



*MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – HUTCHINSON, KANSAS
MAY 3, 2016
9:00 A.M.*

1. The Governing Body of the City of Hutchinson, Kansas met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 in the City Council Chambers with Mayor Daveline presiding. Councilmembers Dechant, Inskip, Soldner and Piros de Carvalho were present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was recited.
3. The prayer was given by Pastor John Carney of First Church of God. Pastor Carney said Thursday, May 5, 2016 is the National Day of Prayer; and he invited everyone to attend the local prayer breakfast event at 7:00 a.m. at the Cosmosphere.
4. Awards
 - a. Presentation of the Mini MPA plaque. This item was pulled from the agenda; and moved to the May 17, 2016 meeting.
 - b. Fire Department commendations. This item was pulled from the agenda; and moved to the May 17, 2016 meeting.
5. Proclamations
 - a. A Proclamation for Bike Month and Bike to Work Day was accepted by Justin Combs, Director of Parks and Facilities and a member of the Vitality Team. Mr. Combs thanked the council for their support of cycling; and talked about several events being sponsored by the Hutchinson Recreation Commission, the Vitality Team and Harley's Bicycles.
 - b. A Proclamation for Women's Lung Health Week was read by the Mayor. There was no one in attendance to accept the Proclamation.
6. Petitions, Remonstrances and Communications
 - a. Consumer Confidence Report on City water system. Don Koci, Superintendent of Water Treatment Systems, spoke. An overview of the report was given. Mr. Koci said the City had no violations in 2015; and none to date in 2016. Discussion ensued.

- b. Oral communications from the audience. (Please limit your remarks to five (5) minutes and to items NOT on the agenda.)

Maxine Julien, 37 Rambler Road, said she is a landlord in the City; and on Friday, April 22, 2016 she received a nuisance violation in the mail regarding a brush pile located on a property which is on the City's no-inspect list. She said this brush pile was created to keep neighbors from driving across the yard as the alley is not drivable. Ms. Julien said the pile has been removed. Ms. Julien said she believes the City is going to pick on landlords that signed a petition opposing the Rental Inspection Program. Councilmember Piros de Carvalho said she appreciates her opinion; and asked where the alley is located. Ms. Julien said it is behind 1631 East 4th; and the alley has a lot of deep holes which are made worse by the rain.

Rod Zook, 120 West 18th, said Match Day, sponsored by the Hutchinson Community Foundation, is being held at Eagle Media today. Mr. Zook said their goal is to raise \$300,000.00; and this is a great opportunity to give back.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of April 19, 2016 City Council meeting.
- b. Approval of contract with Hutchinson Symphony Association for 2016 subsidy.
- c. Approval of contract with Hutchinson Theatre Guild for 2016 subsidy.
- d. Approval of Addendum to Contract No. 2006 C 58 with Luminous Neon.
- e. Approval of appointment to the ADA Advisory Board of Sky Templeton, 27 Lazy Lane, to a first three-year term from 5/01/2016 through 5/01/2019.
- f. Approval of appropriation ordinance in the amount of \$2,342,286.50.

Motion by Councilmember Dechant, second by Councilmember Inskeep to approve the Consent Agenda and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Ordinances and Resolutions

- a. Consider Resolution setting time for public hearing on the condemnation of unsafe and dangerous structures. Trent Maxwell, Building Official, spoke. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Piros de Carvalho asked if all of the properties are unoccupied; and Mr. Maxwell said they were. He said he has talked with 10 of the property owners; and that notices have been sent out to everyone. Councilmember Soldner asked if real estate taxes were current on the properties. Mr. Maxwell said some have been delinquent for years; and others are current. Additional discussion ensued regarding costs of demolition.

Motion by Councilmember Dechant, second by Councilmember Soldner, to approve Resolution 2016 R 15 fixing the time and place and providing for notice of a hearing before the Governing Body of the City of Hutchinson, Kansas, at which time the owners, their agents, lienholders of record and occupants of the structures located in said City hereinafter described may appear and show just cause why such structures should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished as dangerous or unsafe structures; and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Consider Resolution approving establishment of a Rural Housing Incentive District for Phase 2 of Ashton Estates. Amy Denker, Housing Program Coordinator, spoke. Discussion ensued.

Motion by Councilmember Inskeep, second by Councilmember Piros de Carvalho to approve the recommendation of the Housing Commission to pass Resolution 2016 R 16 making certain findings and determinations as to the need for housing within the City of Hutchinson, Kansas and setting forth the legal description of real property proposed to be designated as a Rural Housing Incentive District within the City; and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion passed unanimously.

