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April 21, 2009

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Lawrence met in regular session at 6:35 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers in City Hall with Mayor Chestnut presiding and members Amyx, Cromwell, Dever, and Johnson present.

RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION:

With Commission approval, Mayor Chestnut proclaimed the week of April 20 – 24, 2009 as Tree City USA Week and Friday, April 24, 2009 as Arbor Day.

CONSENT AGENDA

CITY MANAGER

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to approve the City Commission meeting minutes of April 7, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to approve claims to 427 vendors in the amount of \$700,758. Motion carried unanimously.

As part of the consent agenda, **it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx**, to approve the Drinking Establishment Licenses for Buffalo Bob's Smokehouse, 719 Massachusetts; and the Cereal Malt Beverage License for Shop N Go, 1000 West 23rd Street. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Commission reviewed the bids for the 2009 Fire Hydrant Painting Program for the Utilities Department. The bids were:

BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
Warren Moore Painting	\$17,596.00
Gary & Company	\$19,256.00
Neider Contracting	\$19,920.00



Brown Construction	\$30,992.20
Coating Management	\$37,184.00
Industrial Painting Center	\$44,820.00
Thomas Industrial Coating	\$46,184.00
JF McGivern	\$46,480.00
Sterbenz & Company	\$48,140.00
Commercial Wateproofing	\$58,100.00
James Thornton	\$58,100.00

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to award the bid to Warren Moore Painting, in the amount of \$17,596 and authorize the City Manager to execute a contract agreement for the project. Motion carried unanimously. (1)

As part of the consent agenda, **it was moved by Johnson**, **seconded by Amyx**, to approve the recommendation from the Lawrence Arts Commission to approve a sign permit No. 09-002000092 for a mural installation at Evan's Imports, 735 East 22nd Street, as proposed by artist Heather Reynolds-Nance. Motion carried unanimously. (2)

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to authorize the City Manager to execute a Letter of Agreement with Hays Companies to provide comprehensive Employee Benefit Consulting Services, to include the services of issuing an Employee Health Care Plan RFP, related analysis, and ongoing employee benefits consulting service, in the amount of \$50,000 for 2009. Motion carried unanimously. (3)

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to approve as signs of community interest, a request from the KU Endowment Association and Students for KU to place temporary signs in the right-of-way along the center median on Bob Billings Parkway at Westbrooke Drive on Saturday, April 25, 2009 directing traffic for the Hawk Mud Fest Volleyball Tournament. Motion carried unanimously. (5)

As part of the consent agenda, it was moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to authorize staff to proceed with appraisal, survey document preparation, architectural review,

and other related items concerning the acquisition of the BNSF Depot. Motion carried unanimously.

Hubbard Collingsworth, Lawrence, requested the 2009 First Quarter Case Management Report from Bert Nash Mental Health Center be pulled from the consent agenda.

He said community outreach had a fine group of young men and asked that the City Commission look at increasing Bert Nash funding if at all possible.

Mayor Chestnut said Bert Nash did an excellent job and their services were very important to this community. He said when reviewing the 2010 budget, the City Commission would keep that request in mind.

It was then moved by Dever, seconded by Cromwell, to receive the 2009 First Quarter Case Management Report from Bert Nash Mental Health Center. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

During the City Manager's Report, David Corliss said staff had been in budget discussions with all departments. Staff was continuing to monitor sales tax distributions and worked on the first quarter financial report. He said with the conclusion of the veto session, staff's plan was to advise the City Commission what the legislature did "for" or "against" the City. He said the April sales tax receipts would probably reflect more 2009 activity.

He said the good news from 2008 was that the City performed better on expenditure management and somewhat on revenue side and were moving into 2009 in a better shape than previously budgeted, but it did not mean staff did not need to look at expenditures. It was a little late to do much about revenue in 2009, but would look at expenditures and tell what could be deferred or held.

Other information in the City Manager's Report was the draft agreement with Rural Water District 4; Street Maintenance educational pamphlet was produced by the Public Works Department; the Fire/Medical Department received a training grant through the Douglas County

Interagency Hazardous Materials Training Project; Utilities Department participated in an emergency drill by Douglas County Emergency Management; the City received Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds through the State of Kansas and Douglas County; and, volunteers were a valuable resource to Parks and Recreation for the downtown planting project and other City locations.

