REGULAR MEETING OF THE DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES August 6, 1998

At 7:25 p.m., City Attorney McLean announced that the City Council would continue in Executive Session for approximately another ten minutes.

The regular meeting of the Des Moines City Council was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Mayor Thomasson in the Council Chambers, 21630 11th Avenue South.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mayor Thomasson.

ROLL CALL - Present: Mayor Scott Thomasson, Mayor Pro Tem Terry Brazil, Councilmembers Dave Kaplan, Bob Sheckler, Dan Sherman, and Gary Towe. Absent: Councilmember Don Wasson. Also present were City Manager Bob Olander, Assistant City Manager Tony Piasecki, City Attorney Gary McLean, Public Works Director Tim Heydon, Community Development Director Judith Kilgore, Park and Recreation Director Patrice Thorell, Senior Planner Robert Ruth, Park Manager Rick Still and Deputy City Clerk Angela Chaufty.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Towe, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil, and passed unanimously to excuse Councilmember Wasson from attendance.

BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning Agency

Councilmember Kaplan reported that the Planning Agency had met twice to discuss and review several North East Neighborhood elements. He informed Council that the Planning Agency would prefer a more descriptive name for the area.

Suburban Cities Association

Mayor Pro Tem Brazil noted that his report would be discussed under New Business.

Councilmember Sherman reported that he had been asked by Suburban Cities Association to serve on the Public Health Board.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

Ad Hoc Zoning Committee

Mayor Thomasson reported that the committee had completed its review of the zoning plan. After review by the Planning Agency, the zoning plan would be submitted to Council for review and approval.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Video: Des Moines Senior Center

City Manager Olander informed Council that Microsoft had featured several Des Moines Senior Center Computer Lab seniors and Mount Rainier High School students in a Windows '98 promotional video.

Park and Recreation Director Thorell showed Council the promotional video clip. She noted that Microsoft had expressed an interest in featuring the successful senior program again in a future promotional campaign.

CONSENT CALENDAR was read by Deputy City Clerk Chaufty.

1. Motion is to approve the minutes of July 8, 9 and 30, 1998.

2. Findings: Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.080, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the City Council.

Motion: As of this date the Des Moines City Council, by unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers and payroll transfers included in the above list and further described as follows:

Claim check #62719 through #62982 in the total amount of $664,005.06
Payroll fund transfers in the total amount of $228,726.97

3. Motion is to authorize the City Manager to approve all vouchers for payment of the following claims during the period of August 7, 1998 through August 27, 1998:

a. All vouchers for payment of payroll checks, including Marina payroll, and
b. All vouchers for payment of claims and Marina checks, provided that all vouchers and checks approved by the City Manager in accordance with this motion shall be presented at the September 10, 1998 meeting.

4. Motion is to approve the contract change order for the CDBG Field House Roof Replacement Project in the amount of $10,446.78 including sales tax, and authorize the City Manager to sign said contract change order, substantially in the form as attached.

5. Draft Resolution No. 98-196 ***[Assigned Res. No. 851]*** - Title: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Washington, relating to the establishment of guiding principles by and between the City of Des Moines (hereinafter "City") and Highline School District #401 (hereinafter "District") for the establishment of partnerships for the use of individual facilities, fields, and programs which will benefit City and School District residents and students.

MOTION is to approve Draft Resolution No. 98-196.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Sherman and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil to approve the consent calendar as read.

Upon questioning regarding Item #4, Park Manager Still explained that the first change order for the project covered counter flashing and cost approximately $5,600. He noted that the second change order request was necessary for the removal and disposal of a secondary roof that was undiscoverable prior to demolition.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

1999 Community Development Block Grant Program Applications

Community Development Director Kilgore noted that Council had previously accepted the 1999 entitlement grant of $233,149 and adopted program policies to guide allocations of those funds. She stated that Council had also adopted certain "set-asides" which included $35,000 for the Housing Repair Program, $38,309 for Public Service, $33,975 for Planning and Administration and $75,000 for the Senior Center Acquisition project. Community Development Director recommended that the remaining funds be allocated as follows:

Field House Renovation	$20,865
Habitat for Humanity	$20,000
South King County Multi-Service Center	$10,000

She noted that Emergency Feeding Program was not currently recommended for funding as the Des Moines Food Bank created a duplication of service and the dollars would need to come from the public service line item. Ms. Kilgore recommended delaying allocations for Park View Group Homes and Valley Cities Counseling and Consultation until their programs were more established.

Mayor Thomasson called for speakers.

SPEAKER

Dan Doncan

As president of Habitat for Humanity for King County, Mr. Doncan informed Council that Habitat for Humanity had previously constructed two homes in the Des Moines area and were looking forward to building again in the area. He noted that the homeowner selection process considered need, ability to pay back the loan, and ability to invest time and labor in the construction process. He asked Council to allocate the requested funds to Habitat for Humanity.

After calling for additional speakers, Mayor Thomasson closed the public hearing.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Towe and seconded by Councilmember Sheckler to accept the 1999 Community Development Block Grant funding recommendations as follows:

Senior Center Operations	$38,309
Planning and Administration	33,975
Housing Repair	35,000
South King County Multi-Service Center	10,000

Habitat for Humanity	20,000
Senior Center Acquisition	75,000
Field House Renovation	20,865

Park and Recreation Director Thorell noted that the City had been awarded a Washington Heritage Grant in the amount of $120,000 for the installation of a fire suppression system in the Field House. The grant money would be available in July, 1999.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Sherman, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil, and passed unanimously that any excess or reprogrammed funds be allocated to the Field House Renovation.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Briefing: Proposed 16th Avenue South Arterial

Public Works Director Tim Heydon noted that four alternatives plans were being studied as part of the project level Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the SR509/South Access Road project. He displayed maps of these alternatives.

