

**CITY OF ROCK HILL  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2007  
7:00PM**

- 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, Daniel DiPlacido, Edward Johnson, Mary Wofford, Sheri McCann, and Philip Scherry.
- 4) **Emergency items to be added to the agenda:** None
- 5) **Citizens to Address the Board:** None
- 6) **Public Hearings:** None
- 7) **Announcements, Presentations, Proclamations, Communications and Invitations:**
  - a) Pete Sebeliski and Jonathon Browne representative of NOVUS Development report the site is finishing up with sidewalks being poured. RSI transition is being completed outside of business hours. Crown Castle had requested an additional \$83,000 to have their cell tower moved, occurring October 8<sup>th</sup> tentatively. Landscaping and glazing is being completed. The fountain and water feature plans are in the process of modification. St. Louis Tan Co. has signed a lease and will be building out their improvements to the interior. Four other companies have signed letters of intent. Alderwoman McCann reviews the key point with the citizens requesting a water feature, and questions how close to the original plan will the fountain and surrounding area be? Mayor Morgan requests additional architectural drawings of the changes for review. Alderwoman McCann wants to know if there will still be two lanes going south on N. Rock Hill Road into the development.
- 8) **Old Business:** None
- 9) **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Alderman Scherry moved to approve the minutes. Alderwoman McCann seconds the motion. Motion carries by voice vote unanimously as amended. Alderwoman McCann's statement on page 2, item 10, September 18, 2007 minutes was incorrectly transcribed. The correct statement should read: "If there are to be any corrections to the minutes, those corrections need to be distributed to all Board members for review in the packets sent out Friday prior to the next scheduled Board meeting." Alderwoman McCann does not feel comfortable voting to approve something she has not seen. On page 3, item 15, Alderwoman McCann wants the record to show that she did not vote in favor of Connie Kroenig Interior Designs for the renovation of the new City Hall building.
- 10) **New business:** City Administrator George Liyeos stated that the signs have been installed by the Webster Groves School District with regard to the parking situation on Mueck and Greenwood Terrace. Alderman DiPlacido states that he is still receiving communication from residents voicing concerns without the addition of signs further down on Mueck for residents only. There have been no new reports of violations. Mayor Morgan spoke with Diane Moore from Webster Groves School District, who will provide a list of all scheduled ball games, which will be forwarded to the police

department, enabling them to monitor the parking better. Alderman DiPlacido indicates that there are still residents interested in having a public hearing on the matter. City Administrator, George Liyeos responded that it will be addressed. His goal is to hold the public hearing prior to the end of the year. Mr. Liyeos indicated that the Traffic Commission will not draw a definitive conclusion after this hearing, as it will be for information gathering and a platform for the public to voice their concerns in this area.

- 11) **Treasurer's Report:** Finance Director, Don Cary reports on warrants issued and state of the budget for the fiscal year. Alderman Johnson moves to approve the warrant listing. Alderman Scherry seconds the motion. Motion carries by voice vote unanimously.
- 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:**

**Bill No. 1710:** AN ORDINANCE ENACTING SECTION 15-1 OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH STATE TAX AND WORKER'S COMPENSATION LAWS IN CONNECTION WITH APPLICATIONS FOR AND RENEWAL OF CITY LICENSES. Upon no objection from the Board of Alderman, Bill No. 1710 was read by the City Attorney by "title" only.

### **ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SECOND READING AND OR ADOPTION:**

**Proclamation** OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROCK HILL RECOGNIZING DONALD CARY FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF ROCK HILL FROM AUGUST 7, 2003 UNTIL OCTOBER 5, 2007. Mayor Morgan thanks Mr. Cary for his service to the community.

#### 13) **Departmental Reports:**

**Police Department:** Captain Paul Arnett reported Officer Bill Surman has completed training in advanced radar operation and traffic control. New staging area for the Fall Festival Parade has been finalized on Des Peres Avenue. Captain Arnett is working on a grant for new bullet proof vests for the department.

**Fire Department:** The new firehouse is being finished on the inside with outside completions beginning soon. Fire hydrant inspections are beginning. The department is moving into their busy time of the year.

**Finance Department:** The Building Inspection Department has had a decline in home inspections with occupancy permit requests going down since the start of the school year. The residents receiving exterior survey code compliance violations have been working with the City Inspector to resolve their repair issues. The department will oversee the remodeling of the park building, and reviewing the telephone costs for the City for possible improvements and reduction in cost. The final business and merchant license renewals are being completed. The department is cross training in areas of accounting and city clerk duties. The City of Ladue has been invoiced in the amount of \$108,909.78 for their portion of the Des Peres Road street improvements.

- 14) **City Attorney Report:** City Attorney, Ken Heinz reports on the settlement forthcoming from Verizon Wireless for cell phone taxes that are owed to municipalities throughout the state, of which the City of Rock Hill should receive approximately \$48,000 for back taxes owed by Verizon. The settlement should be accepted as it is a non negotiable amount. There will be an ordinance prepared for the next meeting pertaining to the acceptance of said settlement. Mr. Heinz has reported the MML has requested 5% of those funds be set aside for future lobbying efforts on this and other issues as requested by the St. Louis County Municipal League.. Mayor Morgan supports this pledge to assist in hiring an effective lobbyist on behalf of the municipalities through the Missouri Municipal League. Alderwoman McCann moves to approve accepting the \$48,000 settlement. Alderman DiPlacido seconds the motion. Motion carries by voice vote. Alderman Scherry moves to request an ordinance for the pledge of 5% of funds received in settlement to the Missouri Municipal League. Alderman DiPlacido voices his opposition based on eminent domain. Alderwoman McCann seconds the motion. Motion carries by voice vote.
- 15) **Mayor's Report:** Mayor Julie Morgan introduced Ann Robertson as Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director.
- 16) **City Administrator's Report:** George Liyeos states a reminder of the work sessions scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 17) **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.  
No motion made
- 18) **Adjourn-**Alderwoman Wofford moves to adjourn the meeting. Alderwoman McCann seconds the motion. Upon voice vote the motion carries unanimously at 7:49 p.m.