

University Heights, Iowa

1004 Melrose Avenue

April 10, 2001

Mayor Jacobson called to order a regular meeting of the Council at 7:06 p.m. Council Members Jones and Gay arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jacobson; Council Members From, Gay, Jones, Martin, Schoenmaker; Attorney Ballard; Chad Lambi, Shive-Hattery Engineers & Architects; Police Chief McDonald; Treasurer Reitz; Clerk Birk.

Others Present: Brian Conser; David Wood; Richard Thomas; Joyce Thomas; Laura Bowers.

Absent: None.

ALL VOTES UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

MOTION by Martin, second by From, to approve the minutes of the public hearing in March.
Carried.

MOTION by Martin, second by From, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting in March.
Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Council considered a 28E agreement with Coralville for building inspection services, at a cost of \$22 per hour.

RESOLUTION (01-03) Introduced by Martin, second by From, authorizing the Mayor to sign and the City Clerk to attest the 28E agreement between the City of Coralville and the City of University Heights for building inspection services.

The roll was called and the vote was:

AYES:	NAYS:	ABSENT:	
X			From
		X	Gay
		X	Jones
X			Martin
X			Schoenmaker

Passed and approved this 10th day of April 2000.

PUBLIC INPUT: Laura Bowers was present to ask if there would be any problem her with having RABRAI bicycle riders camp on her lawn this summer. Mayor Jacobson replied that as long as nuisance and noise ordinances were observed, and that vehicles were not parked on the lawn, it would be all right.

Brian Conser of 217 Koser was present to discuss the cost of taking down the large tree in the parking at his residence that the City had removed after storm damage last weekend. Attorney Ballard said that state ordinance said that the abutting property owner was responsible for maintaining such trees unless they are dead or diseased. Since this tree was dead, the City will pay for its removal.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Reitz distributed the report for March. Most of the second half property taxes have been received. She noted that the fund for police equipment is costing more than expected and suggested being careful about spending more for equipment for the rest of the fiscal year. She requested permission to pay certain bills automatically as they are due before Council meets to approve them. Council directed Treasurer Reitz to look into this and to use her discretion as to which bills to pay by automatic withdrawal and to report back next month.

MOTION by Martin, second by Jones, for payment of all the bills.

Carried.

WARRANTS – MARCH

<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
12444	Paul J. Moore, Melrose Avenue Building	Gen:P&A-Rent	650.00
DEBIT	ISB&T	Gen:P&A:Bank service charge	25.00
12489	Out on a Limb Tree Service	Gen:HCE:Tree Removal	1,050.00
12490	McDonald, Robert F.	Gen:CP:Unif Allow?	125.98
12491	Iowa Association of Municipal Utilities	Gen:P&A:Water Utility Dues&Assessmant	335.90
12492	Westport Touchless Autowash	Gen:CP:Vehicle Wash	40.00
12493	U.S. Cellular	Gen:CP-cell phone	102.99
12494	City of Coralville	Gen:P&A:Housing Inspector Fees	866.20
12495	Phillips 66 Company	Gen:CP:Vehicle Maintenance/Supplies	20.00
12496	Shive Hattery	Gen:HCE:Engineering Fees	703.40
12497	Copyworks	Gen:P&A:Copying/Council Meeting	20.16
12498	City of Iowa City	Gen:Fuel/Bus Service	2,505.97
12499	City of Iowa City	Gen:P&A:Water/Sewer	14.99
12503	Iowa City Tire and Service	Gen:CP:Vehicle Maintenance	72.80
12502	Velma Kelso	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
12501	J. Kenneth Kuntz	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
12500	Bob Williams	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
12504	Shaun Vecera and Maureen Marron	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
12505	SEATS	Gen:HD:Seats Service	4,732.00
12507	Johnson County Refuse	Gen:HCE-Trash/Recycling	1,365.00
12508	McCune, Garry W.	Gen:CP:Unif Allow-Gall's	60.97
12517	Iowa City Press-Citizen	Gen:P&A:Publications	235.42
12518	McLeod USA	Gen:P&A:Phone	107.11
12519	Latta Harris Hanon & Penningroth LLP	Gen:P&A:Accounting Fees	126.00
12520	MidAmerican Energy	SR:CP:Stoplight-Melrose&Sunset	93.93
12521	Johnson County Treasurer	Gen:CP:Sheriff/Radio contract	1,666.25
12522	Wellmark BC/BS	Gen:CP:Health Insurance Admin Fee	1,363.80
12523	Leff, Hupert, Traw & Willman, L.L.P.	Gen:P&A:Legal Fees	11,013.24
12524	McCune, Garry W.	Gen:CP:Training	150.00
12525	Joyce Thomas	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
12526	Galls Incorporated	Gen:CP: Equipment-blue lamp	7.48
12529	Janine Anderson Sawada	Gen:HD:Library Card	75.00
11848	Brian Shimon	Gen:CP:Police Training	400.00
12537	Postmaster	Gen:P&A:Postage	68.00
12509	Birk, Patricia	Gen:P&A:Payroll	210.72

