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AURORA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers

Tuesday, December 22, 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:** Councilwoman Henderson 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. Councilman Ramirez entered the meeting late.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Session held on December 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer moved to approve the minutes as submitted for the meeting held on December 8, 2015. Councilwoman Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed with all members voting aye.

V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for December

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the appropriations for December as submitted. Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed with all members voting aye.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

VII. COUNCIL FORUM

Steve Snyder reviewed the final video for the City of Aurora. Councilwoman Barton asked for Gary Wood Chrysler Jeep to be included in the video as well as some shots of the annual car show hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

Councilwoman Barton stated she had received several phone calls thanking the city for picking up leaves. Chairman Pro Tem Boyer stated he had received several calls as well.

Mayor Marks asked what the policy was for hiring employees at city hall that had previously worked for the city. City Clerk Needham replied that if an employee gave a two week notice prior to leaving they were considered in good status and were rehirable.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A.** *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2015-3051 making Ordinance No. 2015-3051*

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An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing and directing the City Manager to execute the Police Service Cooperative Agreement with the City of Marionville

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2015-3051 this will now be known as Ordinance No. 2015-3051. Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Barton, Henderson, Boyer, Marks

NAYES: 0

B. *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2015-3052 making Ordinance No. 2015-3052 An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing and directing the City Manager to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Marionville*

Councilwoman Henderson moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2015-3052 this will now be known as Ordinance No. 2015-3052. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Henderson, Ramirez, Marks, Boyer, Barton

NAYES: 0

C. *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2015-3053 making Ordinance No. 2015-3053 An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri accepting and approving the request from Ken Madison for a lot split on his minor subdivision by dividing one lot into two lots at the corner of Business 60 and Carnation*

Councilman Ramirez moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2015-3053 this will now be known as Ordinance No. 2015-3053. Mayor Marks seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-2 with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ramirez, Henderson, Marks

NAYES: Barton, Boyer

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. *Presentation of Service Awards*

Mayor Marks recognized and presented the following service awards:

5 years

Rick Witthuhn - present

Gary Koehn-Volunteer Fire – not present

Glen Callison-Volunteer Fire-not present

15 years

Virginia Baldwin-not present

20 years

Joni Abney-present

Kendall Haley-present

30 years

Pat Jenkins-not present

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B. *Resolution No. 2015-1441*

A Resolution appointing membership to the Aurora Municipal Airport Board (Farless)

Councilwoman Henderson moved to appoint Darold Farless to an unexpired term on the Airport Board. Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Marks, Barton, Boyer, Henderson, Ramirez

NAYES: 0

C. *Resolution No. 2015-1442*

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing and directing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Murphy Oil USA to provide unleaded and clear diesel for all city equipment for 2016

City Manager Randall stated that every year a request was put out to supply fuel for city vehicles and equipment. The same company has been used since 2004. This year another business was interested in bidding (Murphy Oil). MFA offered a two cent discount off the pump price and Murphy Oil offered a one cent discount. Previously council had voiced their opinion that city business should be passed around to all vendors.

When checking pump prices you see the difference. Murphy is always slightly lower on their pump price than MFA Oil. When you look at their 2 cent discount they are not lower in price when you take into consideration they are higher on their pump price than Murphy Oil. In terms of a recommendation council has always felt, in the past, that city business should be spread among all vendors all the while doing it within competitive pricing. Murphy Oil does not deliver bulk fuel. Several departments use bulk fuel at their locations.

Additionally the Fire Chief has a couple of vehicles that would not be feasible to try to fuel at Murphy's because of their length.

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer stated he had been told that Muphy's had a higher level of corn ethanol in their fuel blend than MFA. He was told that is would harm engines. Mayor Marks said it wasn't worth taking the chance. Councilman Ramirez stated they could take the department's bulk fuel tanks if we did not use them anymore. Mayor Marks said that is wasn't worth the savings in price when it took an employee longer to travel the further distance to Murphy's. He thought the bid should stay with MFA. Councilman Ramirez and Chairman Pro Tem Boyer agreed.

Councilman Ramirez asked Kendal Haley, Mechanic for the Transportation Department what his opinion of the fuel was. He stated it was harmful especially to small engines. The department has their own bulk tank and use MFA fuel for everything. The consensus of council was to stay with MFA Oil fuel.

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer moved to amend and approve Resolution No. 2015-1442 awarding the fuel bid for 2016 to MFA Oil Company. Councilman Ramirez seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-1 with the following council members voting aye:

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

D. *First Reading of Bill No. 2015-3055*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri is hereby amended to add Section 240.300 "Driving Heavy Trucks on certain Residential Streets" to Chapter 340 "Miscellaneous Driving Rules" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Chairman Pro Tem Boyer moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2015-3055. Councilwoman Barton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-2 with the following council members voting aye:

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

E. *Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 2015-3055 making Ordinance No. 2015-3055*
An Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri is hereby amended to add Section 240.300 "Driving Heavy Trucks on certain Residential Streets" to Chapter 340 "Miscellaneous Driving Rules" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances

Councilwoman Barton moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2015-3055 this will now be known as Ordinance No. 2015-3055. Motion passed 3-2 with the following council members voting aye:

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

X. **REPORTS**

A. *Board Liaison Reports*

Park Board

The board accepted Julie Browning's resignation. An opening on the board now exists. The board had still not had any notice that Phase I of the Walking Trail Grant had been closed out. City Manager Randall stated word had been received that the grant had been closed out. There will be a wine and desert fund raiser on February 27th for Phase II of the trails. The sidewalks around the playground in Oak Park are almost completed.

B. *City Attorney Report*

City Attorney Reynolds reminded council that revenues from fines may go down in the new year as the new legislation is about to go into effect.

C. *City Manager Report*

City Manager Randall reported on the following items:

- The Fire Department will be accepting Christmas trees until January 9th.
- Leaf pickup in south town is complete and north town will be finished today.
- About 12 yards of concrete is left to do in Oak Park on the sidewalk project.
- John Deere featured the city's leaf vacuum in the October issue of their annual calendar.

XI. **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to 610.021 (2)**

(2)

Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor

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Councilman Ramirez moved to go into Closed Session. Time noted 7:13 p.m.
Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed by a roll call vote
with the following council members voting aye:

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

Councilwoman Barton moved to come into open session. Time noted 7:38 p.m.
Chairman Pro Tem Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed by a roll call vote
with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Boyer, Henderson, Barton, Ramirez, marks
NAYES: 0

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Ramirez moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. Chairman Pro Tem
Boyer seconded the motion. Motion passed with all members voting aye.

APPROVED:



David L. Marks, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kathie Needham, City Clerk, MMC/MPCC