

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009, 5:30 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session was called to order at City Council Chambers by Mayor Diane Weldin at 5:30 p.m. Council members in attendance were Patrick Palmer, Bill Hodge, Chad Hanson, Karen Schmidt, Craig Eckhardt and Steve Harms. Mayor Weldin invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Weldin called for a motion to approve the **agenda**. Motion by Hanson. Second by Harms. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Mayor Weldin invited those wishing to make public comment to address the Council. Daniel Schipper, 1615 3rd Street NE, spoke on behalf of the Fire Department with updates on fund raising for the proposed purchase of a truck. Ted Guldborg, 114 1st Avenue SE, requested more time be given to pool issues; questions spending \$3.5 million on a pool.

Public Hearing in regard to consideration of proposed plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimate of cost for the "Highway 65 (4th Street NE) Reconstruction Project", (Resolution 2009-03); Mayor Weldin opened the hearing at 5:36 p.m., referring comment to Andy Smith of Veenstra & Kimm to provide details and field questions. He provided details, which included a cost estimate, pending temporary construction easement agreements with property owners, DOT override clause, project schedule beginning in June or July of this year, with completion by November 2010. Opportunity was given for public comment; none voiced. Mayor Weldin closed the public hearing at 5:43 p.m.

Committee Reports: Finance and Personnel report given by Eckhardt, reviewing information provided to the Council members regarding the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2009-2010. Motion by Eckhardt, seconded by Harms, to approve proposed FY09-10 Budget, setting Public Hearing for Tuesday, March 10, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., at City Council Chambers. Roll call vote: Ayes – Eckhardt, Schmidt, Harms, Palmer, Hodge and Hanson. Nays – None. Motion approved. City Services report given by Palmer; next meeting March 3rd. Public Assets report given by Hodge; next meeting scheduled for February 17th.

New Business: Debbie Kalousek, Main Street Hampton, addressed the Council, requesting a letter of support from the City for a grant application process. Motion by Hanson, seconded by Hodge, to support Main Street Hampton in its application for a Main Street Challenge Grant, authorizing the Mayor to sign the proposed Letter of Intent to Participate. Motion approved unanimously.

Karen Mitchell, FCDA, gave an activity report to the City Council, noting collective marketing efforts for Highway 65 businesses and the City's financial assistance for this included in the upcoming proposed budget.

Mayor Weldin referred comment to City Manager Dunt for details regarding the awarding of contracts to bidders on the Hampton Rehabilitation Program projects. Motion by Palmer, seconded by Hanson, to award contracts to bidders on Hampton Rehabilitation Program projects, per review & recommendation by Simmering-Corey, Inc., as follows: 828 6th Street SW to S&J Installation in the amount of \$22,675.00; 708 8th Street SW to Huisenga Construction in the amount of \$18,610.00; 512 8th Street SW to S&J Installation in the amount of \$26,900.00. Motion approved unanimously.

Mindy Scheideman addressed the City Council on behalf of Friends of the Hampton Aquatic Center, recommending the City move forward with construction of a new pool, with a combination of fund raising and bond issue pursued to fund the project. They further recommend that the City hire Leslie, Kline, Lukas and Associates to coordinate the fund raising campaign, which will reduce the cost of a

proposed bond. Motion by Harms, seconded by Hanson, to **approve the replacement of the swimming pool with a new aquatic center**. Roll call vote: Ayes – Hodge, Harms, Palmer, Hanson, Schmidt and Eckhardt. Nays – None. Motion approved unanimously. Following additional discussion, motion by Eckhardt, seconded by Schmidt, to **approve fund raising in combination with bond issuance to fund a new aquatic center project**. Roll call vote: Ayes – Hanson, Eckhardt, Schmidt, Palmer and Harms. Nays – Hodge. Motion approved. Motion by Palmer, seconded by Hanson, to **approve the hiring of Leslie, Kline, Lukas and Associates to assist the City in fund raising, grant writing and bond issue campaign for the construction of a new aquatic center**. Roll call vote: Ayes – Palmer, Hanson, Eckhardt, Harms and Schmidt. Nays – Hodge. Motion approved.

Mayor Weldin called for a motion to **approve claims**. Motion by Eckhardt to approve claims, as recommended by the Finance Committee, totaling \$172,106.58. Seconded by Schmidt. Motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Weldin referred comment to City Manager Dunt and Andy Smith of Veenstra & Kimm regarding proposed **Resolution 2009-02, “Resolution approving the Iowa Department of Transportation Agreement for primary Highway Improvement Project Number STP-065-7(33)-2C-35, STP-U-3222(601-27-35).”** Motion by Hanson, seconded by Harms, to approve and adopt Resolution 2009-02. Roll call vote: Ayes – Hanson, Palmer, Harms, Schmidt, Eckhardt, and Hodge. Nays – None. Motion approved, and Resolution 2009-02 adopted.

Motion by Eckhardt, seconded by Hodge, to approve and adopt **Resolution 2009-03, “Resolution adopting plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost.”** Roll call vote: Ayes – Schmidt, Eckhardt, Hanson, Hodge, Harms and Palmer. Nays – None. Motion approved, and Resolution 2009-03 adopted.

Motion by Palmer, seconded by Harms, to approve and adopt **Resolution 2009-04, “Resolution authorizing the redemption of outstanding General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2001, of the City of Hampton, Iowa, dated April 1, 2001, and directing notice of redemption to be given.”** Roll call vote: Ayes – Harms, Schmidt, Eckhardt, Hodge, Palmer and Hanson. Nays – None. Motion approved, and Resolution 2009-04 adopted.

Motion by Hanson to approve the **Consent Agenda**, including previous minutes as drafted for publication from the Tuesday, January 27, 2009, Regular Session Meeting, previous minutes as drafted from the Special Session Budget Workshop, Monday, February 2, 2009, and scheduling the next Regular Session for Tuesday, February 24, 2009. Second by Palmer. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by **Chief Jim Wobschall**, Police Dept.; **Doug Tarr**, Public Works Director; and **Ron Dunt**, City Manager.

Council Reports given by **Harms, Eckhardt, Schmidt, Hanson, and Palmer**. Hodge had nothing to report. **Mayor's Report** given by **Mayor Weldin**, advising she will be unavailable for the listening post scheduled for February 19th.

Motion to adjourn by Harms at 6:53 p.m. Second by Hanson. Motion approved unanimously.
Adjournment 6:53 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Diane Weldin