

JOURNAL OF COMMISSION/STAFF AGENDA MEETING

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April 25 2012
3:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Michael Winters, Commissioners Bob Jones, Fred Burow and Mary Jolley. Commissioner Bronson was in Atlanta attending a Healthy Communities Conference.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager, City Manager's Executive Assistant, City Attorney, Chief Prosecutor, Directors of Park and Recreation and Planning and Community Development, City Engineer, and the City Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: *Tribune* reporter Richard Ecke and citizen Ron Gessaman

Work Session Review

City Manager Greg Doyon reported that Rick Tryon, Building Coalition Group, will discuss the results of a survey the group conducted about the Planning and Community Development Department.

The Commissioners briefly discussed Work Session procedures and concluded not to change the status quo of the informal meeting setting.

Agenda Review

Manager Doyon reviewed the proposed agenda topics and department heads discussed agenda report information for the May 1, 2012, Commission Meeting. Additional discussion was provided on the following items:

Item 6 – Ord. 3088, Downtown Urban Renewal Plan: Setting and conducting the public hearing are the last steps in accepting the Plan to implement the TIF District. The Planning Advisory Board found it to be in compliance with the growth policy.

Item 7 – Res. 9965, Malmstrom Air Force Base Joint Land Use Study Final Document: Commissioner Burow expressed concerns about property rights and the opportunity for the public to comment. A discussion followed regarding property rights, zone changes and the public process. The requested action is only to accept the document as complete to continue to be a voice in future planning. No specific recommendations are being made with regard to the numerous options in the report at this time.

Item 12 – Manager Doyon noted that the Gibson Park Concessions agreement may be pulled pending documentation from the concessionaire.

Director Basta noted that he would discuss long term options for the building at Gibson Park during the budget process.

Item 13 – Award Construction Contract for the Centene Park Landscaping Project – Manager Doyon will research and follow up with Mayor Winters about his comments that Centene neglected to take care of the parking lot per a prior unrelated agreement.

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There were no agenda changes suggested by the Commissioners.

Miscellaneous

Commissioners requested the complete title of resolutions and ordinances be added to the agendas.

Mayor Winters discussed a conversation he had about the road to the Montana Eggs facility. Manager Doyon suggested a representative of Montana Eggs contact him or City Engineer Dobbs to discuss the agreement entered into between the City and Montana Eggs regarding grading/paving the road and annexation.

Chief Prosecutor Neil Anthon will attend the May 1st City Commission meeting in Attorney Santoro's absence.

In response to Commissioner Burow's inquiry about Joe Stanek's letter that was in a Friday packet, Manager Doyon pointed out on a map the JLUS study area, and Stanek's and Great Falls Development Authority's project areas; they discussed the challenges, competition of the development entities, the numerous conversations with Stanek, and his litigation against the Great Falls Development Authority regarding an easement.

There being no further discussion, the informal agenda meeting of April 25, 2012 was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.