

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF HAYS, KANSAS
HELD ON FEBRUARY 23, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: The Governing Body of the City of Hays, Kansas met in regular session on Thursday, February 23, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Henry Schwaller IV

Ron Mellick

Chairperson Wasinger declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

2. MINUTES: There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the regular session held on February 9, 2012; the minutes stand approved as presented.

3. FINANCIAL STATEMENT: Finance Director Kim Rupp reported that month-to-date sales tax collections for the Sports Complex were \$248,973, which was an increase of \$27,238 when compared to last year. Total year-to-date collections are \$248,973 and inception-to-date collections total \$7,190,056. Using averages over the last few years of collections and not factoring in any growth, the Finance Director predicted that total collections for the Sports Complex will reach \$10.5 to \$10.7 million by the time the sales tax expires on March 31, 2013. General Fund sales tax collections for January 2012 were \$611,353, up \$68,218 or 12.56% when compared to last year. The six month running average on sales tax collections has increased to 8.37%.

The Finance/City Clerk's Office invested \$7,500,000 of maturing or renewing certificates with a weighted average interest rate of .27%. The portfolio of certificates of deposit on January 31, 2012 totaled \$46,300,000 with a weighted average interest rate of .30%. The total balance of the Money Market

account on January 31, 2012 was \$550,000 with a current yield of .20%. Total investments are up \$7,050,000 when compared to this time last year.

Ron Mellick moved, Henry Schwaller IV seconded, that the Financial Statement for the month of January 2012 be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Henry Schwaller IV

Ron Mellick

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS: There were no comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: A. Henry Schwaller IV moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the following mayoral appointments be approved:

Fort Hays Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board

Jim Krob – unexpired term to expire July 1, 2014

Sister Cities Advisory Board

Armando Orozco – unexpired term to expire January 1, 2014

Carol Solko-Oliff – three-year term to expire January 1, 2015

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Henry Schwaller IV

Ron Mellick

B. Chairperson Wasinger presented the following proposed mayoral appointments which will be presented for approval at the March 8, 2012 Commission meeting:

CARE Council

Michael Billinger – two-year term to expire March 1, 2014

Sister Cities Advisory Board

Greg Sund – three-year term to expire January 1, 2015

NEW BUSINESS

6. OVERLAND PROPERTY GROUP, LLC – RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT:

Chairperson Wasinger and Commissioner Schwaller recused themselves from discussion and vote on this issue due to a conflict of interest. They left the Commission chambers.

Overland Property Group, LLC has submitted an application for Section 42 tax credits to help finance the construction of additional affordable housing in Hays. They plan to develop rental housing south of East 22nd Street, directly south of Hays Med Center, consisting of 16 units with potential for future expansion. As part of the tax process, Overland Property Group is required to request and receive a Resolution of Support from the City of Hays. Matt Gilliam, Development Coordinator for Overland Property Group, presented information relating to this project, which will be known as Tallgrass Apartments.

Kent Steward moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that Resolution No. 2012-001, being a resolution supporting the proposed development of affordable rental housing to be located south of East 22nd Street in Hays, Kansas, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

Not Voting: Barbara Wasinger

Henry Schwaller IV

Chairperson Wasinger and Commissioner Schwaller returned to the Commission chambers after the vote.

7. UPDATE ON RECYCLING EFFORTS:

I. D. Creech, Public Works Director, presented a review of the recycling program that was implemented in 1995 with a matching grant from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment to develop a compost site. Over the past 17 years, in addition to the compost site, the City implemented paper, plastic, glass, tin and aluminum recycling programs which have been well received by the general public and are considered successful.

8. 2012 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM – AWARD OF BIDS: Henry Schwaller IV moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that the following bids for the 2012 Street Maintenance Program be approved:

A.	B & H Paving	\$359,762.92
B.	Stripe & Seal	68,880.00
C.	McCormick Excavating & Paving	313,341.62
D.	CPB Materials	98,630.00
E.	J Corp	79,446.00
TOTAL		\$920,060.54

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Henry Schwaller IV
Ron Mellick

Discussion was held about adding more streets to the 2012 Street Maintenance Program list. Public Works staff will research if this is possible and report back at the March 1, 2012 work session.

9. VINE STREET RECONSTRUCTION (13TH TO 22ND) – DESIGN SERVICES:

The City has received KDOT funding in the amount of \$800,000 for the reconstruction of Vine Street from 13th to 27th Street. The first phase (22nd to 27th) was reconstructed in 2011. The second phase (13th to 22nd) is scheduled for reconstruction in 2013. Cook, Flatt and Strobel Engineers was the design engineer for the first phase of construction. They have submitted a supplement to the previous professional engineering service agreement for the final design of the second phase of construction.

Ron Mellick moved, Henry Schwaller IV seconded, that the City Manager be authorized to execute the Supplemental Agreement with Cook, Flatt and Strobel for professional services related to the reconstruction of Vine Street from 13th to 22nd Street in the amount of \$26,900.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Henry Schwaller IV
Ron Mellick

10. TAXI LICENSE APPLICATION: Troy Hickman moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the Taxi License Application submitted by Scott Plush, dba Best Cab, be approved.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Henry Schwaller IV
Ron Mellick

11. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER: Assistant City Manager Paul Briseno presented a monthly report of activities and projects undertaken by City employees during the month of January.

12. COMMISSION INQUIRIES AND COMMENTS: Commissioner Mellick complimented Public Works staff on the quality of their work replacing sections of deteriorating concrete on city streets.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

City Clerk