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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE BURLINGTON, IOWA CITY COUNCIL

Meeting No. 26
January 17, 2011

The Burlington City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. in the Thomas J. Smith Council Chambers, City Hall with Mayor Ell, Council Members Davidson, Fleming, Murray and Reed present.

BURLINGTON CITY COUNCIL

PROCLAMATION: Welcome Home Bees Week

CONSENT AGENDA: To the Public:

All matters listed under Item I., Consent Agenda, having been discussed were considered to be routine by the City Council and were enacted by one motion. There was no separate discussion of these items. If discussion was desired, that item was removed from the Consent Agenda and was considered separately.

Introduced By: Fleming Seconded By: Davidson

MOTION: To approve all items listed under Item I., Consent Agenda.

DISCUSSION: Mayor Ell reviewed the items listed on the consent agenda to the viewing audience. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 5 - AYES)

CARRIED

RESOLUTION:

Introduced By: Reed Seconded By: Murray

1. Resolution Authorizing Participation in Design of Improvements to Animal Control Center

DISCUSSION: The City Manager stated that the proposed Resolution authorizes the City's participation with the Des Moines County Humane Society to draw up the final plans and specifications for remodeling/expansion of the Animal Control Center. He stated that it is anticipated that the cost to be approximately \$20,000.00 for the plans and specifications with the City paying for half of the

cost to hire an architect. He further stated that authorizing the architect to design the plans and specifications for the remodeling/expansion of the Animal Control Center will provide the City Council with a firm cost of the project so that they can make a final decision on their participation. Eric Benne of 3311 Crystal Drive stated that he was present if the City Council had any questions.

Council Member Davidson questioned what if the cost for the architect to draw up the plans and specifications ends up costing \$30,000.00. Eric Benne stated that he had a conversation with the architect and was told that \$22,000.00 would

be the high point for the plans and specifications. Mayor Ell stated that presently the City spends \$36,000.00 for an Animal Control Officer and approximately \$46,000.00 in expenses for a total cost of approximately \$82,000.00. He stated that if the City assumed the operation of the facility the cost would be approximately \$133,000.00 due to cost of additional staff and operating costs. He stated that the partnership with the Des Moines County

Humane Society needs to continue due to economics. Council Member Murray stated that since the Animal Control Center is owned by the City of Burlington, the Des Moines County Humane Society is giving the City \$700,000.00 toward the remodeling/expansion project. Council Member Davidson stated that he wanted an upperlimit number that the City will spend for the architect to draw up the plans and specifications. Eric Benne suggested that the upperlimit amount may be \$11,000.00 for the City's share per the architect. Council Member Davidson

then made a motion to amend the last sentence of the Resolution Authorizing Participation in Design of Improvements to Animal Control Center to now read as follows: That the City's share of such project be up to and no more than \$11,000.00. Council Member Fleming seconded the motion. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 5 - AYES)

ADOPTED

Introduced By: Davidson Seconded By: Fleming

2. Motion to Amend the Last Sentence of the Resolution Authorizing Participation

in Design of Improvements to Animal Control Center to Now Read as Follows: That the City's share of such project be up to and no more than \$11,000.00.

DISCUSSION: None.

(VOTE: 5 - AYES)

CARRIED

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: Libba Flores of 1448 West Avenue and Teresa Fisher of 24

Cascade thanked the City Council for their openness and hope for animals and the

people who work at the Animal Control Center. Teresa Fisher also stated that the Animal Control Center provides a safe haven for residents of Des Moines County to leave their animals when they can no longer care for them. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Adjournment: 6:48 p.m.

Approved: February 7, 2011

Kathleen P. Salisbury, MMC
City Clerk

William L. Ell
Mayor

(See tapes on file in the office of the City Clerk for complete discussion and documentation.)

ITEM I.
Consent Agenda

FINANCES AND MISCELLANEOUS
Minutes of Previous Meetings
Payroll and City Claims

BEER, LIQUOR, WINE AND CIGARETTES

REPORTS AND BONDS

RESOLUTION:

1. Resolution Awarding the Purchase of Patrol Squad Cars for the Police Department

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS: FEBRUARY 7, 2011

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Rezoning the Property Locally Known as 2900 Summer Street from R-1, Single-Family Residential to R-2, Single-Family Residential (Non-Traditional) Zoning District

2. Consideration of Sale of 703 Summer Street, City of Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa