

Finance & Legal Committee
Building, Planning & Zoning Committee
Civic Center & Promotion Committee
Fire & Police Committee
Public Works Committee
September 20, 2011

Present: Andersen, Gumke, Kourajian, Schulz, Nygaard, Dalsted, Sveum, Reuther, Suko, Weight, Sad, Wollan, Donegan, Mayhew and Fuchs.

Harold Newman, from Newman Signs, appeared to discuss renewal of the lease which allows certain billboards to be placed on City property. He requested a 15 year renewal for the existing signs. The City Administrator and City Attorney will work with Newman Signs to develop a draft lease agreement to include locations, care of shelters beneath certain signs and other considerations and place the proposed lease on the October committee agenda.

City Attorney Dalsted informed the committee that Clarice Liechty would need to file a new request and proper notices to the public in order for the City Council to re-consider the vacation of 11th Avenue NE adjacent to Lot 1, Block 1, Leapaltd 2nd Addition, S. 344' of Lot 6, Replat of Block 4, Leapaltd Addition, and Lots 7 & 8, Replat of Lots 7 & 8, Replatted Block 4, Leapaltd Addition, to the City of Jamestown, Stutsman County, North Dakota.

Schulz moved to recommend the City Council approve the request from the JSDC for \$32,200 in Economic Development Funds for dues and funding of the Small Business Development Council, with the City Share to be \$20,286, and paid from the City Sales Tax Fund. Seconded by Nygaard. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Nygaard moved to include in the 2012 City Budget funding in the amount of \$50,000 for the Central Valley Health District. Seconded by Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

City Attorney Dalsted will prepare a draft amendment to City ordinances regarding the prohibition of the use of "Jake Brake's" within the city for presentation at the October committee meeting.

Schulz moved to direct the Street Department to install two additional "No Parking" signs on the east side of 6th Avenue Southwest north of 16th Street. Seconded by Gumke. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

Dalsted reported that he continues to work with the City Engineer to determine if turning movements will be sufficient for the public access route proposed by the owner of S & R Truck Plaza.

Discussion was held relative to requests from residents in the NE requesting yield signs on numerous cross streets in the area. Consensus of the committee was that motorists obeying general right-of-way regulations would be a better alternative to the placement of signs.

Gumke moved to recommend the City Council deny entering into a Grade Crossing Warning Sign Installation Agreement with BNSF Railway Company for the area of 1st Avenue South and 1st Street. Seconded by Andersen. Voice vote showed: 4 ayes, 1 nay (Kourajian), 0 absent. Carried.

The Street Foreman presented the revised Emergency Snow Route map for the area around the former Jamestown Hospital site.

The committee discussed a complaint received relative to trees/shrub and grass maintenance of city property in the area of 4th Avenue/6th Street NE. Consensus of the committee was that this is a natural area within the city

and that maintenance of the area should continue as in the past with limited clearing to prevent erosion of the hillside.

The committee discussed recycling and reiterated that the City plans to study the entire garbage collection process including recycling as part of the approved Strategic Plan for the city.

The Street Foreman informed the committee that the City backhoe has been used to clean out a number of storm drain areas along Railroad Drive.

Discussion was held by the committee on identification of properties that are letting their sump pumps drain into the sanitary sewer and whether public sentiment is that we need to start fining them. A number of ideas were discussed to improve compliance with the City ordinance; however, it appears that continued education and voluntary compliance are the best solutions at this time.

Discussion was held on the possibility of constructing a road from Wal-Mart past the new hospital. It was reported that the Planning Commission has indicated in the past as to their recommended right-of-way areas would be in the area as it develops; however, at the present time the majority of property is privately owned and outside city limits. In addition, a funding source is currently not available for this type of construction.

Jeff Fuchs
City Administrator