Casey Toomay, Budget Manager, presented the First Quarter Financial Report. She said in the report staff tried to hit some of the budgetary highlights for the more major City funds. It was a backward looking report in that it was comparing where the City was, to date, to the budget for 2009 and previous years for the first quarter. References would be seen toward increases and decreases compared to last year and percentages compared to the City's budget. For example, in the general fund, on the revenue side, the City had collected 29.4% of the revenues budgeted for this year. To give context, in 2008 the City had collected 30.4% and in 2007 28.4%. It was an issue of timing, when the City received property tax disbursements, which did not come monthly so when going through the different quarters, the City Commission might not be looking at an accurate reflection.

She said on the expenditure side of the general fund, the City had spent roughly 17.6% of what was budgeted for expenditures in the general fund. It was lower than the two previous years reported in the report and the City had spent less than what was brought in for the third consecutive year in this quarter.

She said the report gave information about the revenue sources in the general fund; property tax, franchise fees, sales tax which was down 2% from last year and City staff would continue to monitor that information moving forward. A variety of licensing and permits were included in the report. Intergovernmental revenue included liquor tax receipts and was down about 1.3% compared to this period last year. Overall, that category had a slightly different story in that the City did not receive the slider payment this year. That payment was to pay back the cities for the state exemption on personal property tax on machinery and equipment.

She said service charges were fees charged to people for using City services. Included were reimbursements from a different variety of sources.

Fines were tickets issued by the Police Department and Municipal Court fines and fees.

The fines were down somewhat compared to the first quarter of last year.

She said interest was what the City earned from the money invested. The City was not doing well and to date, only 3.9% of what the City had budgeted for interest. Part of this was a timing issue, but the other part was the interest rate.

She said miscellaneous revenues largest part was the money the City received from Douglas County for EMS charges. In this particular first quarter, revenues in that category were up in comparison to previous years.

She said the expenditures were down about \$412,000 compared to this period last year and represented 17.6% of the expenditures budgeted. One graph showed all the different departments funded in the general fund. She said for comparison purposes, those divisions that had expended more than 25% of their budget showed up on that chart. One of those divisions was Municipal Court in that they had an encumbrance at the beginning of the year for their office space and encumber their year's worth of rent, so it would get spent down throughout the year. In the public health budget, that was where the City paid their portion of health operations and the City portion of maintaining the health facility.

She said staff provided information of expenditures by category. The general government was more of the administrative functions, public safety was with police and fire, and health department was included in that category. Public Works was relatively explanatory and Parks and Recreation related expenditures.

She said the report provided information on some of the more special revenue funds. The recreational fund was shown first and the revenues had increased about 5% over the first quarter last year. Staff also provided a graphed the details of the makeup of those revenues and 42% of the City's revenues received to date were from services charges.

The transfer category was sales tax. The sales tax, by state law, came into the general fund and then transferred to a variety of different funds and the recreation fund was one of those.

Information was provided for the public transportation fund and because the City had not been collecting the sales tax revenue until April 1, only 3.6% of the revenues were collected that were budgeted in that fund. She said that number would change dramatically in the second quarter report.

She said on the expenditure side for transit was also the first quarter of the operating contract. Previously, in MV Transportation's contract, the cost of fuel was included, but beginning this year that was no longer the case and the expenditure budget reflected the encumbrance for fuel for the transit fleet for the year.

Another difference was the cost for major component replacement which was also changed from the prior contract where the cost of changing engines, transmissions, and those types of things were covered by MV for the first two years and now those repairs were on the City's dime.

The report also indicated enterprise funds with a graph that showed wastewater, solid waste, storm water and golf course funds. It showed a nice history of revenues and expenditures. The report also indicated the investment and issuance, to date, and highlighted what was spent on capital improvement projects.

Mayor Chestnut asked if the County was raising service charges for EMS and if that would be a more permanent than just a timing issue.

Toomay said it was her understanding that it was the ambulance portion and was not sure if any of those charges trickled back to the City for services provided.

Mayor Chestnut asked if there was any idea what the deficit would be for the general fund at the end of the year.

Toomay said she did not think it had changed since the last time it was discussed and the ending fund balance was about \$250,000 better than what was expected.

Mayor Chestnut said in transit, ridership was up 10% from 2008 to 2009, but according to the graph, the accumulative fare box revenue, the revenue for 2009 was lower than 2008.

Toomay said the increase in ridership was attributed mostly to the arrangement with KU, so while ridership was up, those were not all paid rides. Also related, the paratransit rides were down and costs doubled for fixed route.

