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AURORA CITY COUNCIL TENTATIVE AGENDA
Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers
Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Marks called the meeting to order at 6:30 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

Chairman Pro Tem Rick Boyer

Councilman Steve Ramirez

Councilwoman Linda Barton

Councilwoman Rosemary Henderson

All Council members were noted present.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Session held on October 13, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2015 meeting. Councilwoman Henderson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Boyer, Henderson, Marks, Ramirez, Barton

NAYES: 0

Budget Workshop held on October 20, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve the minutes from the budget workshop held on October 20, 2015. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Marks, Ramirez, Barton, Boyer, Henderson

NAYES: 0

V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for October

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve the appropriations for October. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Boyer, Marks, Barton, Ramirez

NAYES: 0

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chamber Director, Shannon Walker informed the council that two events would be hosted by the Chamber of Commerce in December. On December 11, 2015 a 5k run will be hosted with proceeds going to "Hope for the Holiday". On December 12th the annual Christmas Parade will be held.

VII. COUNCIL FORUM

Councilman Ramirez inquired as to how many tons of leaves are picked up each year. He also asked how many tons of leaves were required to be picked up through the grant

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the city received to purchase the leaf vacuum. City Manager Randall responded that he had spoken to the Public Works Superintendent and was told that approximately 600 tons were collected annually. That is what he had submitted in the grant application. Councilman Ramirez asked if that amount was not collected would the machine have to be sent back. City Manager Randall replied that the \$5,000 received through the grant would have to be returned. He asked for a report stating the amount of tons collected last year. Council discussed that with all the rain last fall the amount of leaves collected would not meet the scheduled guideline. In addition, council had previously decided that the public works employees would no longer collect limbs which significantly would reduce the collection. It was suggested that a schedule should be set up to alert the public on when leaf collection would occur in their neighborhoods.

Council Ramirez also asked for the phone number for the railroad so he could register a complaint with them on the condition of the tracks across Morgan. He had blown a tire and a tie rod going over the tracks. City Manager Randall responded that he had been in contact with MoDot reporting the problem rather than the actual railroad. He referred him to the railroads website where there is a customer service number that he could contact. In addition, he would look into the matter and let him know what contact information he could find.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2015-3043 making Ordinance No. 2015-3043
An Ordinance accepting a Quit Claim Deed for a Special Easement from the Arrowood Beyers
Post 126 American Legion to the City of Aurora*

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2015-3043. This bill will now be known as Ordinance No. 2015-3043.

Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Barton, Henderson, Boyer, Marks

NAYES: 0

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. *First Reading of Bill No. 2015-3044
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri amending the 2015 Budget*

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2015-3044.

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

AYES: Henderson, Marks, Boyer, Barton

NAYES: Ramirez

- B. *Resolution No. 2015-1433 (Darold Farless)
A Resolution appointing membership to the Planning and Zoning Commission*

This comes to council with a positive unanimous recommendation from Planning and Zoning to appoint Darold Farless to fill Heidi Ryans position on the board.

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve Resolution No. 2015-1433 which appoints Darold Farless to the unexpired term of Heidi Ryans. Councilwoman

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

AYES: Ramirez, Henderson, Barton, Boyer, Marks

NAYES: 0

City Clerk Needham administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Farless.

C. *Accept/Deny recommendation from Planning & Zoning for a new street light at 1045 Carol Court*

This item comes from Planning and Zoning Commission with a positive recommendation. The closest light to this street is 290 ft. away. The city has never placed a street light on this street since construction was completed on the subdivision.

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer moved to approve placing a street light at 1045 Carol Court. Councilwoman Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Barton, Henderson, Boyer, Marks, Ramirez

NAYES: 0

D. *Resolution No. 2015-1434*

A Resolution approving specified items for disposal (Fire Department)

Fire Chief Ward requested council to allow him to dispose of the old bunker gear through FFTOB a company in California that cuts apart the gear and makes backpacks, purses etc. from them. They pay for the shipping of the gear. All the department has to do is box the gear up. This idea was presented to Chief Ward through the Fire Chief in West Plains that also utilizes this company. The gear cannot be sold because of the liability it would place on the city. The only thing the department could do would be to cut up the gear and dispose of it through the trash.

