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COMMISSIONERS
MICHAEL DEVER
HUGH CARTER
MIKE AMYX
ARON E. CROMWELL

October 9, 2012

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 Schumm presiding and members Amyx, Carter, Cromwell and Dever present.

A. RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION

1. Proclaimed the month of October, 2012 as Meet the Blind Month and Monday, October 15, 2012 as White Cane Safety Day.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Amyx, seconded by Cromwell, to approve the consent agenda as below. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Approved City Commission meeting minutes from 09/04/12 and 09/25/12.
2. Received minutes from various boards and commissions:

Community Development Advisory Committee meeting of 08/30/12
Hospital Board meetings of 06/20/12 and 07/26/12
3. Approved claims to 173 vendors in the amount of \$8,434,547.10; and, payroll from Sept 23, 2012 to Oct 6, 2012 in the amount of \$1,898,016.54
4. Approved licenses as recommended by the City Clerk's Office.

Class A Club License for Alford Clarke Post No. 852, 138 Alabama and Retail Liquor Licenses for Haskell Liquors, 1910 Haskell D-11 and Jensen Retail Liquor, 620 West 9th.
5. Approved appointment of Fred Conboy, Steve Nowak, and Tim Keller to the 150th Anniversary Committee. Reappointed Allen Belot to the Hospital Board to an additional term that expires 09/30/16.
6. Bid and purchase items:



- a) Set bid date of October 30, 2012 for the Comprehensive Rehabilitation Projects located at 1024 Iowa Street and 1315 E. 21st Street.
- 7. Authorized the City Manager to execute the necessary agreements with Cigna to provide stop loss coverage at the current levels for the City's Employee Healthcare Plan for 2013 in the amount of \$813,553, as recommended.
- 8. Authorized the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Douglas County Senior Services, implementing the Safe Winter Walkways program.
- 9. Authorized City staff to apply for a grant to install Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in the Riverfront Parking Garage, New Hampshire Street Parking Garage or the new 700 block of Vermont parking garage. The City would be responsible for the cost of the installation of \$3,000 and licensing fees of \$230 per year.
- 10. Authorized the Mayor to sign a Release of Mortgage for Katherine Spano, 1538 Harper Street.

C. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

David Corliss, City Manager, presented the report.

D. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. **Consider adopting on first reading, Ordinance No. 8810, banning aerial luminaries within the City of Lawrence.**

Mark Bradford, Fire Medical Chief, presented the staff report.

Mayor Schumm called for public comment.

After receiving no public comment, Commissioner Amyx asked if the fire would be out, in those aerial luminaries, when they came back down to the earth.

Bradford said not necessarily. He said there had been reports of numerous field and structural fires outside the United States, but no reports in this country as of yet. He said it depended on weather conditions and whether or not the canopy on those luminaries stayed intact. If the luminaires tore or burned, the liquid material could still be burning.

Commissioner Cromwell asked if Bradford was suggesting that having a large paper bag with a candle or flame in it blowing around in the City was a bad idea from a fire point of view.

Bradford said it was a bad idea from any point of view such as safety.

Marvin Weldon, Lawrence, asked how he could become a member of the advisory board.

Corliss said he could talk to Mr. Weldon after the City Commission meeting.

Moved by Cromwell, seconded by Carter, to adopt on first reading, Ordinance No. 8810, banning aerial luminaries within the City of Lawrence.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

David Corliss, City Manager, outlined potential future agenda items.

G: COMMISSION ITEMS:

None.

H: CALENDAR:

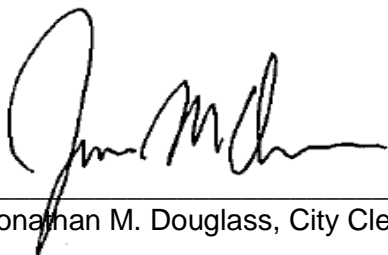
David Corliss, City Manager, reviewed calendar items.

I: CURRENT VACANCIES – BOARDS/COMMISSIONS:

Existing and upcoming vacancies on City of Lawrence Boards and Commissions were listed on the agenda.

Moved by Dever, seconded by Amyx, to adjourn at 6:56 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 23, 2012.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan M. Douglass', is written over a horizontal line.

Jonathan M. Douglass, City Clerk