SPECIAL MEETING
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

MANAGER'S CONFERENCE ROOM
29777 GRATIOT AVENUE
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2008
7:43 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 Attorney	Tim Tomlinson
City Clerk	Richard Steenland

Mayor Harold Haugh called the meeting to order at 7:43 p.m.

1. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC.

No one from the Public wished to be heard.

2. Discussion regarding contract for additional signage on small portion of City owned property.

City Manager Stephen Truman explained to Council that this item was just before the Zoning Board of Appeals and the variance approval is not connected with the contract for additional signage on City owned property. Mr. Truman discussed that the first lease agreement between the City and International Outdoors was for $11,000 per year for one sign with the possibility of a second sign at an offer of an un agreed-to amount of $9,000 per year. For a second sign to be placed on the property the petitioners must access the Marsack property; the owner of the Marsack property is requesting a portion of the City's lease revenue to allow access to the proposed sign.

City Attorney Tim Tomlinson explained to Council his position is that the accessibility is limited as to what the lease payments are on this type of signs. Additional costs will be incurred such as an easement from the Marsack property. Mr. Tomlinson feels that the City should not bear the costs incurred for this project and he feels that $6,000 is below market value. Mr. Tomlinson's opinion is that the lease rate should be a rate similar to the last lease contract and he sees no reason to deviate from the last lease rate of $11,000.

Randy Oram and Michael Berry of International Outdoors appeared on behalf of this request. Mr. Oram explained the issues surrounding access to the City's property from the Marsack property and explained that access may only be gained to the second sign through the Marsack property. Mr. Oram feels that cooperation will be gained from the owner of the Marsack property if the owner of that property shares in the revenue on the basis of 2/3, 1/3 split. Mr. Oram stated that since the first sign was proposed, his business has encountered many obstacles and so he hopes that the City Council will allow them to continue with the original agreement.

Mayor Harold Haugh asked what the difference is between the original agreement and the current presentation to Council. Mr. Tomlinson explained that he has researched lease payments in cases such as this and due to inflationary factors he doesn't feel that the City is outside the realm if $11,000 per year is requested for the additional sign. Mr. Tomlinson also explained that if the Marsack property owner receives $3,000 a year on the second sign and is not required to do anything further then there is no motivation for Marsack to quit mining the property and no further restrictions are imposed on the Marsack property in this agreement.

Mr. Oram explained that there are four Marsack heirs listed on the property and all four of the individuals will have to agree to any agreement on this property.

Councilman John Chirkun asked Mr. Tomlinson how long the owners of the Marsack property have a lease for. Mr. Tomlinson replied that it is a perpetual lease on this property.

Mr. Truman explained to Council that they will have to decide at the next Council meeting if $6,000 is acceptable to them for the lease of the City-owned property to International Outdoors.

Councilwoman Colleen McCartney asked Mr. Oram why the lease amount per sign is different. Mr. Oram explained that several factors have occurred since the construction of the first sign

including the increase of construction costs and revenues will be less on the second sign than the first due to the size and setback of the sign.

Councilman Robert Taylor asked Mr. Oram if the existing sign will be a digital sign in the future. Mr. Oram explained that the sign is ready for digital capability and explained the different factors of digital advertising. International Outdoors is not going to advertise digitally on this site.

Mr. Tomlinson asked Mr. Oram if in the industry on occasion, in terms of rent, a percentage of the gross revenue is used as the rental payment versus a flat dollar fee. Mr. Oram explained that International Outdoors has never entered into this type of agreement; however, those agreements do exist in the industry. Mr. Oram stated that there are several variables with that type of agreement.

Mr. Oram reiterated that his company needs the cooperation of the Marsack property owners in order to proceed with the second sign.

Councilman Bill Shoemaker asked about a few "test" signs in the area. Mr. Oram explained this type of sign to Council.

Mr. Truman stated that this item will be presented to Council on their next agenda.

3. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER.

