

Minutes of the June 20, 2016 Hampton City Council Workshop Session

The Council met at 6:00 pm. Members present were; Lukensmeyer, Mollenbeck, Freie, Hickman, Pralle and Davies. Mayor Boehmler called the workshop to order. Also present were Police Chief Bob Schaefer, Public Works Director Doug Tarr and City Manager Ron Dunt.

Mark Crawford, CGA, presented street improvement alternatives for the council to consider. The council had previously prioritized the three block area surrounding Band Shell Park for street reconstruction at an estimated cost of \$800,000. This reconstruction would include total removal of existing pavement and sub-base and replacement of sub-base with new pavement. Crawford did a cost projection for an alternative project that would include mill and overlay (instead of total reconstruction) of the streets surrounding Band Shell Park and mill and overlay of an additional 11 downtown streets plus 3 blocks of 12th Ave NW for a total cost of \$626,000 for a total of 17 blocks. Council will give the alternative consideration and discuss at a future meeting.

Public comment: Larry Odem, 504 8th St. SW informed the council that there are many speeding vehicles on his street and he believes the violators reside in the trailer court. Chief Schaefer will conduct traffic enforcement in the area.

Gary Stenzel, Yard Guide, presented cost estimates for chemical treatment of Pin Oak trees and Ash trees in Band Shell Park. Stenzel explained that the Pin Oak trees are suffering from an iron deficiency that can be treated chemically and the Ash trees could benefit from a preventative application to help ward off the inevitable Emerald Ash Borer. The Hampton Tree Board is supportive of these treatments. Stenzel will work with the city manager on conducting the treatments.

Jay Brower, 105 3rd St SE, representing Tower Center owner Michael Weiland, explained he and Doug Tarr had met with a contractor regarding a plan for Tower Center south wall improvements to bring the property into compliance with city code. Doug will continue to monitor the situation and work with Brower and Weiland.

The Workshop concluded at 7:00 pm.