SPECIAL MEETING
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2008
7:27 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor	Harold Haugh
Councilpersons	Salvatore Aiuto
	John Chirkun
	Jan Haggerty
	Colleen McCartney
	Bill Shoemaker
	Robert Taylor

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Manager	Stephen Truman
City Clerk	Richard Steenland
City Attorney	Tim Tomlinson
City Controller/ Assistant City Manager	Peter Provenzano
Assistant City Controller	Jane Lamb
Community Development Block Grant Director	IJ Campbell

Mayor Harold Haugh called the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.

1. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC.

No one from the public wished to be heard.

2. Presentation of 2008 Audit.

City Manager Stephen Truman explained that this is the first presentation of the Audit; a public presentation will be conducted at the January 13, 2009 City Council Meeting.

Mark Hurst, Kathy Kercorian and John Moceri from Plante and Moran presented the 2008 Audit to Council.

3. Update on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

IJ Campbell, Catherine Krueger and the Citizens Advisory Committee appeared to update Council on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

Mr. Campbell explained to Council that this program is changing everyday; what is discussed today may not be the same tomorrow. This program is designed to deal with blight that has occurred with abandoned homes and does not allow funds to be allocated to prevent residents from losing their homes to foreclosure. The City of Roseville qualified for $1.4 million which will have to be applied for through the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MISHDA). The City of Roseville will have 12 months to spend our allocated funds and Mr. Campbell is working on a plan to allocate the funds within 12 months.

Catherine Krueger, Administrative Assistant to Mr. Campbell, explained that there are five areas which are eligible to spend the allocated funds: the purchase and rehabilitation of abandoned and foreclosed homes, demolition of blighted and abandoned homes or commercial properties, rehab vacant homes and counsel individuals to purchase these homes and the use of "financial mechanisms" for interest or principle reduction subsidies to help people keep their homes.

City Manager Stephen Truman explained that the issue of getting individuals into homes will be a new area for the City. Mr. Truman stated that the Department of Housing and Urban Development would like the City to "target" areas that have a high rental rate or a high vacancy rate to concentrate the monies in this area.

Mr. Campbell explained that the City will have to design a program that must be implemented within a year because the state deadlines keep moving and the federal deadline is set at 18 months from December 1, 2008.

Mayor Harold Haugh asked Mr. Campbell to provide a written outline on this program to him and Council so everyone will be up-to-date on this program.

Mr. Campbell clarified that, for every dollar the City receives, .25 must be allocated to assisting low income individuals.

4. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER.

City Manager Stephen Truman discussed the following items:

a. City Controller/Assistant City Manager Peter Provenzano will make a presentation to the Retirement Board pertaining to the calculation of interest in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP).
b. The City of St. Clair Shores requested that the City of Roseville adopt a Resolution pertaining to PA 312 Binding Arbitration. Mr. Truman does not recommend Council pass this resolution and wanted Council to be aware of this request. Council had no objections to Mr. Truman leaving this item off of the Council Agenda.

c. Mr. Truman requested Council's approval to enter into a contract with Allied Incorporated for the emergency repair of a truck hoist for the Department of Public Works yard. This hoist is used for a sewer vac and large vehicles used for plowing. The hoist has not needed repairs in the past 13 years. Quotes on the repair were requested and this item is over $7,500 which normally would require the formal bid process; however, the concrete has to be removed and is hard to spec. Three written quotes were provided to Council and the City has conducted successful business with Allied Incorporated in the past and their bid was the lowest bid. Council had no objection to the City entering into a contract with Allied Incorporated for the emergency repair of a truck hoist.
d. The completed actuary study for the Fire Department was provided to Council for review.
e. The Court Clerks' Union has approved their contract with the City.
f. Mr. Provenzano updated Council on the Third Party Medical Administrative Contract with Automated Benefits Services (ABS) and the Stop loss insurance carriers are up for renewal and he will sign the renewals this week. The combined fee increase is $3,600 for both items.

Councilman John Chirkun asked Mr. Truman to provide Council with updates on any grievances or worker compensation issues.

5. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY.

City Attorney Tim Tomlinson had nothing to report.

6. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL.

Councilwoman Colleen McCartney thanked City Manager Stephen Truman, City Controller/Assistant City Manager Peter Provenzano and Assistant City Controller Jane Lamb for their work on the Audit.

Councilman Robert Taylor thanked Mr. Truman, Mr. Provenzano and Mrs. Lamb for their work on the Audit and thanked Mayor Haugh for everything he did for the City and the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Mayor Harold Haugh thanked the Council, stated that it has been a pleasure sitting on the ZBA Board and expressed good wishes to the next mayor.

7. ADJOURNMENT.

COUNCILMAN SALVATORE AIUTO moved, COUNCILMAN BILL SHOEMAKER seconded that the agenda having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:00 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,
Richard M. Steenland, City Clerk

Please note: A cassette tape of this meeting is on file with the City Clerk's Office for further information