City Manager Stephen Truman had the following to discuss:

a. Council was provided with a copy of the Model Water Contract with the Detroit Water Sewer Department and the contract approval will be requested on the next Council agenda. An agreement was made with the DWSD to leave the two issues of the abandonment of the meter well and the booster station equipment at Macomb Gardens open until a later date. The main between 8 Mile and 10 Mile is the property and responsibility of the City of Roseville. A provision is also included in the contract pertaining to the option to construct a storage tank in the future to receive a further discount on water rates from the DWSD.
b. Mayor Harold Haugh hosted the Millennial Mayor's Meeting with the Michigan Suburbs Alliance two weeks ago. Mr. Truman would like to prepare a letter of support from Council for the Millennial Mayor's Conference and it will be placed on the regular agenda for approval.
c. Council was updated on a proposed resolution pertaining to COMET asking the City of Roseville to maintain its financial records; the City will receive $25,000 for maintaining the financial records of COMET. The City will incur a slight cost from the auditors and Mr. Truman has discussed this issue with City Controller/Assistant City Manager Peter Provenzano and Assistant City Controller Jane Lamb as they will assume the responsibility of the bookkeeping; both individuals understand the work involved with this issue and both agree it will be an income for the City. A resolution will be required and placed on an agenda for Council approval. Mr. Truman answered questions for Council pertaining to this request.
d. On September 21 the Macomb Daily will include an insert about the City's 50th Anniversary and the Detroit News will also include information on November 20. A dedication of the Fire Department headquarters will be held on September 28 during the Fire Department Open House at 2 p.m. Council was provided with advertising information pertaining to the 50th Anniversary Celebration.
e. The Freeze Committee met this evening regarding the Information Services position which is vacant due to the retirement of an employee. Mr. Truman recommended that the position be filled; however, the Freeze Committee decided that the position will remain

vacant and reviewed by the Freeze Committee in 60 days. Mayor Harold Haugh explained the reasoning behind the Freeze Committee's decision and complimented Director of Information Services Patricia Toscano for preparing information to support her request of filling this vacancy.

4. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY.

City Attorney Tim Tomlinson discussed the collection of delinquent business licenses and the Winter Parking Ordinance.

City Clerk Richard Steenland provided Council a summary of the delinquent business licenses and explained to Council the steps he will take to collect the delinquent fees which may include an amnesty program. Mr. Tomlinson had no objections to an amnesty program.

Councilman John Chirkun asked Mr. Steenland a few questions about the collection process and what will occur for violating the Ordinance pertaining to Business Licensing. Mr. Tomlinson's response was that Mr. Steenland may swear to a misdemeanor complaint against the business in District Court.

City Attorney Tim Tomlinson updated Council that the Police Department reviewed the Winter Parking Ordinance in comparison to other Cities. Mr. Tomlinson stated that the overall agreement is that a Snow Emergency Ordinance be adopted.

Mr. Truman and Mr. Tomlinson answered questions for Council.

Mr. Tomlinson explained that there are two parameters to the proposed Ordinance. If there is snow or ice on Monday - Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. parking will not be permitted on the streets. A Snow Emergency may prohibit parking at any time of the day or night and declared at any time of the day or night.

Councilman Salvatore Aiuto asked Mr. Tomlinson if the residents have to vote on any changes to the Winter Parking Ordinance as was done in the past. Mr. Tomlinson responded that the Winter Parking Ordinance was voted on as an advisory question and not a referendum vote; therefore, the Ordinance does not have to be put on a ballot for the residents to vote on.

5. OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL.

Councilwoman Jan Haggerty thanked the Councilpersons who attended the County Commissioners meeting in honor of her husband Leonard.

Councilwoman Colleen McCartney thanked City Clerk Richard Steenland, City Manager Stephen Truman and City Attorney Tim Tomlinson for working to collect the delinquent Business License fees.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

COUNCILWOMAN JAN HAGGERTY moved, COUNCILWOMAN COLLEEN MCCARTNEY seconded that the agenda having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:55 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD M. STEENLAND, City Clerk

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