Vice Mayor Amyx said under the enterprise funds, regarding water and wastewater revenues versus expenditures, he asked in first quarter of every year, why it showed a negative number.

Toomay said the City also encumbered variety of things at the beginning of the year. She said while the money was spent on paper, the dollars had not gone out to pay vendors.

Corliss said that was exactly the cause. He said in encumbering funds, the City essentially locked in the vendor and dollar amount. He said when those funds were encumbered it did not mean those funds were spent for the entire year, but it showed up as an expenditure as far as money already allocated.

Vice Mayor Amyx said he asked that question because several weeks ago there was conversation about water usage being down from last year and wondered if they would continue to see the numbers reflected in the net income loss in the next three guarters.

Corliss said the water use was rather definitive and in a wet cool season water would not as much. He said the City sold a lot of water in July, August, and September time period and counted on some of those funds to make budget, but not all of it. He said as the price of water went up and the economy was challenged people were less likely to proceed with lawn irrigation. He said the City was not budget required to meet that target, but it helped staff on revenue projections.

Commissioner Amyx said the only thing he looked at was the net loss income and recently the City made transfer out of the Utility fund to help pay for transit to get the City through lean times. He said it was made a requirement that those funds be paid back within the next several years. He said he saw a 2.4 million dollar loss the first quarter and knowing the City made a transfer, he wanted to know where the money was transferred from, if the money was not really available.

Corliss said obviously, during the first few months of the year, the City did not have a substantial revenue source coming from the City to operate transit and the City was borrowing money internally in order to keep the buses running until the City could repay that fund which he thought could be done later that year or the beginning of next year. Again, the deficit was primarily based on those encumbrances. (7)

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

Conduct pubic hearing to consider the vacation of a utility easement located in Lots 1 and 8, in Lawrence Industrial Park, 746 East 27th Street, as requested by Westar Energy, Inc.

Mayor Chestnut called a public hearing on the vacation of a utility easement located in Lots 1 and 8, in Lawrence Industrial Park, 746 East 27th Street.

David Corliss, City Manager, said Westar was expanding their facilities on East 27th Street. In this case, there was an existing sanitary sewer force main that Westar was required to relocate. When Westar relocated that force main and dedicated a new easement, it meant that the former location of the force main was no longer needed. A way to get rid of the City's property interest was to go through a vacation where staff had published notice of this evening's hearing. Staff notified the adjoining property owners and staff reviewed whether or not it was appropriate to give up this property interest on that utility easement. Vacating that utility easement came with a favorable recommendation from City staff.

Mayor Chestnut called for public comment.

Angela Sharp, Bartlett & West, said she represented the owner, Westar. Westar had the force main that was relocated and granted a new easement and the existing easement was no longer needed. It was one of the last steps and was a very successful project for Westar.

It was moved by Amyx, seconded by Johnson, to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Amyx, seconded by Johnson, to approve the Order of Vacation of a utility easement located in Lots 1 and 8, in Lawrence Industrial Park, 746 East 27th Street. Motion carried unanimously.

(8)

Consider the following items related to the Lawrence Community Shelter:

- a) <u>Receive annual report for SUP-01-02-07, Lawrence Community Shelter at 944 Kentucky/214 W. 10th Street.</u>
- b) Consider approving request from Lawrence Community Shelter for reallocation of Salvation Army Emergency Shelter/Day Services funding in 2009.

Scott McCullough, Director of Planning and Development Services, said last year Loring Henderson, Lawrence Community Shelter, shared some thoughts on the data provided to the City Commission and the plan was to take questions and share Henderson's observations on the annual report for the shelter.

Loring Henderson, Director of the Lawrence Community Shelter, said citizens did not sense that Lawrence Community Shelter had programs, but that was what the shelter was all about, which were programs and getting people out of homelessness. The subtitle of the shelter was "A Path to a Positive Future" which might be amended to "Programs to a Positive Future" just to hammer that point home. A lot went on through case management through people working with the homeless.

He said a form that he had to provide for the United Way showed over time the percentage of people in the shelter that were from Lawrence or Douglas County.

He said he should mention the relocation of the Shelter because that subject was on people's minds which was connected to Mayor Chestnut's memo a year ago and this was the second year of their three year Special Use Permit (SUP). The Shelter had been hard at work but did not have a site yet. He said they had proceeded further with a steering committee and looked at sites, submitted letters of intent twice, and might be nearing a third letter of intent. They would get close and then something would not work the relocation search.

