

**CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2010, 6:30 P.M.
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call at 6:31 p.m.

Mayor Burget- present	Mertz- present	Nolin- present
Riding- present	Sloan- present	Warren- present

City Officials Present: Jeff Mark, Randy Pierce, John Gray, Jerry Whetstone, Aaron Putnam, John Shaw, Karen Oppelt, Amy Hill, City Attorney Bob Laden

Audience Present: Brent Culp, Randy Downs, Eric Keinen, Tina Hadden, Dennis Keller, Bruce Mason, Dean O'Connor, Paula Winslow, Gary Palmer, Ryder Brown, Brandon Gillaspay, Caleb Smith, Jordyn Patterson, Greg Patterson, Taylor Ritchart, Melissa Dhren, Aliya Ussinova, Ashley Ahrens, Tanner Rampy, Doug Rampy, Annette Rampy, Colton Thomas, Gary Helm, Teresa Helm, Scott Temple, Mattia Hansen, Sandie Hamilton, Luke Mengnesser, Madalyn Bryja, Krista Kielsmeier

2. Perfecting and approval of the agenda

Mayor Tim Burget requested to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

3. Approval of March 15, 2010, Council Minutes

Mayor Burget requested a motion to approve minutes as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 2 Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)

4. Citizens request to address council

Tina Hadden, 1018 Brookview Drive, Altoona, asked for the council to reconsider including the Altoona Leadership program in the next fiscal year. Council Member Stacey Warren stated she was in support of including this next year. Council Member Kyle Mertz also stated his support. Council Member Gerald Nolin agreed with Council Member Warren and Mertz. Mayor Burget stated that he and City Administrator Jeff Mark would work with Tina to present the council with some options on funding the program for the next fiscal year.

5. Public Hearing for Plans, Specifications, and form of contract for Altoona Soccer Park – Phase II

Mayor Burget stated this is the public hearing for the plans, specifications, and form of contract for the Altoona Soccer Park-Phase II. City Administrator Mark explained this project includes the development of restrooms, concession and storage buildings, parking areas, a synthetic turf field, trail connections, a playground/plaza area and landscaping. The public improvements include the extension of sanitary sewer from the north, extension of water main from NE 38th Avenue and construction of approximately 900' of 10th Avenue.

Open Hearing at 6:40 pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Close Hearing at 6:41 pm

6. **Resolution to approve the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimated costs for the City of Altoona Soccer Park – Phase II**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #01 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THE CITY OF ALTOONA SOCCER PARK – PHASE II

Mayor Burget explained the estimated cost of the project was \$4,475,876; the budget has available funds of \$5,000,000 for this project and the project related costs. City Administrator Mark stated there were three bids received, the low bid of \$3,072,558.25 was submitted by the Elder Corporation. The bid also included four alternate bid items for consideration.

City Administrator Mark explained the alternate bid items. Alternate Bid item 16.1 was already included in the cost of the original bid. Alternate Bid item 16.2 was to deduct concession equipment. Elder's deduct totaled \$11,253. Alternate Bid item 16.3 was for the Awards Wall and Soccer Plaza. Elder's bid was \$80,000. Alternate Bid item 16.4 requested the bidders to provide for an additional cost or deduction to construct an asphalt parking lot instead of a concrete parking lot. Elder's bid was for an increased cost of \$132,848.

Council Member Warren motioned approval of the bid subject to no alternate bid items being included at this time. Council Member Mertz seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

7. **Resolution to approve the Contract and Bond for the City of Altoona Soccer Park – Phase II**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #02 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONTRACT AND BOND FOR THE CITY OF ALTOONA SOCCER PARK – PHASE II

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren 2 Nolin (5-0)

8. **Resolution making award of the Contract for the City of Altoona Soccer Park – Phase II**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #03 RESOLUTION MAKING AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE CITY OF ALTOONA SOCCER PARK – PHASE II

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan 2 Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

9. **Public Hearing to consider water ordinance changes**

Mayor Burget explained this public hearing was to consider changes to the water ordinance. City Administrator Mark stated the changes include that 1) water service will be restored after disconnections between the hours of 8 am and 4:30 pm, 2) all payments will be made at city hall during regular office hours, and 3) the fee for service restoration will be \$25 during regular office hours and will be \$75 for after hours.

Open Hearing at 6:53 pm

Public Comment: No one came forward to speak.

