

July 29, 2013

Proceedings of the City Council of University Heights, Iowa, held at St. Andrew Church, 1300 Melrose Avenue, subject to approval by the Council at a subsequent meeting. ALL VOTES ARE UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Louise From called the July 2013, special council meeting of the University Heights City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor From. Council members: Mike Haverkamp; Rosanne Hopson; Jim Lane; Jan Leff; and Brennan McGrath. Staff present: Attorney Steve Ballard, Police Chief Ron Fort, City Clerk Anderson and City Engineer, Josiah Bilskemper. Also present were: Pat Bauer, Richard Bock, Bob Boelman, June Braverman, Matt Fort, Alice Haugen, Chris Luzzie, Virginia Miller, Kevin Monson, Silvia Quezada, Kent Ralston, Dell Richard, Stuart Rosebrook, Jane Swails, Pamela Villacorta, Larry Wilson, Mary Mathew Wilson, John Yapp and Ken Yeggy, Pat Yeggy.

**Mayor’s Report:** Mayor From thanked St. Andrew church and their staff for providing the meeting space.

**Legal Report:**

**MOTION** by Haverkamp, seconded by Leff, to make no changes to the current plan regarding the MidAmerican Energy overhead utility line on Sunset Street. **Carried.**

Haverkamp - Aye	Leff - Aye
Hopson - Aye	McGrath - Aye
Lane – Aye	

**MOTION** by Hopson, seconded by Leff, to approve Resolution No. 13-14 authorizing the mayor to sign and the clerk to attest a 28E Agreement with the City of Coralville for fire protection services. **Carried.**

Haverkamp - Aye	Leff - Aye
Hopson - Aye	McGrath - Aye
Lane – Aye	

**MOTION** by Haverkamp, seconded by Hospon, to approve Resolution No. 13-15 ratifying execution of Police Officer Training Expense Reimbursement Agreement. **Carried.**

Haverkamp - Aye	Leff - Aye
Hopson - Aye	McGrath - Aye
Lane – Aye	

City Engineer Bilskemper presented the tree planting plan for the Sunset Street Wide-Sidewalk project. Further discussion will occur at the next council meeting.

Consideration of the request from Officer Josh Beeks to reduce amount of reimbursement to the City for ILEA training and related expenses was tabled until the next council meeting.

The special council meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:42 p.m.

**WORK SESSION MEETING**

Mayor Louise From called the July 2013, work session meeting of the University Heights City Council to order at 7:50 p.m.

John Yapp addressed the council about structuring a focus group session for public input on the proposed development at St. Andrew Church. Yapp stated it was important to identify clear goals on what type of information you wished to receive, to have visual aides to the participants in the session and to have a moderator who can keep the groups on task.

Council discussion centered on whether the focus groups would provide any useful information, what would be acceptable to the council for development (4-2 with commercial, 4-2 without commercial and 6-0) and the idea of a city park in front of the development. Council members Haverkamp and Leff will work with MPOJC personnel to plan for a focus group and will report back at the next council meeting.

Council member Hopson asked if the council could change the current zoning to reduce the height allowed on the property. Attorney Ballard stated that unless all parties agreed to the rezoning, the city could be sued by the developer and/or the church.

**Public Input:** Sylvia Quezada, of 416 Ridgeview Avenue, Larry Wilson, of 308 Koser Avenue, Mary Mathew Wilson, of 308 Koser Avenue, Pat Bauer of 338 Koser Avenue and Jane Swails, of 333 Koser Avenue addressed the council with their concerns.

**Announcements:** From reminded people of the Johnson County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan meeting to be held at UH City Hall on July 30, 2013. The next city Farmers Market will be held August 6, 2013 at St. Andrew Church.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:27 p.m.

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**Attest: Christine M. Anderson, City Clerk**

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**Approved: Louise A. From, Mayor**