

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING
Monday, October 24, 2011
7:00 p.m.
Andover Central Park Lodge
Minutes

Members present:

Mayor Ben Lawrence, City Council Members Caroline Hale, Clark Nelson, Sheri Geisler, Dave Tingley, Byron Stout IV, and Troy Tabor.

Others in attendance:

City Administrator Sasha Stiles, Director of Public Works and Community Development Les Mangus, Administrative Services Director Donna Davis, City Bond Counsel J.T. Klaus, Triplett Woolf & Garretson, City Engineer Mike Thompson, Poe & Associates, and City Clerk Susan Renner.

Guests:

Bill King, Benton, Kansas

Mayor Ben Lawrence called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Mayor Lawrence moved agenda item D to the first item of the meeting.

21st Street Median (west of Andover Road)

Bill King has requested a painted median to allow for ingress and egress for westbound traffic on 21st Street of the property located on the southwest corner of 21st and Andover Road. He believes without a southbound turn the business at that corner will suffer. He added the raised medians could be added at a time when the traffic necessitates.

Mike Thompson stated there have been discussions with City staff and Bill King regarding the raised median on 21st Street at Andover Road. Mr. Thompson explained as a last resort compromise the revised plan will extend raised median from Andover Road west to Mr. King's new west most entrance with a west to southbound left turn lane for the entrance, and then the median will be delineated with pavement markings to the Marc Street intersection.

Mayor Lawrence stated the plans were designed by a traffic engineer who based the intersection design on the development of the corridor and the plans have been approved. The store at Kellogg and Andover Road has the same traffic issue and is not suffering. Mayor Lawrence added 80% of this project is being paid for by KDOT, if this is not done now it will be 100% the City's responsibility.

Industrial Park/Superior Landscaping

Mayor Lawrence stated Superior Landscaping, currently outside City limits, has inquired about moving to the Andover Industrial Park. The lot they are looking at is less than desirable with a gas line running through the middle. They are asking for the issuance of industrial revenue bonds and tax abatement to construct the storage necessary for the business. Infrastructure will need to be put in place and the cost is high, and the businesses would pay specials to pay for it. The abatement would help offset that cost.

Mayor Lawrence asked the Council if this is the type of business they would like to have in the industrial park. The Council concurred to take a serious look at the possibilities.

Augusta Airport

Mayor Lawrence stated the City has been approached by the City of Augusta to look at the possibility of a joint project, an industrial park, at the Augusta Airport. The City of Augusta has no way to provide utilities to the location and the City of Andover would have easier access. It would not be in line with current City policies. Mayor Lawrence asked the Council if they would be interested in exploring ideas with the City of Augusta. The Council concurred to continue conversations with the City of Augusta.

Vacations

A motion was made by Council Member Sheri Geisler, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout, to go in to an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel vacations and include the Governing Body, Sasha Stiles, Susan Renner, Les Mangus and Donna Davis. Motion carried 6/0.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheri Geisler, seconded by Council Member Byron Stout, to come out of executive session. Motion carried 6/0.

Staff will present further information regarding non-elected personnel vacation to the Council when it becomes available.

A motion was made by Council Member Troy Tabor, seconded by Council Member Sheri Geisler, at 8:49 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried 6/0