

of Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa

DISCUSSION: None.

(VOTE: 5 - â AYESâ)

ADOPTED

4. Statement: Consideration of an Ordinance Rezoning the Properties Locally Known as 2270 and 2280 Florence Avenue to Include a Planned Unit Development (The Masters PUD) Overlay Zone as Allowed by Section 17.20.40 of Title 17 of the

Burlington Municipal Code

COMMENTS: The Development Director stated that the developer could not be at the meeting and had requested the public hearing be continued to the March 19, 2012 City Council meeting. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: McCampbell

Seconded By: Anderson

Motion to Continue the Public Hearing for Consideration of an Ordinance Rezoning

the Properties Locally Known as 2270 and 2280 Florence Avenue to Include a Planned Unit Development (The Masters PUD) Overlay Zone as Allowed by Section 17.20.40 of Title 17 of the Burlington Municipal Code to the March 19, 2012 City

Council Meeting

DISCUSSION: None.

(VOTE: 5 - â AYESâ)

CARRIED

5. Statement: Consideration of a Permanent Encroachment Agreement Between the City of Burlington and the Capitol Theater Foundation for Encroachment into North 3rd Street Right-of-Way for the Building at 207-209, 211 North 3rd Street,

Burlington, Iowa

COMMENTS: The Planning and Development Director stated that the proposed encroachment agreement was between the City and the Capitol Theater Foundation for a ramp access, railings, stairs and bollards within the North 3rd Street right-of-way adjacent to the Capitol Theater. Council Member Anderson stated that she would refrain from voting as she is on the board of the Capitol Theater

Foundation. Stan Stratton of 2809 Shamrock Drive asked who was paying for all the improvements. The Planning and Development Director stated that the Capitol

Theater Foundation was paying for all of the improvements. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: McCampbell

Seconded By: Reed

Motion to Close

CARRIED

Introduced By: McCampbell

Seconded By: Reed

Resolution Approving a Permanent Encroachment Agreement Between the City of Burlington and the Capitol Theater Foundation for Encroachment into North 3rd Street Right-of-Way for the Building at 207-209, 211 North 3rd Street, Burlington, Iowa

DISCUSSION: None.

(VOTE: 4 - â AYESâ McCampbell, Reed, Davidson, Fleming

6. Statement: Consideration of Fiscal Year Budget 2012-2013

COMMENTS: The Finance Director/Treasurer reviewed the following items of the proposed fiscal year 2012-2013 budget: total proposed budget \$56,862,693.00 (an increase of \$5,888,700.00 or 11.00%); proposed property tax rate \$15.0573 (increase of \$.0381); property tax rate calculated; taxable valuation \$713,850,721.00 (up 5%); TIF valuation \$57,518,069.00 (up 3%); regular valuation

\$656,332,652.00 (up 5%); comparison of expenditures by program; capitol projects

fund; factors impacting the budget; property valuation rollback (residential 50.75% and commercial 100%); solid waste fund (\$.65 increase); sewer fund (9.0% increase in sewer user fees July 1, 2012); hotel/motel tax fund \$660,000.00 in hotel motel tax revenue (50/50 split between City and Convention and Visitors Bureau up to \$600,000.00, then 65% City and 35% Convention and Visitors Bureau);

Hotel/Motel Tax; Sales Tax Fund (Local Option Sales Tax Revenue \$4,100,000.00) and Sales Tax Fund. Stan Stratton of 2809 Shamrock Drive stated that the City canâ t support everyoneâ s fun, such as baseball, the RecPlex and Flint Hills Golf

Course. He stated that he was on social security and his payroll does not go up

to support these items. Council Member Reed stated that the RecPlex has major tournaments during the summer and they bring in revenue through the hotel/motel tax. Council Member McCampbell stated that it was not about money, but keeping a service going. Council Member Anderson stated that the Council needs to look at the bigger picture of what those services bring into our community. Leon Shahan of 1821 Mt. Pleasant Street stated that he found the hotel/motel tax irritating as he felt it supports non-essential services. He further stated that he felt the war on drugs was stupid and the City needed to quit that war as

it never ends. He further stated that the City was losing money on the swimming

pool, Memorial Auditorium, transit system, depot, airport, convention and tourism, employee benefits and economic development. He stated that Cascade Bridge project was ridiculous and that recycling costs needs to be controlled. Mayor Davidson stated that the dollar amount Leon Shahan mentioned were inaccurate. Council Member McCampbell stated that money spent on the swimming pool was not money down the drain. Eric Renteria of 907 High Street stated that

an 11% increase in the budget would present a challenge to the public whose incomes are going down. He questioned what the Councilâ s priorities were and what they were trying to accomplish with the budget. Council Member Anderson stated that both she and Council Member McCampbell were new to the Council. She

stated that the budget was done prior to them starting on the Council as so many

things are set a year ahead. She stated that the Council scrutinized the budget, but a lot of changes cannot be done in 2-months. She stated that the City needed to have more money in reserves. Eric Renteria of 907 High Street stated that \$560,000.00 for the trail system was a waste of money. The Finance Director/Treasurer stated that the Cityâ s portion was only \$56,000.00, which w

as already bonded for and the City received \$504,000.00 in grants. Eric Renteria of 907 High Street stated that he has asked the Chamber of Commerce for a copy of their budget as he would like to see what they are spending their money on. Mayor Davidson stated that the Council receives a monthly budget report from the

