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AURORA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers

Monday, April 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Marks called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGE AND PRAYER:

Councilman Ramirez led the council in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL: Mayor David L. Marks

Councilman Steve Ramirez

Chairman Pro Tem Linda Barton

Councilwoman Lisa Rentfro

Councilwoman Rosemary Henderson

All council members were noted present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Special Session held on April 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to approve the minutes from the special session held on April 14th at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion.

Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Marks, Ramirez, Rentfro, Barton

NAYES: 0

Regular Session held on April 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the minutes from the regular session held on April 14th at 7:00 p.m. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion.

Motion passed with the following council members voting aye on the motion:

AYES: Rentfro, Henderson, Barton, Ramirez, Marks

NAYES: 0

V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for April

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the appropriations for April as submitted.

Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye;

AYES: Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Rentfro

NAYES: 0

ABSTAIN: Barton (Had bill in the bill list for payment)

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Everett Kelly, State Commander for the Military Order of the Purple Heart Department of Missouri presented Mayor Marks with a plaque of appreciation for becoming a Purple Heart City.

VII. COUNCIL FORUM

Councilwoman Rentfro stated she would like to have another work shop for reviewing personnel codes. Councilman Ramirez stated he would be gone May 10th to the 18th.

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VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2014-2986*
An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute the voluntary annexation petition extending the city limits to include unincorporated real property into the City of Aurora, Missouri

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2014-2986. Councilwoman Rentfro seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye on the motion:

AYES: Rentfro, Henderson, Marks, Ramirez, Barton
NAYES: 0

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. *Proclamation "Proclaiming the City of Aurora as a Purple Heart City"*
a) John Dismar, Adjutant MOPH Department of MO will be here to present plaque to Mayor
City Clerk Needham read the proclamation aloud.

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the proclamation proclaiming Aurora as a Purple Heart City. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Marks, Ramirez, Barton, Rentfro, Henderson
NAYES: 0

- B. *Marshall Decker of Decker and DeGood will be here to do 2013 audit presentation*

Auditor Marshall Decker of Decker and DeGood delivered the 2013 audit stating the city's performance was impeccable and better than most. Adequate balances are kept in reserve and city staff is very cognizant of good accounting principles and strictly adhere to them. The city was noted in very stable condition.

No notable findings were reported.

- C. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2988*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri, amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", by adding Section 130.800 "Lactation/Breastfeeding Policy", to the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to table Items C and F thru L to be taken up in a future workshop. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye on the motion:

AYES: Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Rentfro, Barton
NAYES: 0

- D. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2990*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Article VI "Maple Park Cemetery", Chapter 140.530 "Concrete Casket Boxes Required" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

City Code states that in the case of an indigent burial the city would be responsible for the cost of a concrete vault. Recently an invoice had been received from a local funeral home for this cost. City Manager Randall had contacted a local funeral home to find there was no state law that required a concrete vault. Council decided to eliminate this provision in the code.

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Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2014-2990. Chairman Pro Tem Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye on the motion:

AYES: Ramirez, Henderson, Barton, Rentfro, Marks

NAYES: 0

E. *Resolution No. 2014-1327*

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute all documents with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Revolving Fund Program for loans under the Missouri Water Law (Section 644, RSMo).

Chairman Pre Tem Barton moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1327 authoring the Mayor to execute all documents in regards to the Wastewater DNR Grant. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Rentfro, Barton, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

F. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2991*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code" Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 1 "generally" Section 130.070 "Purpose" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

G. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2992*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 3 "Recruitment, Selection, Placement", Section 130.230 "Qualifications for Employment of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

H. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2993*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 3 "Recruitment, Selection, Placement", Section 130.250 "Probation Period" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

I. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2994*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 4 "Compensation" Section 130.320 "Paydays" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

J. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2995*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 4 "Compensation" Section 130.340 "Overtime" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

K. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2996*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 4 "Compensation" Section 130.430 "Vacations" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

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Tabled

- L. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2997*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title I "Government Code", Chapter 130 "Personnel", Article IV "Personnel Policies", Division 4 "Compensation" Section 130.440 "Sick Leave" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Tabled

- M. *Resolution No. 2014-1328*
A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, correcting the legal description on Ordinance No. 2014-2987

This resolution will change the legal description previously described in Ordinance No. 2014-2987.

