

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING

Monday, June 28, 2010

7:00 pm

Andover Central Park Lodge

Minutes

Members Present:

Mayor Ben Lawrence, City Council Members Caroline Hale, J.R. Jessen, Clark Nelson, Sheri Geisler, and Dave Tingley. Council Member Julie Reams was not in attendance.

Members Present

Others in attendance:

City Administrator Sasha Stiles, Director of Public Works and Community Development Les Mangus, Assistant City Administrator Jennifer McCausland, City Clerk Susan Renner and Director of Communications/IT Bill Duggan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Lawrence.

Call to Order

Bill Duggan presented information regarding an idea to use one of the sidewalks at the new city hall to memorialize past Mayors, Council, Planning Commission, and Site Plan Review Committee members who had long term service to the city.

Brick sidewalk at new city hall

The Council concurred it was a wonderful idea but not a good time cost wise and could possibly be implemented at a later date.

Bill Duggan requested to waive the bid process for the telephone and computer network system at the new city hall. Mr. Duggan explained although each system offers the same features it is how the system is administered that is significantly different. He added for the computer system he would like to continue working with our current IT support vendor who has also provided the consulting with the architects.

Bid process

The Council concurred they did not want to waive the bid process for either the phone or computer system.

Council Member Hale stated she has worked on the letter to go with the sewer bill mailing and has been responding to the many emails.

Sales tax campaign update

Council Member Geisler stated the Town Hall meeting on June 24 had gone well.

Council Member Nelson stated he had met with the attorney for Flint Hills National homeowners association. He has also met with some vocal objectors from Terradyne.

Mayor Lawrence stated he has not heard from any of the business community.

Sasha Stiles stated the Chamber of Commerce has been working with them.

Council Member Tingley stated he has spoke to about 150 people and all but a handful are o.k. with the sales tax. The biggest issue seemed to be that it is a 35% increase in the sales tax.

Mayor Lawrence stated there is always going to be something as long as we are growing. We have proven the sales tax works and use it only when necessary.

Mayor Lawrence stated the plaza project is a segue between the library and city hall and eventually works into the scheme of the park plan. The cost is already in the numbers and it does not include the roundabout. Plaza with city hall project

The Council concurred to proceed with the construction documents.

A motion was made by Council Member Hale, seconded by Council Member Geisler, at 7:51 p.m. to go into an executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Motion carried 5/0 Executive session personnel

A motion was made by Council Member Hale, seconded by Council Member Geisler, at 8:10 p.m. to come out of the executive session and adjourn. Motion carried 5/0. Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted by

Susan Renner
City Clerk

Approved this 13th day of July, 2010 by the City Council, City of Andover.