

**CITY OF ROCK HILL
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007
7:00 P.M.**

- 1) Mayor Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) The Mayor requested and led the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3) Roll call was taken with the following members of the Aldermanic Board being present:
T.J. Redmond, Jr., Daniel DiPlacido, Ed Johnson, Edie Barnard, Sheri McCann and Philip Scherry.
- 4) **Emergency Items to be added to the Agenda - NONE**
- 5) **Citizens to Address the Board:** *Each person addressing the Board shall give his/her name, address, and organization or firm represented, if any. He/she shall speak for a period not to exceed three (3) minutes; additional time may be granted by the presiding officer or the Board.-NONE*
- 6) **Public Hearings-NONE**
- 7) **Announcements, Presentations, Proclamations, Communications and Invitations:**
 - a) Mayor Morgan presents to Alderwoman Barnard: Proclamations & Resolutions from the City of Rock Hill thanking her for her years of service to the City of Rock Hill as Alderwoman.
 - b) Alderwoman Barnard thanks everyone for the opportunity to serve the City.
 - c) The formal certified results from the April 3, election are accepted by unanimous vote.
 - d) Official Swearing in of all the newly elected members of the Board of Alderman:
 1. Mary Wofford is sworn in for Ward III
 2. Sheri McCann is sworn in for Ward II
 3. Ed Johnson is sworn in for Ward I
 - e) Communication from **NOVUS:** Construction is progressing, Cell Tower action plan has been put together on how to eliminate the utilities in that area so the construction can be done on the north side of the development; There is no date yet available on Leonard Drive; Cell Tower is slated to be moved around the 1st of July. Manchester Road work slated for May. There are several letters of intent for tenancy, though disclosure is not possible right now, except for Starbuck's and Steinmart, who have both signed leases.
- 8) **Old Business – NONE**
- 9) **Minutes of Previous Meetings**
 - a) Motion to approve minutes from April 4 meeting
 - b) Motion is seconded
 - c) Discussion from Alderwoman McCann and Alderman DiPlacido regarding corrections to be made to the minutes from the April 4, 2007.
 - d) Original motion was withdrawn
 - e) New Motion to table the minutes until the next meeting.
 - f) Motion carried by voice vote
- 10) **Treasurer's Report- None**
- 11) **New Business**
 - a) None
- 12) **Bills and Resolutions:** Pursuant to RSMo. 79.130, all bills and resolutions will be read by "title" only. Copies will be available to the General Public at City Hall during regular office hours.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR FIRST READING:

a) **Bill No. 1699:** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL, MISSOURI, FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO DES PERES AVENUE WITH GERSHENSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. City Attorney Ken Heinz reads the bill.

A discussion followed and questions were raised by Alderman Johnson regarding the date of the original bid and budget allocation for the project. The original bidding was done over 3 years ago. Sunshine Construction, who have since gone out of business, were the lowest bidders; the second lowest bid coming from Gershenson Construction, who come highly recommended by MSD, the City of Ladue and the City Engineer. Gershenson is currently providing a revised bid. With regards to the budget allocation, the original bid is outdated as it was made several years ago. Alderman Johnson wants to be sure that the City is not held fully financially responsible for the entire cost of the project, and Mr. Liyeos assured the Board that the cost will be split by all responsible parties.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND READING AND OR ADOPTION:

13) Departmental Reports: None

14) TIF Commission Report: The committee did approve a recommendation to the board to increase the TIF by 700,000.

15) City Attorney Items - NONE

16) Mayor's Report – The Spring Newsletter is 95% finished. Resident Joyce Rouse is meeting with the Mayor, on April 18 and has offered to assist with the publication and to discuss grant writing for the preschool. On April 10, 12 and 16th, The Mayor, Alderman Redmond and Alderman Wofford met with the homeowners for Ward 3 to discuss Phase II Redevelopment, questions and concerns were discussed and the results were very positive. Regarding Cinco de Mayo, George Liyeos, our City Administrator is working in conjunction with the Public Works, Police Department & Fire Department to restrict parking in the residential areas to coordinate this event. Arbor Day has been rescheduled to Saturday, April 21, weather permitting. Ward Meetings will be held next week as follows: Ward 1, April 24th, Ward 2, April 25th, Ward 3, April 26th.

17) City Administrator's Report:

A scholarship has been received for Mr. Liyeos to attend the Missouri City Managers Conference in Branson, all expenses paid with no cost to the city.

18) CLOSED SESSION (if necessary): MOTION: To hold a closed meeting with closed record and closed voting, pursuant to Subsection (1),(2),(3) & (12) of Section 610.021, RSMo, 2004, in order to discuss legal actions, causes of action, or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representative and its attorneys; and leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration thereof; and the hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of an employee of a public governmental body; and documents related to a negotiated contract.

A motion is made by Alderwoman Barnard to proceed to closed session. The motion is seconded by Alderwoman McCann. Voting in favor of the motion were: Redmond, Johnson, Barnard, McCann and Scherry; Voting against the motion was: DiPlacido. The motion carried.

19) Return to Open Session (if necessary)

20) ADJOURN at 7:40pm

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