

## Minutes Des Moines City Council Municipal Facilities Committee – 09/22/2022

### Council Members

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**Mayor Matt Mahoney**

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**Michael Matthias, City Manager**  
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**Matt Hutchins, Assistant City Attorney**  
**Jeff Friend, Deputy Finance Director**  
**Jodi Grager, Admin Asst II**

**Guests: Councilmember Gene Achziger**

**Ken Rogers, Quarterdeck Owner and Mackenzie Meyers, Quarterdeck Manager**

Meeting called to order: 5:00 pm on September 22, 2022 in the Council Chambers

### **Agenda**

1. Approval of 08.25.2022 Minutes
2. Quarterdeck Lease Assignment and Extension

### **Meeting:**

1. The 08.25.2022 Municipal Facilities Minutes were approved as submitted.
2. City Attorney Tim George introduced Mackenzie Meyers and Ken Rogers. Attorney George explained that about four months ago, Mr. Rogers approached the council about extending his lease and transferring it to a new owner. The Legal Department determined that it would be more efficient to negotiate with the new owner allowing her an opportunity to become familiar with the lease. It was suggested that the City terminate the lease with Mr. Rogers and move forward with Ms. Meyers contingent upon her meeting expectations. Agenda Item #2 included a Memo written by Attorney George, a written request from Ms. Meyers, a site map, and the lease. Legal has received a business plan from Ms. Meyers and are confident in the continued success of the business. The discussion included:
  - The fair market value of the space leased
  - The public value of this private investment
  - Leasing the footprint, the building is not owned by the City
  - Private/Public Partnership

The Committee recommended the Lease Contract be brought to full Council for approval.

City Manager Michael Matthias provided a brief review of the Fast Ferry Pilot Project. A full report will be brought to Council in October when staff have had a chance to analyze all the data. It's estimated that weekly ticket sales were approximately \$10,000. CM Matthias also discussed the

Community Meeting Marina Redevelopment to be held on September 27<sup>th</sup>. He described the content of the meeting as an opportunity to check in with the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jodi Grager, Public Works Admin Asst