



CITY OF IOWA CITY MEMORANDUM

Date: March 1, 2010

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Marian K. Karr, City Clerk

Re: Council Work Session, March 1, 2010, 6:55 PM in Emma J. Harvat Hall

Council: Bailey, Champion, Dickens, Hayek, Mims, Wilburn, Wright

UISG Rep: Shipley

Staff: Helling, Dilkes, Fosse, Karr, O'Brien, Moran, Elias, Morris, Long, Davidson, Hightshoe, Lewis, Rackis, Hart

(A complete transcription is available in the City Clerk's Office and the City website)

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

Airport Commission – Steve Crane

Civil Service Commission – reappoint Lyra Dickerson

Historic Preservation Commission

 Brown St. rep – Kent Ackerson

 Summit St. rep. – reappoint William Downing

 At Large – reappoint Alicia Trimble

Police Citizens Review Board – Royceann Porter

Telecommunications Commission – reappoint Hans Hoerschelman

AGENDA ITEMS

1. (Item # 21 – resolution adopting an unsuccessful or delayed projects policy for CDBG and HOME projects and rescinding Resolution No. 46-68) Community Development Planner Hightshoe present for discussion.
2. (Item # 10 – public hearing Resolution approving plans, specifications, East Side Recycling Center Project) In response to Interim City Manager Helling, there were no questions for Architectural Services Staffer Morris or Wastewater Division Supt. Elias.
3. (Items # 14 – Resolution adopting the annual budget ... # 15 resolution approving the three-year financial plan ...) Mayor Hayek requested a mid year budget status report from the Finance Director be added to the pending list.
4. (Items # 7 – resolution approving the Iowa City Housing Authority's Five (5) year Plan ... and annual plan; # 8 – adopting the amended Iowa City Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) administrative plan; # 9 – resolution adopting the amended Iowa City Housing Authority Public Housing Admissions and continued occupancy policy (ACOP) ...) Housing Administrator Rackis responded to questions from Council Member Mims.
5. (Item # 25 – resolution adopting assessment schedule) In response to Council Member Wilburn, Interim City Manager Helling stated staff would be in attendance at the formal

meeting for questions. City Clerk Karr noted additional correspondence would be distributed at the formal meeting.

6. (Item # 22 – resolution ... establishing a public art program ... set a new annual allocation of \$14,750 for public art) PCD Dir. Davidson clarified that carry over monies provided for three years of operation, and this resolution follows earlier Council direction on funding.

FARMERS MARKET – PARKS & REC COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS [Agenda #16]

Parks & Rec. Dir. Moran present for discussion. Majority agreed to proceed as outlined.

MULTI-USE PARKING FACILITY – FORMER ST. PAT’S PARISH HALL SITE [Agenda #26]

PCD Dir. Davidson and City Atty. Dilkes presented information. Majority agreed to proceed as outlined.

INCLUSIONARY ZONING AND SCATTERED SITE HOUSING [IP#3]

PCD Dir. Davidson, Community Development Coordinator Long, Housing Administrator Rackis and City Atty. Dilkes presented information. After discussion there was not a majority interested in further discussion of mandatory inclusionary zoning. A majority did agree that the JCCOG Affordable Housing Committee should discuss an affordable housing policy on a regional basis; and requested a map of Section 8 voucher locations.

STAFF ACTION: Summary memo, with attached 2005 Scattered Site Task Force Final Report, included in the March 4 information packet. (Davidson)

PROPOSED AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING SITE 2500 MUSCATINE AVE [IP#4]

Community Development Coordinator Long and Community Development Planner Hightshoe presented a power point (archived with City Clerk) and facilitated discussion. The Housing Fellowship representative Maryann Dennis responded to questions. A majority (Champion, Dickens, Mims, Hayek) denied the request to locate on the site with CDBG and/or HOME funds.

INFORMATION PACKET DISCUSSION [Feb 18 & 25]

None

COUNCIL TIME

1. In response to Council Member Wright, a majority agreed to add a review of taxicab regulations to the pending list.
2. In response to Council Member Mims, a majority agreed to add discussion of ECICOG funding proposal to the Council work session of March 22.
3. Council Member Wright stated he had received an email regarding the designation of Longfellow Neighborhood as one of the best old house neighborhoods by This Old House magazine. Mayor Hayek noted he had also received the email and a memo will be in the next information packet.

4. In response to Mayor Hayek, a majority of Council agreed to place discussion on the work session of March 22, and first reading on the March 23 formal agenda, of a 21 bar entry age.

BUDGET PRIORITIES

None

SUMMARY OF PENDING WORK SESSION ISSUES [IP#5]

Majority agreed to add "City Boards/Commissions – number, function, and gender balance" to the pending list.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS/COUNCIL INVITATIONS

Council Member Mims expressed an interest in attending "Teaching the Levees" (IP10 of 2/25 Info Packet) on March 4.

DISCUSSION OF MEETING SCHEDULES

None

Meeting adjourned 9:35 PM.