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1328. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye on the motion:

AYES: Ramirez, Rentfro, Barton, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

- N. *Resolution No. 2014-1329*
A Resolution appointing membership to the Aurora Municipal Airport (Werner)

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1329 which appoints Richard Werner to the Airport Board. Chairman Pro Tem Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Barton, Marks, Ramirez, Henderson, Rentfro

NAYES: 0

- O. *Discussion/Approval-the Airport Board is recommending the Fire Department be approved to salvage 2 breaker boxes and a yard light from the Ruble property*

Fire Chief Ward requested to salvage two breaker boxes and a yard light from the Ruble property before the house is demolished. The Airport Board is recommending to city council to approve the request.

Councilwoman Rentfro made the motion to allow the Fire Department to salvage the two breakers and yard light from the Ruble property. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Rentfro, Ramirez, Barton, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

- P. *First Reading of Bill No. 2014-2998*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title II "Health Safety and Welfare" by adding Chapter 242 "Title VI Policy" to the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Adoption of this policy is mandatory through the Federal grant provisions of the wastewater grant. The purpose of the policy is to establish how the city will communicate with non-English speaking people.

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Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2014-2998. Councilwoman Rentfro seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Rentfro, Barton

NAYES: 0

*Q. Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2014-2998 making Ordinance No. 2014-2998
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending Title II "Health Safety and Welfare"
by adding Chapter 242 "Title VI Policy" to the Municipal Code of Ordinances*

Councilwoman Rentfro moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2014-2998. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Barton, Rentfro, Ramirez, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

X. REPORTS

A. Board Liaison Reports

Airport Board

Met last week and approved Richard Werner's board appointment and approved a resignation from James Hoenschell leaving a non-resident vacancy on the board. Discussed the damaged hangar and what needed to be done to repair it. Donna will be checking to see if there is any emergency funding to assist with repairs.

Park Board

President Pettit wanted to know who the go to grant person was at city hall. City Manager Randall explained that grant writing was more comprehensive and was a collaborative effort. There was no one person at city hall that was in charge of writing a grant. Grants are generally established through the department initiating them. According to City Manager Randall it's not just free money it also brings on a lot of obligations onto the city which shouldn't be taken lightly. It was established that grants take a lot of time and effort and cannot be submitted in a week's time. It was determined that if someone was interested in a grant they should contact the City Manager.

B. City Attorney Report

No report.

C. City Manager Report

City Manager Randall reported on the following items:

- Trent White, Building Inspector is working with Steve Woods, Public Works Superintendent to fix an awning at the Airport.
- Council meeting scheduled for May 26th will be moved to May 28th to allow employees to have Memorial Day off.
- A property owner on the list for house demolition through the Building Board of Appeals has two homes. She wants to donate one of them to the city. The one she wants to donate has a \$4,800 siding lien on it. City Manager Randall has checked out the bank which is no longer in business. The property has some taxes owed but not a substantial amount. City Attorney Petrus stated she needed to sign a contract stating her donation and the city will hold it long enough to get a quiet title on it.

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XI. QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

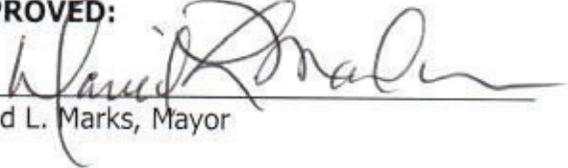
Doris Colwell inquired how long the city was going to allow the burned out property across from the greenhouse to go without enforcing cleanup. Chairman Pro Tem Barton stated a dumpster had been set today. In terms of condemning the property it would have to go through the same arduous process that all the other homes are going through starting with a public hearing.

Heidi Ryan stated that the Trail Committee never authorized the \$20,000 donation toward Phase II of the Walking Trails as was previously stated. City Manager Randall stated that the grant will obligate the Park Board for the funds should the donation not come through. President Pettit clarified that the committee's intent was to help with every phase of the project.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

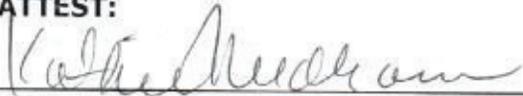
Councilwoman Rentfro moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

APPROVED:



David L. Marks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kathie Needham, City Clerk, MMC/MPCC

Posted April 25, 2014 by Kathie Needham, City Clerk