

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger
Troy Hickman
Kent Steward
Ron Mellick

NEW BUSINESS

6. VEHICLE ABATEMENT AT 603 OAK: The two abandoned vehicles at 603 Oak have expired tags deeming them inoperable. All proper notification has been given to the owner who has not taken any action to abate the nuisance.

Troy Hickman moved, Kent Steward seconded, that Resolution No. 2011-009, being a resolution authorizing the City of Hays or its designated agent to abate the nuisance located on the property at 603 Oak, Hays, Kansas, be approved.

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7. BICKLE-SCHMIDT SPORTS COMPLEX SIGNAGE AWARD OF BID: The low bid for the manufacture and installation of signage at the Bickle-Schmidt Sports Complex, in the amount of \$161,485, was submitted by Star Sign, LLC of Lawrence, Kansas. \$120,785 will be funded out of the Sports Complex Sales Tax, and \$40,700 will be reimbursed to the City by Fort Hays State University for signs associated with the FHSU soccer facility. The low bid came in \$13,785 over the budgeted amount but will be covered by contingency funds.

Assistant Public Works Director John Braun reviewed the proposal and signage plan for the complex.

Troy Hickman moved, Ron Mellick seconded, that the City Manager be authorized to execute a contract with Star Sign, LLC for signage at the Bickle-Schmidt Sports Complex, in the amount of \$161,485, with \$120,785 to be funded

out of the Sports Complex Sales Tax and \$40,700 to be reimbursed to the City by Fort Hays State University.

Commissioner Steward stated that he will not vote in favor of accepting the bid. He thinks this would be a good opportunity to economize and feels that City staff could make the signs for a fraction of the cost, saving close to \$100,000.

Chairperson Wasinger stated that one of the things that the Commission has talked about over the years is to have uniform signage throughout the city, to brand Hays with the same signage so people can identify the signage with Hays and know and recognize Hays. For that reason she will be voting on the proposal.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Ron Mellick

No: Kent Steward

8. 46TH STREET ADDITION PHASE II AWARD OF BID: Ron Mellick moved, Kent Steward seconded, that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract with APAC-Kansas Inc., in the amount of \$137,122.60 for the construction of street, water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer improvements within the Replat of a Portion of the 46th St. Addition.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

Troy Hickman

Kent Steward

Ron Mellick

9. ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE BIDS FOR 2011-2013 CONTRACT: Every two years, the Department of Transportation (DOT) sends out requests for air service to the five western Kansas airports that receive Essential Air Service (EAS) funding. The process is underway for the selection of the airline for the 2011-2013 contract period. City staff has evaluated the proposals submitted by Great Lakes Airlines, SkyWest Airlines, Seaport Airlines, and Air Choice One Airlines.

Public Works Director Brenda Herrman discussed the proposals submitted by the four companies and recommended the Commission authorize a letter to the Department of Transportation supporting the selection of Great Lakes Airlines for the next contract period. Great Lakes is capable of using the cross-wind runway should the main runway need to be repaired or replaced, which the FAA has programmed for 2012. This year Great Lakes bid a package deal on all five of the western Kansas airports that receive ESA funding; in years past they bid on each airport separately – this year it is all or nothing.

Garden City has selected American Eagle for this 2-year period; Dodge City has selected Seaport, which is also Great Bend's first choice, with Great Lakes as their second choice. Liberal will be staying with Great Lakes. The Public Works Director stated that Great Lakes would have to re-bid or negotiate with the Department of Transportation, since they bid on all five airports as a package deal.

Kent Steward moved, Troy Hickman seconded, that a letter be drafted to the Department of Transportation recommending Great Lakes Airlines as the commercial carrier providing air service at the Hays Regional Airport for the 2011-2013 contract period.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

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10. ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HAYS AND SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION (SEIU) LOCAL 513:

Harold Schlectweg, business representative for SEIU Local 513, addressed the Commission about the concerns of the union members concerning health insurance benefits.

Ron Mellick moved, Barbara Wasinger seconded, that the City Manager, Directors of Parks, Public Works, and Utilities sign the 2012 Addendum to the 2010 through 2012 SEIU Contract.

Vote: Ayes: Barbara Wasinger

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11. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER: The City Manager had no additional items to report on.

12. COMMISSION INQUIRIES AND COMMENTS: There were no comments or inquiries.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

City Clerk