

Aurora, Nebraska  
September 16, 2008

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 5:30 p.m. on September 16, 2008 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Jack Payne, Bruce Ramsour, Dottie Anderson, Chris Helzer, Dick Phillips and Paul Shaneyfelt. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Mike Bair, City Attorney Ross Luzum, Police Chief Godfrey Brokenrope and Clerk/Treasurer Barbra Mikkelsen.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on September 10, 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."

**5:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Seeman opened the duly advertised public hearing to receive public comments on the Proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009. The Mayor asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in favor of the Proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009. The Mayor then asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in opposition to the proposed budget, and there was no one. There being no one present to speak in favor of or opposition to the Proposed Budget for FY 2008-2009 the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

**5:35 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING:**

Mayor Seeman opened the duly advertised public hearing to receive public comments on setting City of Aurora Tax Levy for FY 2008-2009 at .356831 per one hundred dollars valuation (\$760,329.47) for General, at .0500 Interlocal Agreements and at .102773 (\$218,987.28) for Bonds. The Mayor asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in favor of the proposal. The Mayor then asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in opposition to the proposal, and there was no one. There being no one present to speak in favor of or opposition to the proposal the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

Councilor Shaneyfelt moved to exceed the budget lid by 1% as allowed by law for the budget for FY 2008-2009. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Ramsour, Anderson, Helzer, Phillips, Shaneyfelt and Payne. Nay: None. The motion having been concurred in by seventy-five percent of the Council was declared passed.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 908 by its title: AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT, INCLUDING THE PAY PLAN, PENSION PLANS AND VEBA PLAN, TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Ramsour moved to bring Ordinance 908 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, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Payne and Ramsour. Nay: None. 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 Phillips moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 908. Councilor Helzer seconded the motion. The Mayor stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 908 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Helzer, Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour and Anderson. Nay: None.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed and adopted and the Mayor 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 Record of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

Councilor Payne moved to adopt Resolution 08-18 setting City of Aurora Tax Levy for FY 2008-2009. Councilor Shaneyfelt seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Shaneyfelt, Payne, Ramsour, Anderson and Helzer. Nay: None. The motion carried and the following resolution was declared passed and adopted.

#### RESOLUTION 08-18

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1601.02 provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purposes of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the City passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the City of Aurora, by a majority vote, resolves that:

The 2008-2009 property tax request be set .356831 per one hundred dollars valuation (\$760,329.47) for General, at .0500 Interlocal Agreements and at .102773 (\$218,987.28) for Bonds.

1. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk prior to October 13, 2008.

Passed and adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

*Marlin Isseman*  
Mayor

ATTEST:

*Barbra M. Helzer*  
City Clerk



**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

*Marlin Seeman*  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

*Barbara Mikkeba*  
City Clerk

