

Aurora, Nebraska
March 25, 2008

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on March 25, 2008 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Jack Payne, Bruce Ramsour, Dottie Anderson, Chris Helzer, and Paul Shaneyfelt. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Attorney Ross Luzum, Police Chief Godfrey Brokenrope, Water/Sewer Commissioner Rick Melcher and Clerk/Treasurer Barbra Mikkelsen.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on March 19, 2008. Notice of meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Seeman stated "AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW A COPY OF THE NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS POSTED BY THE DOUBLE DOORS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS."

MINUTES:

Councilor Ramsour moved to approve the minutes from the March 11, 2008 meeting. Councilor Helzer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Ramsour, Anderson, Helzer, Shaneyfelt and Payne. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried.

PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:

REPORTS BY OFFICERS, BOARD, COMMITTEES:

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 887 by its title: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 707-1, THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF AURORA, NEBRASKA, LAND USE PLAN, ILLUSTRATION NO. 7, TO PROVIDE THAT THE LAND USE DESIGNATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT BLOCK 1, TUCKER 2ND SUBDIVISION, CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, BE CHANGED TO ZONING DISTRICT DESIGNATION GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT (C-3).

Councilor Ramsour moved to bring Ordinance No. 887 before the council and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Payne seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Anderson, Helzer, Shaneyfelt, Payne and Ramsour. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion having been concurred in by three fourths majority of all members elected to the Council passed and said statutory three reading rule was suspended.

Councilor Payne moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 887. Councilor Helzer seconded the motion. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 887 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Helzer, Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour and Anderson. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Council President declared passed and adopted and the Council President in the presence of the Council signed and approved said Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of same and affixed her signature thereto. Said Ordinance shall be preserved and kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 888 by its title: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 708, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, NEBRASKA, ARTICLE FOUR (4), ESTABLISHMENT AND DESIGNATION OF ZONING DISTRICTS, SECTION 403, THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, TO PROVIDE THAT THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: BLOCK 1, TUCKER 2ND SUBDIVISION, CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, BE CHANGED FROM AN R-2, RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT DESIGNATION TO AN C-3, GENERAL COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT DESIGNATION AND TO PROVIDE THAT SAID CHANGE SHALL BE ENTERED UPON ZONING MAP AS PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 4, SECTION 404.10, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP CHANGES.

Councilor Payne moved to bring Ordinance No. 888 before the council and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Helzer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour, Anderson and Helzer. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion having been concurred in by three fourths majority of all members elected to the Council passed and said statutory three reading rule was suspended.

Councilor Ramsour moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 888. Councilor Payne seconded the motion. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 888 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour, Anderson and Helzer. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Council President declared passed and adopted and the Council President in the presence of the Council signed and approved said Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of same and affixed her signature thereto. Said Ordinance shall be preserved and kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to approve Resolution 08-04 authorizing participation in 2008 NCIP Awards. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Payne, Ramsour, Anderson, Helzer and Shaneyfelt. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried and the following resolution was declared passed and adopted.

RESOLUTION 08-04

2008 NCIP Government Resolution

WHEREAS, local municipal and county government must provide leadership for improving community and economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS, community and economic development needs can best be determined and solved through a cooperative effort between elected officials and the citizens they represent: and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Community Improvement Program, administered by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, has been reviewed and found to be a means to improve our community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Aurora do herewith pledge their full support, endorsement, and cooperation in carrying out the requirements of the NCIP;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Aurora urges its citizens to join this effort and hereby declares this city to be an official entrant in the NCIP for the year of 2008.

Passed and approved this 25th day of March, 2008.

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ATTEST:

Paula Mikkelson
City Clerk



Councilor Ramsour moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with JEO for preparation of plans and specifications for a sewer line from the Main Lift station towards the south. Councilor Payne seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Ramsour, Anderson, Helzer, Shaneyfelt and Payne. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried.

Councilor Payne moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Terracon for geotechnical investigation of sanitary sewer extension south from Main Lift station. Councilor Shaneyfelt seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Anderson, Helzer, Shaneyfelt, Payne and Ramsour. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried.

Sewer Commission Melcher stated that Pete Miller had passed the city's plumber's exam. He recommended Pete Miller's plumber's license be approved. Councilor Ramsour moved to approve the plumber's license for Pete Miller. Councilor Helzer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Helzer, Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour and Anderson. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried.

Mike Wassinger of McDermott and Miller presented the audit of the City's financial statements for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to accept the audit of the City's financial statements for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. Councilor Anderson seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour, Anderson and Helzer. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Phillips. The motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Marlin Seeman
Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbra Mickelsen
City Clerk

