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AURORA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers

Monday, April 14, 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:

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were not done.

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:

Minutes were previously approved in the 6:00 p.m. session.

V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for March/April

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the appropriations for March/April as submitted. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Rentfro

NAYES: 0

ABSTAIN: Barton (Had a bill for payment in the bill listing)

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

VII. COUNCIL FORUM

No comment.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution No. 2014-1315

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri approving the request from Paul Ward for the construction of an accessory building in excess of 900 sq. ft. at 2 East Plumb Street

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1315 approving the construction of an accessory building in excess of 900 sq. ft. Councilwoman Rentfro seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Barton, Rentfro, Ramirez, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

B. Resolution No. 2014-1324

A Resolution approving specified items for disposal

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Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1324 authorizing the disposal of property as listed in "Exhibit A". Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Barton, Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Rentfro

NAYES: 0

C. *Resolution No. 2014-1325*

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Briggs/Fulp LLC

Council previously approved installing the sewer line to the Briggs/Fulp property line in return for them annexing their property into the city limits.

Councilwoman Rentfro moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1325.

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

AYES: Rentfro, Henderson, Marks, Barton

NAYES: Ramirez

D. *First 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

Upon final passage this ordinance will annex the Briggs/Fulp property into the city limits. Council previously approved putting the city sewer line to their property in return for them annexing their property into the city limits.

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

AYES: Marks, Ramirez, Barton, Rentfro, Henderson

NAYES: 0

E. *Resolution No. 2014-1326*

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing the donation of property from the Street Department to the Aurora Rural Fire Department

The Transportation Department identified two old fuel tanks they no longer needed. The Aurora Rural Fire Department would like to have the tanks if the city would approve the donation of them.

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1326 approving the donation of the two fuel tanks to the Aurora Rural Fire Department. Chairman Pro Tem Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Barton, Henderson, Rentfro, Marks

NAYES: 0

F. *Review letter from park board committing funds for Phase II of the trails grant*

Theresa Pettit, Park Board President reported the trails committee previously committed \$15,000 to Phase I of the trail and she was happy to report they will be furnishing \$20,000 toward the project which will leave them an additional \$30,000 to support further trail development.

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The City Manager had been asked to write a letter of commitment on behalf of the park board stating they had enough funding for Phase II of the trail. It was noted that the park board has their own funding from taxation and were in control of expending their own funds.

G. Review letter of commitment in support of purchasing items for the splash pad

The park board entered into a fund raiser with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks for water features they wanted to put on the splash pad. They were able to raise approximately \$4,000 and will be adding two new features to the splash pad.

H. Park Board would like Council to consider suggestion of forming a "committee" to focus on the improvements of the Farmers Market

President Pettit discussed with council the problems that have been persisting with the farmers markets over the last several years. She asked council to consider forming a committee to see about moving them to the downtown area and to look at other logistics concerning the markets. The park board will bring back further information for council consideration sometime in June.

I. Resolution No. 2014-1327

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Security Storage for asbestos testing

The Building Board of Appeals has done ten property condemnations and is in the process of doing many more. Once the property has been condemned the next step before demolition is to have each property tested for asbestos. Bids were let on the asbestos testing with Security Storage being low bidder.

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-1327. Chairman Pro Tem Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Rentfro, Henderson, Barton, Ramirez, Marks

NAYES: 0

J. Request form Empire District Electric to change the street light on South and Oak Knoll from a 175w MV to a 150w HPS

Councilwoman Rentfro moved to approve the request from Empire District Electric to change out the street light at South and Oak Knoll. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Rentfro, Barton, Marks, Henderson

NAYES: 0

X. REPORTS

A. Board Liaison Reports

Park Board – Ramirez

- Committees will be appointed to subdivide the park board to help alleviate the president
- Tennis grant – all items have been submitted and still awaiting a response from USTA
- Looking into burying electrical lines with the possibility of installing solar lighting along the trail.

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- The park board is looking at installing doggie waste stations along the trails.
- The park board has applied for a 55% grant from LWCF to assist with lighting in Baldwin Park. The Aurora Alumni will donate \$2,500 toward the project.
- Looking into getting someone to unlock the East Gate at Baldwin Park during activities. Steve Woods is working with crew to get that accomplished.
- Pool- umbrellas installed
- Bob Moffitt is working on user agreements for traveling teams that want to use park facilities.
- Backstop improvements are being made for Babe Ruth
- Ideas were presented for advertising and scoreboard maintenance
- Concert tickets are now on sale. The sale goes for 10 days then it goes nationwide.
- The board is discussing have a work day for park cleanup
- Security cameras will be installed at all parks
- Looking at needing to grind stumps within the park

Solid Waste Management – Doris Colwell

- The board's territory is being cut down from ten districts to five. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held in Galena.

B. *City Attorney Report*

City Attorney Petrus had nothing to report.

C. *City Manager Report*

City Manager Randall reported on the following:

- The Transportation Department just received its new backhoe. First trip down the road the wheel locked up. It has been sent back for repairs.
- The Transportation Department will be receiving its new loader sometime during the second week in May.
- Brush cleanup is ongoing.
- Cold mix is now available and the public works department has been patching holes.
- Randy Naylor has terminated his employment with the city. Applications are being taken for his position.
- Building Board of Appeals will be meeting May 6 due to having to cancel their last meeting due to a lack of a quorum.
- Bids were taken after the Airport Hangar was damaged for the replacement of two posts and cross bracing. The insurance company asked for two bids but only one was received. The bid that was received was from Dennis Lawrence for \$2,900. Since the bid was for less than \$5,000 we will proceed with the repairs. During the bid process we also asked for an alternate bid per post and cross brace. The city will need to determine, if any, what remaining repair they would want to do.
- Police Department is still awaiting their replacement car.
- There are two departmental openings in the police department.

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- Attended Diane May's class at Missouri State University and taught her class in return for updating the city's comprehensive plan.

XI. QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

None.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Pro Tem Barton moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:55 p.m. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

APPROVED:



David L. Marks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kathie Needham, City Clerk, MMC/MPCC