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer moved to approve Resolution No. 2015-1434 with the amendment that Chief Ward be allowed to dispose of the gear through FFTOB. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Marks, Ramirez, Boyer, Barton

NAYES: 0

E. *First Reading of Bill No. 2015-3045*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora Missouri amending the Personnel Policy (Chapter 130) Section 130.420 "Holidays"

City Manager Randall was asked to draw up new language with how the city is presently paying holiday pay. City Councilman Ramirez stated this was only for current regular employees and it excluded public safety departments such as police and fire. He asked City Manager Randall to review those departments pay practices concerning holidays and overtime with each Chief and come back to council with his recommendation on what it would cost to revise their pay schedules in regards to FLSA exemptions.

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City Manager Randall stated keep in mind the difference in shift exemptions help hold down cost to the city. The potential exists that if any changes are made it will cost the city more money.

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2015-3045. Councilwoman Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Boyer, Henderson, Barton, Ramirez, Marks

NAYES: 0

F. *First Reading of Bill No. 2015-3046*

An Ordinance of the City of Aurora Missouri amending the Personnel Policy (Chapter 130) Section 130.340 "Overtime Work"

Councilman Ramirez stated that employees that are on call for a week at a time are not presently being compensated. He heard they were required to stay within a certain distance from home. He asked for City Manager to review that and come back with a recommendation.

City Manager Randall stated that he had been working on that. He done some research on FLSA and he cautioned the council to be careful. On call gets very close to the language in FLSA. Situational circumstances can change a scenario very quickly. The more restrictions you put on an individual the more that subjects you to paying for those services. Allowing a person to be a reasonable distance from home is not as restrictive as saying they are not allowed to go to a movie. Council will need to look at this before a decision is made.

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2015-+3046. Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Boyer, Barton, Marks, Henderson.

G. *Discussion/ Vote to host a city wide cleanup day*

Council expressed an interest in wanting more information and wanted to see more detail. City Manager Randall stated that he had previously talked with Jim Doty of Doty Trash Service and had asked public works superintendent Steve Woods to also discuss the possibility of a cleanup with him. Steve reported back that Mr. Doty still was requesting the city to pay for his employees time, feed them and he wanted a letter from the city that he could use as a write off on his taxes. City Manager Randall reiterated that the city's auditor and city attorney both advised that was not legal.

Other vendors were contacted and gave estimated bids on the service. The bid was put together using an estimate of 60 tons or ten containers. Both bidding companies thought the city could get by with 8 containers. The cost would be contingent upon actual tonnage disposed of. The bid also was to place containers at the public works yard that citizen could bring their waste to. Council discussed that some citizens were unable to haul their waste to the public works facility. If a cleanup was to be held council needed to consider a curb pickup.

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City Manager Randall stated the city had been awarded the e-recycling grant through the SWMD. There would be two electronic recycling days one in the spring and one in the fall.

City Councilman Ramirez stated he liked the idea but he would like to put that off until 2016 so council could add the cost in the 2016 budget.

Councilman Ramirez moved to put off the cleanup until sometime in 2016 and to add the cost to the 2016 budget.

X. REPORTS

A. Board Liaison Reports

Airport Board

The Airport Board met last week and approved several Lochner invoices.

SWMD

The city was awarded a grant for two recycling events. Six applications were submitted. Aurora's application came in first for funding.

P&Z

Planning and Zoning met last night however Chairman Pro Tem Boyer was not in attendance.

B. City Attorney Report

City Attorney Reynolds reported that the city would see a decline in revenue after the first of the year from traffic violations due to a change in state statute. It sets a limit of \$300 including court costs per violation.

C. City Manager Report

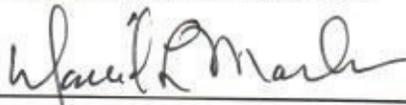
City Manager Randall reported on the following items:

- The Health Fair was held on Oct. 20th and 21st. The agreed upon amount of employees that needed to participate was 46. That quota was just met as several employees called in sick that day. If quota would not have been met the city would have had to pay the out of pocket expenses for the health fair at the cost of \$36.50 per employee.
- A flu shot clinic was held yesterday and was sponsored by the Lawrence County Health Department. Approximately 10 employees took part in that event.
- Dispatching for Marionville was briefly discussed at staff meeting. City Manager Randall recommended to Chief Witthuhn that he needed to request a 3% increase from Marionville for their reimbursement next year as the city was going to be hiring an additional dispatcher through the 2016 budget.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Henderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Councilwoman Baton seconded the motion. Motion passed with all members voting aye.

APPROVED:



David L. Marks, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Kathie Needham

Kathie Needham, City Clerk, MMC/MPCC

