

MINUTES

Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Informational Meeting 4:00 PM at Carnegie Town Hall

Sioux Falls City Council 235 West Tenth Street

Members Present: Kenny Anderson Jr., James Entenman, Michelle Erpenbach, Greg Jamison, Rex Rolwing, Kermit L. Staggers

Members Absent: Dean Karsky, Sue Aguilar, and Mike T. Huether

Staff Present: Lorie Hogstad, CMC, City Clerk; Tamara Jorgensen, CMC, Assistant City Clerk; Jim David, Legislative/Operations Manager; David Bixler, Budget Analyst; and Rich Oksol, Internal Audit Manager

## 1. Call To Order

City Council Chair Jim Entenman called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Entenman stated that the Public Services Committee meeting would start ten minutes after the conclusion of this meeting. He stated that the Executive Session scheduled for this afternoon has been rescheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2013.

## 2. Staff Report

### A. Jim David, Legislative/Operations Manager

Jim David, Legislative/Operations Manager, provided the following updates:

Council Member Rex Rolwing will have a budget amendment next week to adjust the transit hours for night demand service. The proposed amendment would expand the hours for fixed routes 3, 6, 7, 9 and 10 from 7:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Discussion followed.

Rolwing provided clarification on the need for this service. He cited feedback from citizens regarding employment, church functions, and entertainment needs. He stated transit is one of the benefits of this city and should be further explored before cutting any of these services from the budget.

Council Member Greg Jamison stated that the discussions regarding funding and budget for paratransit has generated a lot of feedback from the public. Jamison recommended setting up a task force to review the long term plans for paratransit. He has spoken with Avera McKennan Hospital, Sanford Hospital, the Veterans Hospital, the Children's Care Hospital, Achieve, Dakota Abilities, Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce, Sioux Falls Public School System, and Active Generations. Jamison stated that everyone that he has talked to wants to be a participant in the conversation. He stated if we are all discussing this (along with the policy makers), he thinks the group can come up with a better plan for ongoing transportation needs. Discussion followed.

Jamison and Rolwing will set up and participate in this task force. The task force will work with Planning staff to determine what other entities need involvement, i.e. retirement homes, etc.

Council Member Kermit L. Staggers requested clarification regarding the proposed amendment. He asked if the number of paratransit buses was going to be reduced. Discussion followed.

B. Lorie Hogstad, City Clerk

Lorie Hogstad, City Clerk, advised the Council that on Wednesday, September 11th, she would be participating in a city-wide review tour of vote center locations to determine if they are ADA compliant. Dr. Peter Blanck and James Felakas will be arriving from New York to conduct the study. They will use the guidelines for polling places established by the Department of Justice.

Hogstad provided updates on the petition regarding the rezoning of property at 85th Street and Minnesota Avenue. She reviewed information regarding the number of petitions received, the cursory review process, and the 5% random check process. Hogstad provided an update on the Affidavit of Signature Deficiencies received from the attorney representing Walmart. Discussion followed.

3. City Council Open Discussion

Staggers asked about an item on the Consent Agenda for tonight's City Council Meeting. He asked about the bid to North Central Bus for \$435,000.00. Tom Huber, Assistant Director of Finance, reported these are for the purchase of four paratransit busses.

4. Presentations

A. Presentation of two Internal Audit Reports: Water Reclamation Industrial Billing and City Owned Real Estate by Rich Oksol, Internal Audit Manager

5. Executive Session

A. Personnel matters pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1)

Rescheduled to Tuesday,  
September 17, 2013.

6. Adjournment

Council Chair Jim Entenman adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Tamara Jorgensen, CMC

Assistant City Clerk