Close Hearing at 6:54 pm

10. **Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Altoona, Iowa, 2004, by amending Chapter 92**
ORDINANCE NO. 4-5-2010 #1 (319) AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTOONA, IOWA, 2004, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 92
Roll Call Vote: (1st Reading)
Y Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 2 Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)
Roll Call Vote: (Waive 2nd & 3rd Reading)
Y Mertz 2 Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
Roll Call Vote: (to publish)
Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
11. **Resolution to approve a preliminary plat for Prairie Vista Plat 4**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #04 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR PRAIRIE VISTA PLAT 4
Mayor Burget stated Vista Real Estate Corporation is preparing to develop Prairie Vista plats 4 and 5. The combined area is 20.02 acres and 54 lots. Snyder & Associates Engineer Eric Keinen, 2727 Snyder Blvd., Ankeny, representing Vista Real Estate Corp. presented the plans for Plat 4 and 5. Both plats will be graded now, but the infrastructure will only be constructed for plat 4 at this time. The detention areas are proposed to be dry bottom areas.
Roll Call Vote:
Y Mertz Y Sloan 2 Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
12. **Resolution to approve a preliminary plat for Prairie Vista Plat 5**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #05 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR PRAIRIE VISTA PLAT 5
Roll Call Vote:
2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
13. **Resolution to approve a site plan for Hilton Garden Inn at Prairie Meadows**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #06 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A SITE PLAN FOR HILTON GARDEN INN AT PRAIRIE MEADOWS
Mayor Burget stated the proposed hotel is being developed by the Kinseth Hospitality Group of Clear Lake, IA. Snyder & Associates Engineer Randy Downs, 2727 Snyder Blvd, Ankeny, spoke for Kinseth Hospitality Group and Prairie Meadows interest. He stated the hotel is four stories tall, about 65 feet to the peak. The first floor will consist mainly of expanded meeting room space, a swimming pool, lobby, restaurant, kitchen, etc. The second, third and fourth floors are hotel guest rooms. In total, there is 132,254 square feet of new space. The sanitary sewer connection has not been finalized yet but staff and the project engineers continue to work on a solution. Council Member Mertz motioned approval subject to sanitary sewer issues being resolved. Council Member Warren seconded the motion.
Roll Call Vote:
1 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)
14. **Resolution to approve a final plat for Knox Ridge (County Plat)**
Resolution #4-5-2010 #07 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A FINAL PLAT FOR KNOX RIDGE (COUNTY PLAT)
Mayor Burget explained this plat is located on the south side of NE 27th Avenue and the west side of NE 64th Street, outside the corporate limits of Altoona, but within our statutory review area.
Roll Call Vote:
Y Mertz 2 Sloan 1 Riding Y Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

15. Paula Winslow to present sculpture idea for Enabling Gardens

Mayor Burget stated the Master Gardeners are requesting council approval to erect a sculpture at the enabling gardens. Master Gardener Paula Winslow, 524 3rd St. NW, explained the sculpture will have a beneficial insects theme. The first planned sculpture is of a praying mantis. Ms. Winslow continued that the gardeners are trying to use the sculpture for education and art. John Brommel, 2614 Columbia, Des Moines, stated he was very excited to be able to do this project.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

16. Consider request for funding for Bike to Work Week

Mayor Burget explained the request for the City of Altoona to again participate in the "Bike to Work Week". The cost of participation is \$500. Tina Hadden, 1018 Brookview Dr., Altoona, shared about Bike to Week events.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding 1 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

17. Consider amendment to DART agreement

Mayor Burget stated this amendment would allow DART to issue \$3,500,000 of G.O. Debt to cover their incurred liabilities for bus accidents. Skip Conkling, our DART representative for Altoona, Mitchellville, Bondurant and Runnells, 516 6th St. NW, explained DART currently has a line-of-credit with Bankers Trust at 5% rate with a 5-year payment schedule. DART has a budget of \$375,500 for debt service and the current payment on the line-of-credit is \$680,000, which creates a \$304,500 short fall for FY 2010/11. The amendment will allow DART to refinance this debt at a lower interest rate for 10-years.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz Y Sloan 1 Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

18. Consider Management Agreement for Altoona Aquatics Park with Greater Altoona Campus

Mayor Burget explained this is the same agreement that was approved this past year. City Administrator Mark explained staff will be meeting with Bruce Mason to develop a plan for creating a maintenance and repair fund for the Aquatics Park.

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)

19. Consent Agenda

a) **Allow Bills**

b) **Capital Project**

B1) Pay # 3 - Altoona Fire Station Addition - Edge Commercial, LLC - \$41,665.90

c) **Consider amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Snyder & Associates – Altoona Soccer Park – Phase 2 Improvements Project**

d) **Consider Professional Services Agreement with Snyder & Associates – NE Hubbell Avenue Water Main Improvements 2010**

e) **Set a public hearing for April 19, 2010 at 6:30 pm to consider a request from Tuscany Reserve LLC to amend the comprehensive plan land use map to change approximately 20.5 acres from low density residential to medium density residential (Tracts 6 & 7 of the PUD)**

f) **Set a public hearing for April 19, 2010 at 6:30 pm to consider a request from Tuscany Reserve LLC to amend the Tuscany development plan to increase density in Tracts 6 & 7, to reduce the minimum lot size, reduce the lot widths, and change location of some large single-family lots**

g) **Set a public hearing for April 19, 2010 at 6:30 pm to consider development agreement with Prairie Meadows**

Roll Call Vote:

2 Mertz Y Sloan Y Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)

20. Beer & Liquor Permits

a) **Hy-Vee – Class E (Store)**

Police Chief Gray stated that there were no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

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b) **Big Steer – Class C (Commercial)**

Police Chief Gray stated that there were no violations at this establishment.

Roll Call Vote:

Y Mertz 1 Sloan Y Riding 2 Warren Y Nolin (5-0)

21. General Business Items/Reports and Updates

*Council Member Warren reminded staff and council of the annual meeting for Metro Waste Authority.

*Council Member Riding stated the committee continues to work on the storm water utility

22. Adjourn

Roll Call Vote at 7:24 pm:

Y Mertz 2 Sloan Y Riding Y Warren 1 Nolin (5-0)

Attest to:

Amy S. Hill, Secretary

Timothy Burget, Mayor