

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT THE CITY OF NORTH KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 15, 2016

Work Session

The work session was for the purpose of considering uses for a half-cent Public Safety Sales Tax that is expected to be put before the City's voters in April, 2017. The tax, if approved, is expected to raise \$1.7 million in revenue in the following fiscal year. Materials presented in the City Council's work session packet outlined proposals by the Chief of Police, Fire Chief and City Administrator for using funds that would be raised by the tax.

Action taken: The City Council approved the proposals outlined by staff. An ordinance to put the tax on the April, 2017 ballot will be prepared for City Council approval. City staff will begin putting together an educational campaign for City voters as to what the tax will be used for if approved.

Consent Agenda

- Minutes from the Work Session and Regular Meeting of November 1, 2016 and the Municipal Court Report for October, 2016, were approved.

Regular Items

- **Cerner Corporation Chapter 100 Application [Bill No. 7159 (Ordinance No. 8956)]**

The City has received an application from Cerner Properties, Inc. (Cerner), an existing North Kansas City company, for an economic development incentive authorized by Chapter 100 of Missouri Statutes. Cerner intends to build a new "Demonstration Center" facility on the North Kansas City campus for both existing and potential clients. On October 18, 2016, the City Council adopted a resolution indicating its intent to issue industrial development revenue bonds in a principal amount of approximately \$35 million to finance this project. Now before Council for approval is an ordinance approving the plan for the project and authorizing the City to issue the bonds.

Approved.

- **Engineering Services for Armour Road Redevelopment Area (ARRA) – Master Agreement Work Order Number 12 (Resolution No. 16-087)**

Before Council is a work order from the City's ARRA consulting engineer, Olsson Associates, for inspections and materials testing for the Railroad Avenue construction project to ensure that fill, concrete, subgrades, and pavement are installed to plan specifications and City standards. Olsson's Scope of Services will be provided on a time and expense basis not to exceed \$6,900.

Approved.

- **Restoration of Certain Retiree Health Insurance Benefits for Certain Employees (Resolution No. 16-085)**

At its work session of November 1, 2016, the City Council discussed a change that was made in 2011 regarding subsidization of retiree health insurance premiums, and directed that a measure be brought before the Council with regard to a specific set of retirees to restore the previous benefit. In his memo, the City Administrator outlines the benefits that would be restored to the individual employees. A resolution implementing the measure discussed at the November 1st work session has been prepared for Council approval.

Approved.

- **Award of Contract – Water/Sewer Rate Study (Resolution No. 16-086)**

As the Council is aware, the City is anticipating the need to rehabilitate the City's water plant and various wells, along with other capital improvements, at an estimated cost of approximately \$13.7 million dollars. Options for financing the project include financing entirely from water rates, financing entirely from the Gaming Fund, some combination of the two, or purchasing water from Kansas City. Further, the last water and sewer rate study was completed in 2008, therefore it is timely that the rates for both systems be re-examined. In its memo, staff reviews the results of procurement of this study and recommends award of contract to Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.

Approved.

- **Approval of Change Order – Core Drillings – Recreation Center Parking Lot**

The design team for the new NKC Recreation Center is suggesting a small change order on the existing design contract for the Center, namely that core

drillings be performed on the parking lot for the Center in order to better determine the underlying condition of the lot. A change order in the amount of \$850.00 is recommended.

Approved.

- **Budget Amendment – Removal of Underground Storage Tank – W. 10th Avenue Reconstruction Project (Resolution No. 16-088)**

Construction plans to extend West 10th Avenue approximately 650 feet to the west of Atlantic Street were completed in 2014 by the City's consulting engineers, Shafer, Kline, and Warren. Last year, the City acquired the property needed to extend the street, and the project was turned over to the North Kansas City Road District for construction. In his memo the Public Works Director notes that an underground fuel storage tank was discovered in the City's newly acquired right-of-way, incurring costs for removal as described in the staff memo. The work was done in the last fiscal year. A resolution amending the FY 2016 budget in the amount of \$43,072 has been prepared for Council approval.

Approved.

- **Planning Sustainable Places Grant Agreement (Resolution No. 16-089)**

Last spring, the City applied to the Mid America Regional Council's (MARC) Planning Sustainable Places (PSP) program for grant funds to support the development of a "complete street" plan for Armour Road between Ozark and Burlington. The goal of this project is to develop plans for improvements to Armour that better serve vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians, similar to the work that was done in 2015-16 for the Burlington corridor. The City's application scored well, and in September, the MARC Board approved \$100,000 in grant funds for our project. Now before Council is an agreement between the City and MARC laying out the City's matching payment of \$25,000 and the division of duties for accomplishing the project. The desired outcome of this project is the development of conceptual plans for improvements to Armour, including project phasing. Further applications for federal funds through MARC to support construction of improvements are anticipated.

Approved.

- **Call for the April 2017 Municipal Election [Bill No. 7157 (Ordinance No. 8954)]**

Before each election, the City is required to pass an ordinance calling for that election. Attached is the ordinance calling for our General Election to be held on

April 4, 2017. This year's election will be for the election of a Councilmember from each Ward, Mayor, and City Treasurer. The filing for declaration of candidacy will be open from 8:00 AM on December 13, 2016 until 5:00 PM on January 17, 2017.

Approved.

- **Approving Accounts Due and Payable by the City through November 11, 2016. {Bill No. 7158 (Ordinance No. 8955)}.**

Approved.