Commissioner Cromwell said regarding fundraising, the Shelter had notable success lately.

Henderson said he was not sure what to say about fundraising as it was constant with non profits and about 22% of their money came from the City and other government sources and the other roughly 80% came from events, individuals, churches, foundations and other things the Shelter were constantly doing.

Henderson said the site plan indicated that the Shelter should keep a police log which had been done and asked if the City Commission would consider removing that condition because it seemed to be redundant with the records the Police Department kept and he considered the Police records to be the standard. He said he was not sure if City staff liked two sets of numbers and if there was something that was gotten out of his particular set of numbers compared to the police numbers. He said the Shelter was in touch with the Police a lot and worked with the Police on various issues including numbers.

Mayor Chestnut said if the City Commission were to consider that request, it would be a modification of the SUP agreement and that request should be put on regular agenda to consider and refer the request to staff for their recommendation.

Casey Toomay, Budget Manager, presented the staff report on the reallocation of the Salvation Army Emergency Shelter/Day Services funding for 2009. She said the City allocated funding to both the Lawrence Community Shelter and Salvation Army for a variety of sources. The City had signed agreements with both those agencies that called out how those funds were to be used. It was the understanding of the City that the Salvation Army was going to stop operations of their overnight shelter effective sometime in May. The thought was that because

the Salvation Army would no longer be providing that emergency overnight shelter and the Lawrence Community Shelter was currently providing that service, the question was if the City should reallocate those funds from the Salvation Army to the Lawrence Community Shelter. If they did reallocate those funds, they needed to determine the appropriate amount and the timing.

Mayor Chestnut called for public comment.

Hubbard Collingsworth, Lawrence, said he had asked to be provided any public documents that were open record from LCS and Salvation Army under the open records act. He said the form 9-90 were public documents. He read through some of the memos and agreements on the funding reallocation and those documents were supposed to be presented to the City Commission for approval. He asked if the Commission had been presented those documents from LCS and Salvation Army. He said he did not need income statements, but wanted public documents as to the funding sources and where the money had been spent. He said he wanted to be able to respond to questions that had been presented to him.

Mayor Chestnut said for clarification purposes, form 9-90 was the financial report that non profits were required to file every year. He said he did not know if the City received copies of those reports and he would refer to staff.

David Corliss, City Manager, said he would be happy to make copies and the annual report was posted online that the Community Shelter provided.

Vice Mayor Amyx said the requests made to the Commission for expenditure from the various agencies was how the money was to be spent at the time of requests made and the audits would reflect those expenditures based on the information provided to the City Commission.

He said he liked the idea of referring the request of the police report issue to staff. He said the LCS annual report was clear regarding the number of people the Shelter was serving and hours.

He said there were strong feelings from the Commission about finding a permanent location and they needed to take into consideration zoning and other use permits, but staff was a wonderful resource for direction and assistance to help find that new location.

Commissioner Cromwell asked if those two agencies had any ideas for the distribution of those funds.

Wesley Dahlburg, Salvation Army, said they had talked with City staff and agreed to stay open for an additional month so they could help make the transition to the temporary place to open up. The Salvation Army felt that they had no problem with the funds being reallocated after their closing. They hoped the City Commission felt it was only right they would receive the funds for the amount of time they provided the service, but after that they did not have a problem with the rest of the year's funding going to LCS. Next year, the Salvation Army would be making application for additional funding for other areas.

Commissioner Johnson asked if the two entities were okay with the proposal staff put together.

Dahlberg said he was comfortable with the proposal.

Henderson said he was comfortable with whatever staff came up with because there were considerations put forth and they were all working together on this.

It was moved by Amyx, seconded by Dever, to receive the report and approve the request from LCS for the reallocation of Salvation Army Emergency Shelter/Day Services funding in 2009 not to exceed the \$17,500. Motion carried unanimously. (9)

Reconsider the approval of a portion of Text Amendment TA-04-03-08, and adopt on first reading, Ordinance No. 8388, amending and enacting sections of Chapter 20 of the Lawrence City Code (Land Development Code) pertaining to certain Community Facilities (Temporary Shelters and Social Service Agencies). Initiated by City Commission April 29, 2008.