12510	From, Louise A.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	184.70
12511	Gay, William W.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	184.70
12512	Jacobson, Gloria N.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	454.13
12513	Jones, Martin L.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	184.70
12514	Martin, Richard C.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	184.70
12515	Reitz, Sharyn H.	Gen:P&A:Payroll	211.72
12516	Schoenmaker, Adrian	Gen:P&A:Payroll	184.70
12527	McCune, Garry W.	Gen:CP:Payroll	1,554.18
12528	McDonald, Robert F.	Gen:CP:Payroll	1,689.62
12530	Sharp, Shawn P.	Gen:CP:Payroll	356.55
12531	Shimon, Brian S.	Gen:CP:Payroll	1,094.33
12532	Stange, Steven R.	Gen:CP:Payroll	155.61
12533	IPERS		1,071.73
12534	IOWA STATE BANK & TRUST CO	42-1109342	1,913.72
12535	IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	107319-6	26.80
12536	TREASURER STATE OF IOWA	42-1109342-001	230.00
	TOTAL		<u>38,265.20</u>

INCOME	<u>General</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	\$17,880.49	\$995.03	\$6,582.00	\$25,457.52

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Jacobson attended the Johnson County Board of Supervisor Small Cities meeting. The program included a report on the aquifer study and a report by the director of conservation for the county. Mr. Nuezil announced that he would have a radio show on Sundays at 9:15 on KCJJ and that all were welcome as guests. Senior dining and housing rehabilitation grants were discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for September 17.

CLERK'S REPORT: Two building permits were received. Omer Letts will continue as building inspector until the agreement with Coralville is finalized. A resident complained that food waste is being dumped in the ravine on Prospect. Notices will be delivered to all houses on Prospect Place that this is prohibited. Burn dates for yard waste have been announced. They are April 21,22,23,27,28, and 29; May 5,6,7,11,12,13,19,20, and 21. Dates will be posted in the front window of the City office.

LEGAL REPORT: Rental housing inspections are proceeding as expected. No problems have occurred. Attorney Ballard gave an in-service training session for University Heights' police officers. Changes in statutes were discussed. Also, Attorney Ballard now has first hand knowledge of the effectiveness of the Taser non-lethal weapon. A resident on Highland complained made complaints about a rental house on Highland. Council Member Jones discussed on the possible increase in property tax revenue for FY2002, based on the new assessments.

ENGINEER'S REPORT: It appears that the stoplight controller at Melrose and Sunset is compatible for the addition of a scramble phase. It would be necessary to add crosswalk buttons to do this. The cost is estimated at \$2500 to \$4500. At this time the City does not have the extra funds to do the project, and next year's budget has an excess of only \$1800. Mayor Jacobson will send a letter to the Horn PTO president regarding this. Street sweeping will begin soon. Mr. Chadek thinks that using Paul Moore's lot as a temporary dumpsite is not feasible as he believes the lot will be too soft to pick up the material. The material will be stored at the end of Prospect Place as in the past, but will be hauled away at the end of every day.

Council Member Jones suggested storing the sweepings on north Sunset Street. Engineer Lambi will look at the site and contact Mr. Chadek and the abutting property owner if this site is appropriate. Calls have been received from residents regarding the amount of sand in the parking areas due to the amount of sanding needed this winter. Unless undue damage has been done, residents are responsible for the maintenance of their parking area.

POLICE REPORT: Chief McDonald gave the police report for the month. He needs to reorder parking tickets soon and asked if Council wanted any changes. Raising the parking fine, and the escalation for non-payment, was discussed. Attorney Ballard said that fines could not be raised unless it was on the agenda. There are enough ticket books to last until next month and this will be discussed then. Chief McDonald will file a workman's comp claim for a knee injury.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BUILDING, ZONING & SANITATION: The contract for the landfill grant was received. Mayor Jacobson signed the contract. A notice will be delivered to residents informing them of the procedure to follow for receiving a new recycling bin.

STREET AND SIDEWALKS: A resident on Highland asked to widen his driveway. This is not a new curb cut, only a widening. The striping on City streets has worn off over the winter. Once the new fiscal year begins and the weather is warmer, it will be redone. There are some potholes; nothing will be done until dryer weather.

JCCOG: There will be a shortfall in state and federal transportation funds, which will increase the cost of the Melrose/Sunset intersection widening. Council Member Jones reported on issues relating to the area's solid waste comprehensive plans.

Upon motion the Council adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Approved

Gloria N. Jacobson, Mayor

Attest

Patricia Birk, Clerk

NOTE: Minutes subject to approval and corrections.