Craig Stone, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Steering Committee Co-Chair, informed Council of the projected traffic levels of service in the City for the four alternatives and of the expected impacts on the 16th/18th Avenue South arterial. He noted that consultants would be studying project alignment, profile, rights-of-way needs, environmental features, intersection analysis, preliminary cost estimates, and traffic effects with the inclusion of the 16th Avenue South arterial as well as without it. Mr. Stone stated that the Steering Committee would be studying environmental design work, freight mobility issues, and construction phasing options. He noted that the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Study was projected to be completed in July, 1999 with the final EIS completed in June, 2000.

At 8:55 p.m., Mayor Thomasson declared a ten minute break.

Pacific Highway South Redevelopment Project - Urban Design Approval

Public Works Director Heydon introduced Dave Boyd from Makers and Roger Mason from CH2M Hill.

Mr. Boyd reviewed the proposed streetscape design. He stated that the design sought to create a distinct unified character for the area. Mr. Boyd showed overheads illustrating the use of a series of sails at the gateways to create this character. He also displayed pictures of the proposed lighting, landscape layout, street furniture, paving plans and METRO bus shelters.

Councilmember Sherman expressed concern with the rotation feature and maintenance of the proposed sails. He stated that he preferred the buoy theme. He also suggested that the color of the elements be standardized.

Mayor Thomasson noted concern with the lack of uniformity in the lighting placement.

Councilmember Towe asked for cost estimates for the various theme options, including on-going maintenance.

City Manager Olander confirmed that staff would focus on design cost elements and research the stability of the sail concept.

Draft Resolution No. 98-160 - Request for Waterline Easement – Des Moines Post Office, South 216^{th} & 20^{th} Avenue South

Senior Planner Ruth displayed a vicinity map of the Des Moines Post Office and surrounding property. He noted the location of existing waterlines. Mr. Ruth then displayed the conceptual master plan for the Community/Senior Center and Sports Park and noted the location of the easement requests.

On behalf of Highline Water District, Steve Wienikey stated that the requested easements would allow for better circulation and water quality.

Senior Planner Ruth stated that staff recommended approval of the easement requests.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil and seconded by Councilmember Towe to adopt Draft Resolution No. 98-160 granting easements to the Highline Water District allowing for the installation, perpetual use and maintenance of public water pipelines.

Mayor Thomasson expressed concern with granting an easement on land that was not yet developed. He felt that the fire hydrant could be sufficiently positioned without utilizing City property.

MOTION was made by Mayor Thomasson and seconded by Councilmember Sherman to amend the main motion by deleting the north easement from the proposed resolution.

Upon questioning, Lori Pfarr , Civil Engineer for Coughlin/Porter Lundin, noted that the removal of the easement could require the relocation of a power pole. She described the existing utilities in the right-of-way and noted that the relocation of the hydrant would create a run of over fifty feet. Ms. Pfarr proposed the granting of a 3 inches by 10 feet easement instead.

Mayor Thomasson felt that granting the 10 feet by 29 feet easement as requested in the proposed resolution was not in the best interest of the city.

Public Works Director Heydon stated that he was confident that a solution could be found so that the hydrant could be located within the South 216^{th} Street right-of-way.

City Attorney McLean recommended granting authority to the Public Works Director to determine the best public location for the easement, to allow for two easements, one at the north end and one at the south end. On the north end, the determination would be left to the Public Works Director depending on what was in the best interest for the public and secondly, that the city be authorized to go forward and authorize construction on that but, the final easement to be returned for ratification and confirmation by the Council at some date in September.

The main motion was withdrawn by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil and Councilmember Towe.

MOTION was made by Mayor Thomasson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil and passed unanimously to grant the southerly easement and give the PW Director discretion to work out a solution on the northern easement if one is required in the best public interest, as recommended by the City Attorney.

Review 2nd Quarter Capital Improvement Program

City Manager Olander briefly noted that staff recommended the postponement or deletion of the Comprehensive Utility Study because of the Legislature's moratorium. He also mentioned that some Surface Water Management Capital Improvement Projects might also need to be delayed until revenues increased. Council would be informed as more information became available.

Review of Suburban Cities Regional Governance and Finance Proposal

City Manager Olander noted that the proposed negotiating proposal had been developed with input from Suburban elected officials and staff, including participation from Mayor Pro Tem Brazil and himself. He felt that the proposal met the general concerns of Council and recommended approval. City Manager Olander noted that the proposal recommended a joint County and Suburban Cities study of the pool issues.

At 10:29 p.m., **motion** was made by Councilmember Sherman and seconded by Councilmember Kaplan to extend the meeting ten minutes.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed, 4 – 2, with Councilmembers Sheckler and Towe opposed.

Mayor Pro Tem Brazil stated that the proposal developed a position to bargain and negotiate with the County. He felt it was a fair combination and compromise position incorporating a wide variety of concerns from the various suburban cities.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Brazil, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan, and passed unanimously to endorse the Suburban Cities' proposal as the official negotiating position of Suburban Cities.

NEXT MEETING DATE – August 27, 1997 Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela M. Chaufty
Deputy City Clerk