Scott McCullough, Development Services Director, presented the staff report. He said this text amendment was viewed as two separate portions; one was permitting shelters as accessory uses to religious institutions in a limited way and another was any shelter that was

not that type of shelter. Tomorrow night staff would be going to the Planning Commission on a discussion about limitations on this type of accessory use shelters. The direction staff was asking for tonight was to break off the portion of opening up the non residential use zoning districts to permit shelters with special use permits.

He said for the new Commissioners, a text amendment was the process they would take to revise the development code or subdivision regulations used to regulate land development in the City. He showed a table in the development code that listed all the districts and the accompany uses that were relevant to the districts. There was a residential district table and a non residential district table. He said it was important to note that this language conceptually reflected what the City Commission initially gave support to in October 2008. Nothing had conceptually changed and had been tweaked based on some of the legal concerns that were brought up during that October meeting. This amendment basically renamed homeless or transient shelter to temporary shelter, and in the residential categories nothing changed about how things could be permitted. It started out with Special Use Permits in RSO districts (residential single family office) and MO (multi-family office) district.

They added a use category to capture all the social service agency type of uses such a food banks and other social service agencies. The agencies were captured under one of the office districts, but staff felt it more appropriate to place those type of social service agencies in a new use category in the new development code. Staff recommended those be permitted by right in the RSO and RMO district. All other single family districts and multifamily districts in this category were not allowed.

He said in the non residential district there were the same two use categories except they were taken and placed as a special use permit and industrial zoning districts were permitted by special use permit category. Those were permitted by special use in certain CO, CD, CC, CR, and CS and the GPI and Hospital use district by special use permit. This text amendment created some flexibility for the shelter for LCS or any other shelter to come to the

City and request special use permits. There were standards created that they would have to comply with. Social Service Agency was permitted in all non residential districts except the LS, which was an open space district.

In October when the City Commission reviewed this issue, there was a series of standards that any special use permit for a shelter had to meet and those remained virtually in tact and the same, but tweaked somewhat. Standards included reports to the governing body, minimum in terms of fixtures for toilets, required a management plan that would become discussion through the special use permit process that would have to be flexible for the operation of the shelter yet enough information to provide the Planning Commission governing body the information needed to determine how many impacts should or could be mitigated if approved. They have also maintained design standards that the City Commission would have support to and all of those were in that amendment.

He said the last substantive portion of this amendment was defining "shelter" and "social service agency" better. This substantially reflected what initial support was granted to in October 2008. This laid the ground work for the shelter to be an accessory to a religious institution and they would be bringing that to the City Commission shortly.

Vice Mayor Amyx said it seemed that McCullough had hit on all the major points the City Commission had brought up to make sure the special use permit in the districts for the temporary shelters to be located. He asked what part of the code contained the number of individuals per square footage in a building.

McCullough said there would be limitations for the accessory use shelter for religious institution and what staff was going to talk about at the Planning Commission. There were not as part of the standards for what he considered the larger type of shelter. There were no limitations or square feet per person because those would typically be building code standards.

Vice Mayor Amyx asked if it should be included in the standards or a line added that directed it back to the building code.

McCullough said through the many months of discussion and compromise in terms of certain things the standards should accomplish, that was not one that was the level of text amendment because they had standards in the building code.

Vice Mayor Amyx said as long as it was covered he was fine with it.

Mayor Chestnut called for public comment.

Hubbard Collingsworth, Lawrence, said he thought there was another chapter where the Community Commission on Homelessness was supposed to be working on regarding two types of shelters, the Type A and Type B shelters. Type A was limited to the number of families and tied in directly to religious institutions. The Type B shelter was tied into the zoning codes. He asked on this particular item, was it referred to as Type A religious auxiliary uses or Type B.

McCullough said there was a time where this was received and considered by the City Commission in October 2008 where initial support was given. The City subsequently received a letter challenging some of the legal aspects. That letter prompted additional research and consideration of the amendment. Staff brought back to the City Commission a revised recommendation on February 24, 2009 on how to proceed with this text amendment. The City Commission accepted that proposal and directed staff to move forward with a simpler and more efficient text amendment language that would still reach those goals of having accessory shelters to religious institutions in a broader use that was only permitted by special use permit.

Collingsworth said there was an on going organization in town that had the night shelter in auxiliary to religious institutions but also their social services and day center was part of a church auxiliary. He wondered if that issue would be addressed by that amendment.

McCullough said it was not being addressed through the amendment but was through other channels through the process. This amendment did not affect that particular situation.

