

MINUTES
OF A WORKSESSION
OF THE CLEAR LAKE CITY COUNCIL

The Clear Lake City Council met in a worksession pursuant to law and rules of said Council on Monday, February 13, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., at City Hall, with Mayor Nelson P. Crabb presiding. All Council Members present.

Callanan moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Boehnke. Roll Call: Passed Unanimously.

Scott Flory, City Administrator, reviewed the proposed CDBG Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvement Project – Phase 2 and stated that at its previous meeting the Council approved the “Resolution of Necessity” and directed preparation of the final plans & specifications for the Project. He noted that the Council also directed staff to meet with some of the affected property owners who expressed concern about the proposed sidewalk location on 8th Avenue N. and 10th Avenue N. Jason Petersburg, Veenstra & Kimm, stated that he and Joe Weigel, Public Works Director, have met with those affected property owners and that although the property owners are not in favor of sidewalks being incorporated into the project they are in agreement with the proposed placement discussed during their meeting with he and Weigel. After general discussion, it was a consensus of the Council to direct Petersburg to prepare the Plans & Specifications with the modifications discussed with those affected property owners. Petersburg also reviewed the proposed construction schedule and the proposed phasing plan for the project.

Flory stated that at its previous meeting the Council reviewed the proposed FY 12 amended and the proposed FY 13 budgets and that before City staff can prepare the proposed final budget books additional direction from the Council on the proposed FY 13 tax rate will be needed. He noted that the proposal presented at the previous meeting was to keep the tax rate the same, at \$10.54/\$1,000 of taxable valuation, or to lower it to \$10.36/\$1,000 of taxable valuation. He further noted that if the Council decides to keep the rate the same it would enable the City to earmark roughly an additional \$70,000 for a future Police Station/City Hall Remodeling Project. After general discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to direct staff to prepare the budget books based on the tax rate remaining at \$10.54/\$1,000 of taxable valuation.

Flory reviewed the proposed Lincoln Village Redevelopment Project and stated that the preliminary site plan received approval by the Planning & Zoning Commission on January 31st. He stated that through the site planning process several potential opportunities to make certain public improvements were identified that the City could consider making at some point in conjunction with the proposed redevelopment project. Mike Danburg, Yaggy Colby Associates, stated that the proposed public improvements would include the following: upgrading the City’s “raw water” line serving Well #2; constructing a new 8” diameter water main from 4th Ave S. to 3rd Ave S. with fire hydrants on 3rd Ave S.; and restoration of the street right-of-way on 3rd Ave S. back to a typical City street cross-section. He noted that the development does not require the substantial amount of angled street parking that was constructed many years ago to provide additional parking in the area for the school. There was general discussion by the Council regarding the proposed public improvements.

There being no further business before the Council, Boehnke moved to adjourn at 7:02 p.m., seconded by Unsworth. Passed Unanimously.

/S/ Nelson P. Crabb
Nelson P. Crabb, Mayor

ATTEST:

/S/ Jennifer Larsen
Jennifer Larsen, City Clerk

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