

FINANCE & LEGAL COMMITTEE
BUILDING, PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
CIVIC CENTER & PROMOTION COMMITTEE
MAY 22, 2007

Present: Mayor Liechty, Council Members Grabinger, Parisien and Schulz, City Attorney Dalsted, Weight, Wollan, Horgan, Sveum, Reuther and Fuchs. Absent: Heinrich.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council approve amending the 2007 JSDC Budget to add \$12,154.00 for the payment of real estate taxes and special assessments with the City Share to be \$9,723.20 and paid from the City Sales Tax Fund. Seconded by Parisien. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Grabinger moved to place on the City Council agenda, without recommendation, authorization of a Debt Subordination Agreement for Ringdahl, Inc., on behalf of Security State Bank of Fergus Falls. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Parisien moved to recommend the City Council authorize the Buffalo City Tourism Foundation to proceed with the refurbishment process for the World's Largest Buffalo through the use of the Hampton Grant. Seconded by Grabinger. Motion and second were withdrawn.

Parisien moved to place on the City Council agenda, without recommendation, for the Buffalo City Tourism Foundation to proceed with the refurbishment process for the World's Largest Buffalo through the use of the Hampton Grant. Seconded by Grabinger. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Discussion was held relative to the request of Merrill Lewis to clarify the City's intent relative to the alleyway to his subject property. It was determined that Mr. Lewis would need to submit an engineered plan for the City Engineer's approval for development of the roadway.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council grant the request of the Wonder Bar for a permit to conduct a street dance on 2nd Street SW on July 20, 2007. Seconded by Parisien. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council approve the request from Richard Lord, Northland Estates, to lease a 50' X 150' section of City right-of-way adjacent to Northland Estates, for an annual fee of \$100.00.

Gene Johnson appeared to inform the committee that Gerdau Ameristeel has included in its 2007 Budget \$300,000.00 for construction of a rail spur adjacent to their property for the loading of scrap from their facility.

General discussion was held relative to the general conditions and the plans being made to prepare the Frontier Village Site for the season opening on Memorial Day weekend. General consensus was for the City Attorney to work with the Frontier Village Board to prepare an up-to-date lease agreement between the Board and the City for the Frontier Village property.

Grabinger moved to approve the job description for a Utility Operations Director and to authorize advertising for the position. Seconded by Parisien. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council approve the plat of Diamond Acres Fifth Addition. Seconded by Parisien. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Parisien moved to recommend the City Council approve the plat of Nikita Estates. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council approve the plat of Leapaldt Second Addition. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Parisien moved to table the proposal from SRF Consulting relative to a Jamestown Quiet Zone Assessment until the June committee meeting in order to continue researching the proposal. Seconded by Grabinger. Voice vote showed: 3 ayes, 1 nay (Liechty). Motion carried.

Weight reported to the committee that he has been in discussion with the owner of the Ranch House Motel relative to the annex that was damaged due to fire. The owner indicated that he intends to refurbish the building. Discussion was held as to whether the City should consider the adoption of an ordinance regulating the time allowed to make repairs to damaged structures.

Schulz moved to have the Mayor appoint a seven member committee to prepare a five (5) year and ten (10) year Long Range Plan for the City of Jamestown, with a Final Report to be delivered to the City Council by May 1, 2008. Seconded by Parisien. Voice vote showed: 3 ayes, 1 nay (Liechty). Motion carried.

Grabinger moved to recommend the City Council approve the Request for Proposals for Full Management Services at the Civic Center, as amended. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Informational:

1. Monthly and Quarterly financial and departmental reports.
2. Minutes of the May 14, 2007, Planning Commission.

Jeff Fuchs
City Administrator