Convention and Tourism Bureau. Tim Scott of 2017 South 15th Street stated that he was glad to see the City was budgeting money for the sealcoat program and the

demolition program. Bill Ell of 218 Gratton Street stated that the jobs that Leon Shahan was talking about was the Targeted Jobs Withholding Tax Credit Program, which were not City's dollars. He further stated that the business was

still being held accountable by the State. He stated that the Council's job is

to provide infrastructure and quality of life. He further stated that the RecPlex and the Memorial Auditorium were a quality of life issue and the City will have to subsidize these to some extent as they are important to the community. He stated that the Council needed to decide if they can afford the pool. He stated that the Council has to be compelled to look at the big picture

and what was the best for the most. He further stated that he was glad to see the Council had the demolition program in the budget. Council Member Fleming stated that the budget set was the maximum amount of money that the City can spend and the new City Manager may find ways to cut the budget. He stated that \$18,314,000.00 for personnel cost needed to be looked at. Council Member Reed agreed 100% with Council Member Fleming. He further stated that by not bonding for the Animal Shelter and Cascade Bridge has saved the taxpayers money. He also stated that many of the items that Leon Shahan wanted to get rid of are items that make Burlington a place for people to live here. Mayor Davidson thanked the Finance Director/Treasurer for her work on preparing the budget and her presentation. He also stated that the local option sales tax expires December 2012 and he was asking the public to support the local option sales tax

at the August 7, 2012 special election as those money fund \$4,100,000.00 of the City's budget. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Reed
Motion to Close

Seconded By: McCampbell
CARRIED

Introduced By: Reed
Resolution Approving Fiscal Year Budget 2012-2013

Seconded By: Fleming

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 5 - AYES)

ADOPTED

RESOLUTIONS:

Introduced By: Reed

Seconded By: McCampbell

1. Resolution Approving Cascade Bridge, Amendment to Engineering Services Agreement

DISCUSSION: The Public Works Director stated that the proposed Resolution provides for Klingner and Associates to provide a complete evaluation of the existing Cascade Bridge structure. He stated that in order to access the \$1,000,000.00 Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program funding available for this project, the City needs to satisfy all IDOT, SHPO and FHWA requirements. He stated that Klingner and Associates made three attempts at finding a sub-consultant in order to avoid any appearance of a predetermined evaluation outcome. Klingner and Associates did receive a proposal from Modjeski and Masters for \$84,709.64, but their proposal did not include evaluating the concrete piers and abutments. Due to the excessive cost of the proposal by Modjeski and Masters, it was decided to ask Klingner and Associates to provide a proposal to complete the evaluation of the existing structure

opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 5 - â AYESâ)

ADOPTED

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: Tim Scott of 2017 South 15th Street stated that the improvements being made at Greenway were very attractive. He stated that the Pierson family has done a great job with the southwest subarea. He stated that there will now be a mini mall and a Hardees located in that area to finish those

lots. He stated that there was a sign by Holiday Inn Express that there was a mini mall coming. He stated that with the Winegard Company project there are businesses looking to relocate, which is all good for the community. He stated that Case Company had a successful job fair and was hoping to hire 300 employees

this year. He stated that his son was hired at Dresser Rand five years ago and since then Dresser Rand has hired 69 more employees. He stated that he saw in the newspaper where Dresser Rand were hiring more employees. He stated that COBO has no place for their employees to park now as their business is growing and their employees were now parking along the street. He further stated that he hoped the fertilizer plant decides to build near Burlington as it would add 175 jobs and 2,000 construction jobs. He told the Council they needed to be prepared for growth as there were a lot of positive things happening in Burlington including lots of construction in the downtown. Council Member Reed stated that the additional strip malls and store fronts downtown being used will

help the Manor Revisited Project. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Adjournment: 8:11 p.m.

Approved: March 19, 2012

Kathleen P. Salisbury, MMC
City Clerk

Jim Davidson
Mayor

(See recording 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

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution Awarding Contract for the 2012 Crystal Drive Reconstruction
2. Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Agreement with Piper Jaffray and Company to Serve as Dissemination Agent for Secondary Market Disclosure

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2012 Cascade Watershed Sewer Separation Project, Phase I (March 19, 2012)
2. Consideration of Annual Consolidated Transit Funding Application (April 16, 2012)

APPOINTMENTS:

Library Board of Trustees: Jennifer Klever-Kirkman