9. New Business

a. Consider Letter of Commitment approving financial incentives for National Credit Adjusters. John Deardoff, City Manager, spoke. Mr. Deardoff said NCA currently employs approximately 130 individuals; and they are increasing this by adding 100 new employees. Mayor Daveline asked about the history of the company.

Kim Wilson, Director of Human Resources, said the company has grown from 30 employees in 2002 to approximately 150 today. She said they have expanded, with offices in Ottawa, and two locations in Arizona. Ms. Wilson said they buy debt; and then collect on that debt. Additional discussion ensued regarding salaries, etc.

Jason Ball with the Chamber of Commerce said this is an opportunity he likes. He said you already have a successful local company that is nearly doubling in size in the community. The new jobs will lead to more people eating out, taking advantage of various entertainment venues in the City, etc.

Motion by Councilmember Dechant, second by Councilmember Inskeep, to approve the Letter of Commitment approving financial incentives to NCA for reported job growth with the Hutchinson, Kansas facility; and authorize the Mayor to sign. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Consider Contract with Shockey Consulting for Comprehensive Plan. Casey Jones, Senior Planner, spoke. Mr. Jones said the last comprehensive plan was adopted 11 years ago; and they haven't been able to update the plan because they have had so many other projects. He said staff will be doing the bulk of the writing of this

comprehensive plan. He said an RFP was sent out in March for the public engagement component; and only two proposals were received. Mr. Jones said they are also asking that two councilmembers be on the steering committee. Councilmember Piros de Carvalho said she is impressed with the public engagement design template; and said the public engagement piece is the most critical. She said she also likes the combination of using two consultants. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Dechant asked about possible further public engagement meetings. Mr. Jones said the amount budgeted may not have been adequate for the number of meeting they want to hold; and that may have been reflected in the lack of proposals received. He said Shockey Consulting will hold two public meetings and five stakeholder interviews. Mr. Jones said they wanted more interaction with the public; and this is where Fisher Coaching would come in.

Ron Fisher of Fisher Coaching, spoke. He said the City is asking him to be a public face for the community. He said he will attend the Shockey meeting, get a sense of what they have found works; and then begin making calls to schools, Third Thursday events, Young Professionals, Rotary, etc. Mr. Fisher said he will be the face to face conduit; and looks forward to the adventure. Additional discussion ensued.

Councilmember Soldner said she was involved in the last comprehensive plan; and is looking forward to getting started on the new one. Mayor Daveline said that brings him to the appointment of two councilmembers to serve on the Steering Committee. Councilmember Soldner said she wants to be on the committee; and Councilmember Piros de Carvalho said he also has an interest in being on the committee.

Motion by Councilmember Piros de Carvalho, second by Councilmember Inskip, to approve the recommendation of staff to award a contract for consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 to Shockey Consulting, LLC to conduct public engagement and graphic artist services in support of the 2017-2037 City of Hutchinson Comprehensive Plan; and to appoint Councilmembers Soldner and Piros de Carvalho to the Steering Committee for Plan preparation; and authorize the Mayor to sign the contract. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Consider award of consultant contract to Fisher Coaching for local public engagement services.

Motion by Councilmember Inskip, second by Councilmember Soldner, to approve the recommendation of staff to award a contract for consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 to Ron Fisher d/b/a Fisher Coaching to conduct local public engagement services in support of the 2017-2037 City of Hutchinson Comprehensive Plan; and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Report of City Officials

a. Council

- Councilmember Solder said she went to the Match Day event shortly after 8:00 a.m.; and they had already raised \$28,000.00.
- Councilmember Dechant had no comments.
- Councilmember Inskeep said he thought every day was Bike to Work Day. He encouraged people to come look at the exterior renovations to City Hall.
- Councilmember Piros de Carvalho also encouraged everyone to attend Match Day.
- Mayor Daveline had no comments.

b. City Manager

Mr. Deardoff said the Sports Arena Building Committee will meet on May 5, 2016. He said bid package 3 opens today. Mr. Deardoff also said concrete walls should be going up on the north side of the arena by the end of the week.

Mr. Deardoff said when a bill is in the legislature it is sometimes hard to find what happens to it. He said the rental registration program issue was attached to another bill and did pass. Mr. Deardoff said staff will meet later this week to determine how it affects our program. Discussion ensued.

12. Adjournment

Motion by Councilmember Dechant, second by Councilmember Inskeep, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.