

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

September 21, 2010

Present: Andersen, Gumke, Schulz, Nygaard, Dalsted, Reuther, Sveum, Wollan, Weight and Fuchs.

Alden Kollman presented the report from the Jamestown City Local Government Advisory Study Committee and spoke of the committee's endeavors.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council accept the report and thank the members for serving on the committee and for their excellent work in support of city government. Seconded by Andersen. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council accept the offer from Dean & Cynthia Schlaht to purchase Lot 3, Block 4, Northwest 5th Addition for \$3,500.00. Seconded by Nygaard. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Committee members requested that information be provided indicating what tax incentives have been provided to other assisted living facilities in the past in order to use this information in considering the application of Brown Bear Properties, LLP, for property tax relief on a project which the applicant will use in the operation of a 35 unit assisted living apartment at 1221 5th Street NE. A public hearing is scheduled for the October 4, 2010, City Council Meeting.

Gumke moved to recommend the City Council accept a Warranty Deed on a portion of Lot 5, Block 3, Auditor's Plat No. 1, to be used as permanent right-of-way, at a purchase price of \$1,350.00, and to approve entering into temporary right-of-way easements for construction purposes, on portions of Lot 18 & 21, Block 3, and Lot 17 & 19, Block 4, Strutz Addition, on the East Business Loop Reconstruction Project. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Taylor Barnes, Jamestown Fine Arts Association, addressed the committee relative to the 2011 Budget request for the association. Mary Jo Stuart indicated the programs provided by the Arts Program directly benefit the school students.

JoDee Rasmussen and Kathy Larsen spoke in support of funding for the Chamber's City Beautification Committee.

Pam Phillips and Dell Horn spoke in support of funding for the Community Service Program.

Kourajian seated himself.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council adjust the 2011 City budget to include \$10,000 for Fire Department equipment, \$5,000 for Fine Arts, \$5,000 to the Community Service Program and \$5,000 to the Chamber City Beautification Committee and to reduce the subsidy to Renaissance Recycling by \$25,000 and to transfer this amount to the General Fund. Seconded by Nygaard. Voice vote showed: 3 ayes, 2 nays (Andersen, Kourajian). Carried.

A public hearing on the proposed change in the Renaissance Zone boundaries is scheduled for the November 1, 2010, City Council meeting.

The second reading of an ordinance to amend and re-enact Section 2-6 of the City Code pertaining to competitive bidding on certain contracts is scheduled for the October 4, 2010, City Council meeting.

A public hearing and second reading on ordinances pertaining to the appropriation of General, Revenue and Special Funds for the fiscal year 2011 is scheduled for the October 4, 2010, City Council meeting.

A public hearing and the second reading of an ordinance to change the zoning of the E75' of Lots 4,5, & 6, Block 61, Klaus Second Addition, from R-2-A (One to Twelve Family Residential to O-S-P (Off Street Parking) is scheduled for the October 4, 2010, City Council meeting.

Andersen informed the committee that her parents owned property adjacent to Lot 1, Block 61, Klaus Second Addition, which is requesting a zone change from R-2-A to C-2. She indicated she has no financial interest in the property owned by her parents. The consensus of the committee members was to allow Andersen to participate in the discussions and to vote on the issue.

Kourajian moved to recommend the City Council introduce the first reading of an ordinance to change the zoning of Lot 1, Block 61, Klaus Second Addition, from R-2-A (One to Twelve Family Residential to C-2 (General Commercial District). Seconded by Gumke. Voice vote showed: 4 ayes, 1 nay (Andersen). Carried.

It was noted that the bid opening for the Civic Center Restroom Renovation Project had been conducted earlier in the day and a number of bids were noted to have irregularities in the bid package. It was determined to hold a Special City Council meeting on September 23, 2010, at 11:30 AM to consider the unopened bids.

Nygaard reported that he had met with the Civic Center Director and City Administrator to discuss the electrical recommendations from Prairie Engineering on the Civic Center. The electrical considerations and opinion of probable cost for these improvements will be on the October Committee agenda for review and discussion.

Jeff Fuchs, City Administrator