

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

Monday, March 30, 2015

6:00 p.m.

Andover Central Park Lodge

Minutes

Members present:

Mayor Ben Lawrence, City Council Members Caroline Hale, Clark Nelson, Sheri Geisler (arrived at 6:15), Kris Estes, Byron Stout IV (arrived at 6:25 and left at 7:15), and Troy Tabor.

Others in attendance:

City Administrator Mark Detter, Director of Public Works and Community Development Les Mangus, City Clerk Susan Renner, Chief Financial Officer Donna Davis, Police Chief Michael Keller, Assistant City Administrator Jennifer McCausland, Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Robert Mayer, and Management Intern Zahra Ehtisham..

Guests: n/a

Mayor Ben Lawrence called the meeting to order at 6:05p.m.

Central Park Lodge door and window replacements

Robert Mayer explained that the windows and doors are original from when the property was purchased from the Girl Scouts in 1998. Windows, doors, frames, thresholds, weather stripping, etc. will all be replaced with energy efficient glass. There has been some damage to the building from leaking and possible termite damage. The extent of any damage would not be known until the project starts removal. There is money in the budget for contingency if in fact there are issues.

This item is on the agenda for consideration March 31.

Drug screening

Jennifer McCausland explained the cost difference in the proposed and the current drug/alcohol testing of employees for new hire, accident or random testing. She stated 99% of the tests are reported back to staff as negative. She added if this test were to come back positive the current type of testing would be used to confirm.

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Westar overheard utility/underground burial

Mark Detter explained the City has the opportunity to bury certain power lines on Andover Road at a cost that would be shared with Westar. It is necessary for Westar to upgrade some of their transmission lines and they are willing to contribute to the cost to bury. The burial of power lines

was seen by Andover Envisioning and the Comprehensive Development Plan as desirable for the community. Mr. Detter also explained possible ways to pay for a project.

Tax credit housing (Manske)

Mark Detter provided information regarding a request by Manske & Associates, Wichita, to sponsor a resolution stating the City would allow tax credit housing projects inside the City. The Manske's can then apply for a tax credit through the State of Kansas Housing Resources Corporation. The City would not be granting any tax credits or abatements.

The housing would be located on the property south of Kansasland on Andover Road. The plan is affordable housing for seniors, fifty-five (55) and older, with approximately 1,000 sq. ft., two bedroom town homes, modern features, single car garage, landscaping and maintenance included in the rent.

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Bond and interest fund review

Mark Detter reviewed the bond and interest fund.

Governing body priorities and budget calendar

Mark Detter covered the timelines and budgeting process for the 2016 budget. The first budget workshop will be May 11.

A motion was made by Council Member Troy Tabor, seconded by Council Member Kris Estes at 7:25 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully Submitted by

Susan Renner

City Clerk

Approved this 14th day of April, 2015, by the City Council, City of Andover, Kansas.