Henderson said he had worked a lot with City staff and appreciated the cooperation that had been given through the entire process. He said the Community Shelter was in support of the language as proposed.

Commissioner Dever said he thought McCullough and his staff had done a great job and this addressed some of the concerns and pitfalls and made things easier to understand. He agreed that they should let this code address the items that were pertinent to planning and let the other codes address safety and fire. He thought it was an excellent step forward in trying to ascertain where the City could have a shelter and thought that was the first step they needed to take in moving forward.

Vice Mayor Amyx said he appreciated staff's work. He said it was important from the comments last year where there was a question about what would be permitted by right and what would be required by special use permit. He said staff and Planning Commission had done a great job in making that recommendation and also making sure that neighborhoods felt there was a voice in going through the SUP process by the City and Planning Commission.

Commissioner Cromwell said this was fantastic and had a major portion of the agenda focusing on an important issue. He thought this text amendment was good work toward giving the City Commission a good shelter in the future.

Mayor Chestnut said he appreciated Henderson's efforts. He said this has been a learning process for the Commission. When this issue was started, the Commission learned about how things worked and did not work and learned a lot about what other communities were doing and got a sense of what made sense for the City. It was important they gave opportunity to look at as many alternatives as possible and agreed with the Vice Mayor's comments on having those protections to make sure the process was there to go through as things were considered with the special use permit and the ability for the City Commission to continue to monitor as they did now with the location on Kentucky. He looked forward to look at some consideration for location for the shelter.

Moved by Amyx, seconded by Dever, to approve a portion of Text Amendment, TA-40-03-08, and adopt on first reading Ordinance No. 8388, amending and enacting sections of

Chapter 20 of the Lawrence City Code pertaining to Community Facilities. Motion carried unanimously. (10)

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

04/28/09

Consider second and final reading of Ordinance No. 8387 for the Rezoning (Z-2-2-09) of 1725 New Hampshire Street from RM24 (Multi-Dwelling Residential) to CS (Commercial Strip). (PC Item 8; approved 6-0 on 3/25/09)

Consider approving sole source purchase of at least 44 handheld and 33 mobile digital radios utilizing the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the Police Department, for \$278,376.12.

ACTION:

Waive bidding requirements and approve purchase of at least 44 handheld and 33 mobile digital radios for the Police Department, utilizing the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, for \$278,376.12, if appropriate.

Conduct public hearing to discuss the condition of the dilapidated structure at 1207 E. 13th Street and to consider declaring the structure unsafe and dangerous and ordering its repair or removal within a specified period of time.

Receive 2008 Tax Abatement Report.

Recognition of Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission 2009 Grant Award Recipients.

05/05/09 **REGULAR**:

Receive an appeal of the Planning Director's determination on Site Plan SP-09-80-08 for a new speculative commercial building to be built at 1120 E. 23rd Street. The applicant appeals a condition of approval requiring the closing of an existing access drive.

ACTION: Consider the request and either approve, deny or defer the item for additional information.

5/12/09

TBD

Conduct a public hearing regarding the temporary sale, possession and consumption of alcohol on certain city property downtown in conjunction with the Tour of Lawrence bicycle event on Saturday, July 4, 2009.

Adopt Resolution No. 6833, adopting the Douglas County, Kansas Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

COMMISSION ITEMS: None.

Moved by Amyx, seconded by Johnson, to adopt the revised 2010 Budget Calendar (changing the date of the City Commission goal setting date to Tuesday, May 26th). Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Amyx, to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED:		
Robert Chestnut, Mayor		
ATTEST:		

Frank S. Reeb, City Clerk

CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2009

- 1. Bid 2009 Fire Hydrant Painting Program to Warren Moore Paining for \$17,596.
- 2. Sign Permit Evan's Imports, 735 E 22nd.
- 3. Letter of Agreement Hays Companies, Employee Benefit Consulting Svc fro \$50,000.
- 4. Signs of Community Interest KU Endowment Bob Billings Pkwy at Westbrooke, Apr 25th.
- 5. BNSF Depot appraisal.
- 6. 2009 First Quarter Mgmt Report Bert Nash Mental Health Ctr.
- 7. City Manager's Report.
- 8. Order of Vacation Lots 1 & 8, Lawrence Industrial Park, 746 E 27th.
- 9. Lawrence Community Shelter Reallocation of Salvation Army funding in 2009.
- 10. Ordinance No. 8388, Text Amendment TA-40-03-08, Community Facilities.

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