

REGULAR MEETING DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

March 30, 2000

The regular study session of the Des Moines City Council was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Mayor Thomasson in the Council Chambers, 21630 11th Avenue South, #B.

ROLL CALL - Present: Mayor Scott Thomasson, Mayor Pro Tem Bob Sheckler, Councilmembers Terry Brazil, Dave Kaplan, Dan Sherman, Gary Towe and Don Wasson. Also present were City Manager Bob Olander, City Attorney Gary McLean, Community Development Director Judith Kilgore, Planning Manager Corbitt Loch and Deputy City Clerk Angela Chaufy.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Potential Garbage Strike

City Manager Olander informed Council that he had spoken with Steve Caputo of SeaTac Disposal regarding a potential garbage strike beginning April 3, 2000. If the strike should occur, Mr. Caputo said that SeaTac Disposal would attempt to maintain limited service. Their first

priority would be commercial pickups and their second priority would be contracted cities, such as Des Moines. The public would be notified of the strike through the media.

Councilmember Sherman questioned whether the city's franchise agreement with SeaTac Disposal contained performance standards during strikes.

Census 2000

Councilmember Sherman noted that Census 2000 materials were not mailed to residents who only had a post office box. He suggested that these individuals contact the census office at (206) 728-5300 or (800) 471-9424 to receive their questionnaires.

Draft Ordinance No. 00-066 [Assigned Ord. 1258] - Pacific Ridge Interim Zoning Regulations & ICUP Permit Process

Planning Manager Loch noted that page 17, Section 10(c) should be changed from 85 feet to 120 feet. He summarized the Pacific Ridge Planning Project public notice and public meeting processes. He said that additional public notice would be provided prior to the adoption of the final regulations. Planning Manager Loch noted that policies that would allow Council to monitor growth and development in the area would be contained within the draft plan.

City Attorney McLean noted that the word "moratorium" on Page 5, Section 6 should be changed to "interim zoning controls".

Community Development Director Kilgore reviewed the schedule for future discussion of the Neighborhood Improvement Plan.

Mayor Thomasson asked that staff limit the meetings to three Thursdays per month. He suggested setting the deadline after June 30, 2000 in case Council wanted to review the issue longer. He expressed concern with the timing of the issuance of the Final EIS and the public hearing.

Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler and Councilmember Kaplan suggested that the deadline be adjusted but that Council maintain the schedule as presented and only use the extra time if needed.

City Attorney McLean explained the process for extending interim controls.

Upon questioning, Mayor Thomasson, Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler, and Councilmembers Kaplan, Sherman, and Wasson voiced support for extending the interim controls' deadline to July 31, 2000.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler and seconded by Councilmember Kaplan to suspend Council Rule 26(b) to enact Draft Ordinance No. 00-066 on the first reading.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed, 6 – 1, with Councilmember Sherman opposed.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sheckler and seconded by Councilmember Kaplan to enact Draft Ordinance No. 00-066 creating an Interim Conditional Use Permit process for development within Pacific Ridge following sunset of the Pacific Ridge moratorium, and adopting interim development guidelines.

City Attorney McLean read the title of Draft Ordinance No. 00-066 into the record. He noted that the new deadline, July 31, 2000, would be inserted into Page 5, Section 4 of the ordinance.

Councilmember Sherman voiced support for Council's goals to take the density required by the Growth Management Act while reducing the impact to the single-family nature of the community, to increase commercial use in the area, and to increase the property value of the neighborhood. He said that he was unable to support Draft Ordinance No. 00-066 however, as he felt that Section 10(b) was discriminatory as it differentiated between developments based upon ownership. He also expressed concern that a multifamily structure situated next to a single-family residence west of Pacific Highway South would be allowed to build to 55 feet without adequate buffering requirements.

Councilmember Kaplan felt that a buffer already existed between the multifamily and single-family residences. He felt that the proposed ordinance provided a foundation for planned growth in the area.

Mayor Thomasson voiced support for Councilmember Sherman's concerns regarding the area west of Pacific Highway South. He said that he would support adoption of the interim controls as the moratorium would expire but said that he would not make a final decision for the area until the Transportation Plan and Environmental Impact Statement were completed.

Councilmember Brazil agreed with Mayor Thomasson's comments.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed, 6 – 1, with Councilmember Sherman opposed.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Mayor Thomasson announced that the next meeting would be Thursday, April 6, 2000

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Chaufty
Deputy City Clerk