

**CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
JUNE 17, 2013
555 S. 10TH STREET, ROOM 113
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING DIRECTORS'S MEETING**

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CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
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Present: Carl Eskridge, Chair; Doug Emery, Vice Chair; Leirion Gaylor Baird; Trent Fellers; Jonathan Cook; Roy Christensen; and Jon Camp

Others: Rick Hoppe, Chief of Staff, Denise Pearce, Senior Policy Counsel

Chair Eskridge opened the meeting at 2:40 p.m. and announced the location of the Open Meetings Act.

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The above minutes presented to Council with no corrections. Placed on file in the City Council office.

II. BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONFERENCE REPORTS

1. Public Building Commission (PBC) - Cook

Cook stated the PBC again discussed the solar panel issue as the State Auditor looked into our purchasing process. The conclusion of the APA was that they found no grounds for taking exception for the specific procedures employed to handle the protest and ultimately to make the award based on the information provided. So, a clean bill of health from Mr. Foley, State Auditor of Public Accounts. Let us know if you would like to see Mr. Foley's letter. Given the problems he's found almost everywhere else, we were very pleased when he said we had the correct process.

Cook said the PBC is adding additional buildings: 27th and Holdrege Police Station, Downtown Senior Center, Court House Plaza. We do receive energy analysis of our buildings telling where we might save energy plus reveal other items, such as at the old police station, the 233 Building, which has a spike in the middle of the night in energy usage. Not sure what the cause is, but will try to track down.

Approved new furniture for the Courthouse Court Rooms. The original bid picked turned out to be an error and they withdrew. We then went with the second low bidder with the Judges making some choices which saved money.

He stated all restrooms in this building will have new hand paper dispensers. Automatic, battery operated. The kind where you wave your hand. Apparently what we use now is very wasteful as towels continue to fall out when you pull one. The new dispensers will save paper. Installing at no cost as long as we have a three year paper lease with them, and still the best bid. National Everything Wholesale.

Cook stated for vending machines we went with Pepsi Cola for the Building Commission and County. The City has their own deal. Getting cheaper pop but also a larger percentage.

He stated they are adding a couple maintenance personnel for Corrections, and the move to the new facility.

The PBC will have their budget discussion and public hearing in August.

They discussed the social media policy. The Mayor's office may be aware. The County has a social

media policy where they want to be in charge of anything related to County business which goes on Facebook, Twitter, etc. Apparently the City does not have a policy. Do not know whether departments, at some point, put up their own items. Hoppe stated he's curious as to what the County policy covers. Do they have a person to do social media? Not sure if there is a policy. Cook replied if employees are posting items which might be City business we may want a policy in place. The County has and the PBC was asked to look at it. Hoppe replied will look into and do have a candidate for the job.

2. Parks and Recreation Advisory Board - Cook

Cook stated they approved additional parking areas at Pioneers Park. Camp asked if the Pioneers Park parking area would be asphalt or blocks with grass growing through? Cook replied the driveway areas would have some kind of stone or crushed asphalt. The parking areas would be grass. We want additional areas so we can rotate parking areas making sure the grass stays healthy and not overused. Camp asked if they thought about blocks, instead of crushed stone? The kind with holes so grass grows. Cook replied it wasn't discussed.

Parks and Rec will review the 10 Year Facilities Plan. In previous years we had disagreements on CIP funding. The Mayor's budget hasn't always included money, from the General Fund, for repairing, or replacing Parks facilities, with the Council adding in the last few years. This discussion is of the 10 year needs, taking place in this budget off year. We will have prioritize. When we come back with the budget will have a good idea of needs, and what CIP amounts will need to be placed in the budget for maintaining our parks system.

Cook stated the Golf Sustainability Study still ongoing and may present in August. The exact process for rolling out the study hasn't been completed, but at some point may have a pre-council to discuss the golf program. Rounds are down 27% over last year, but only 1 ½ % over 2 years ago. Last year was a really good year. Mr. Clancey Wallman is Chair of the Golf Committee.

3. Board of Health - Emery

Emery stated the two main items discussed go hand in hand. One charge of Health Boards across the U. S. is a Community Health Improvement Plan, and a Living Will or a chronic disease management program. Received updates on both.

Also discussed was the solid waste management plan, which we are now reviewing. No decision yet, and will be voted on by the Health Board before it comes to City Council.

4. West Haymarket Joint Public Agency - Emery

Emery stated one item coming out of this meeting was the new idea we would get all of the FF & E (Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment) approved by a monetary amount at one time. So it's not coming through at the last minute. Headed in the right direction with this new idea from Tim Clare. Otherwise, on plan, under budget, and will receive a month early.

5. Information Services Policy Committee (ISPC) - Fellers

Fellers stated most of the meeting consisted of other members bringing him up to speed on what ISPC is and does. Discussed the VoIP implementation between the City and County. Reviewed other projects and talked about possibly revising some local agreements between the partners. Discussed some generator problems which might be at the old police station building on 10th Street. The generator they have may not meet the full load of what they need. Personally have had some knowledge through my employer at the State Office, with all the power needs they have cannot be keeping everyone's lights on all the time, and would result in a power outage in the area. The ISPC does send a document stating what was worked on.

III. APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS

Eskridge stated this will be handled through email.

IV. REQUESTS OF COUNCIL FROM MAYOR

Covered.

V. MISCELLANEOUS

None

VI. CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

No comments.

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VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Eskridge adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.