

MINUTES	Monday, September 28, 2009	
Informational Meeting		4:00 p.m. at Carne
gie Town Hall		
Sioux Falls City Council		235 West 10th Str
eet		

Members Present: Kenny Anderson Jr., Gerald Beninga, J. Pat Costello, Greg Jamison, De Knudson, and Kermit Staggers.

Members Absent: Vernon Brown, Bob Litz, and Mayor Dave Munson.

Staff Present: Debra A. Owen, City Clerk, and Tamara Jorgensen, Assistant City Clerk.

1. Call To Order

Council Chair Costello called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. City Council Staff Report

A. Updates by Debra A. Owen, City Clerk

Owen reminded Council of the South Dakota Multi-Housing Trade Show on October 8, 2009.

3. Mayor Munson

No report.

4. Audit Committee

No report.

5. Fiscal Committee

Jamison requested that a future Fiscal Committee meeting include a discussion about the budget process: how it went and how it can be improved in the future.

## 6. Land Use Committee

There will be a meeting after the Informational Meeting to discuss proposed deregulation of campgrounds.

## 7. Public Services Committee

No report

## 8. City Council Open Discussion

Knudson reminded the Council and listening audience that the National Citizen s Survey is going to be sent out to 3,000 citizens for their input next week. Also, the citizen survey is available for review and input on the city s website at: [www.siouxfalls.org](http://www.siouxfalls.org) starting Monday, October 5, 2009, until the end of October.

Staggers referenced an August 19th internal email received from Council Chair Costello regarding retaining the Chair position after he announced his candidacy for Mayor. Discussion was held regarding whether or not the Chair position should be held by someone also running for Mayor. Discussion was also held regarding the Chair s recent activity in public service announcements. Staggers would like to see this conversation continue at the next City Council Informational Meeting (if all members are present) and make a final decision regarding this topic. Knudson requested that staff provide a copy of the Council s policy on this topic.

Staggers discussed the recent property tax increase and how it affects citizens who are already on fixed incomes.

## 9. Presentations

### A. Monthly Financial Update by Eugene Rowenhorst, Director of Finance

Document: August Financials

Tom Huber, Assistant Director of Finance, reviewed the information.

Council Member Litz arrived at this time.

Jamison requested that future Informational Meeting schedules include updates on the arena contract; updates on the Pettigrew Heights development; and updates on the flood bond insurance information.

## 10. Adjournment

Council Chair Costello adjourned the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

Tamara Jorgensen, CMC  
Assistant City Clerk