

Finance & Legal Committee
Building, Planning & Zoning Committee
Civic Center & Promotion Committee

October 20, 2009

Present: Schulz, Nygaard, Liechty, Kourajian, Dalsted, Wollan, Reuther, Fosse, Weight, Sveum and Fuchs.
Absent: Parisien and Schwartzkopf.

Nygaard moved to recommend the City Council approve the request from JSDC for \$3,000 from Economic Development Funds to conduct a Community Labor Availability Study with the City Share to be \$2,400 and paid from the City Sales Tax Fund. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council approve the application for abatement received from Richard and Jean Seekins for a reduction in the 2009 property valuation on Lots 12 & 13, Lubeck's First Addition, by reducing the valuation from \$73,800 to \$69,500. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Liechty moved to recommend the City Council approve the request from the Jamestown Fine Arts Association to have the City of Jamestown act as the Project Sponsor to make application to the NDDOT for a Transportation Enhancement Grant for development of the Arts Park in downtown. Seconded by Kourajian. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Nygaard moved to recommend the City Council approve pension plan amendments to the City of Jamestown Employees Pension Plan to continue the plan's compliance with the final regulations under Internal Revenue Code Section 415. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Liechty moved to recommend the City Council introduce the First Reading of an ordinance to renew the telecommunication franchise to Daktel Communications, LLC. Seconded by Nygaard. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Nygaard moved to authorize a salary adjustment for City Engineer Reed Schwartzkopf effective November 1, 2009, from Step 4, Range 55 to Step 6, Range 55, based upon the one year anniversary Employee Performance Review. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Nygaard moved to table making a determination of payment to private property owners for damages caused as a result of the installation and removal of levees performed under contract with the US Army Corp of Engineers until such time as reimbursements to the City from FEMA are known. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Liechty moved to recommend the City Council take action to place on the ballot at a city election to be held within the required length of time, the allocation of 1/2 of the 1 percent sales tax presently collected for economic development to be used for necessary infrastructure related issues in the City of Jamestown now and in the future. Seconded by Kourajian.

Liechty and Kourajian withdrew the motion and second.

Liechty moved to recommend the City Council take action to place on the ballot at the June 8, 2010, City Election, the allocation of 1/2 of the 1 percent sales tax presently collected for economic development to be used for necessary infrastructure related issues in the City of Jamestown now and in the future. Seconded by Kourajian. Voice vote showed: 2 ayes (Liechty, Kourajian), 2 nays (Schulz, Nygaard). Motion Failed.

Nygaard moved to recommend the City Council accept the 2009 City of Jamestown audit report as prepared by Schauer & Associates, PC. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council enter into a five (5) year agreement with Midwest Coca Cola Bottling Co. for soft drink vending at the Jamestown Civic Center concessions and vending machines and soft drink advertising within the facility. Seconded by Liechty. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Fosse informed the committee of the efforts to establish an Athletic Tournament Committee for the community. She indicated the need for additional support from the restaurants within the community to welcome athletic event participants and fans. The main focus will be on maintaining what we have and building on hospitality to gain additional events.

Informational:

- a) Monthly and quarterly departmental and financial reports.
- b) Planning Commission minutes, October 12, 2009.

Jeff Fuchs
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