

AGENDA SESSION
MAY 3, 2011
3:00 P.M.

Chairman Ladd called the meeting of the Agenda Session to order with Councilpersons Scott, Rico, Berz, Benson, Gilbert, and Murphy present. Councilman McGary joined the meeting later. City Attorneys Michael McMahan and Phil Noblett; Management Analyst Randy Burns; and Shirley Crownover, Assistant Clerk to the Council, were also present.

Others present included Dan Johnson, Jim Templeton, Donna Kelley, David Johnson, Missy Crutchfield, Melissa Turner, Sandy Coulter, Gary Hilbert, Mike Patrick, Larry Zehnder, Steve Leach, Dickie Hutsell, Bill Payne, Lee Norris, Richard Beeland, and Vickie Haley. Greg Haynes and Karen Rennich joined the meeting later.

Mr. Johnson proceeded to go over tonight's agenda items. The first was **Ordinance V(a)** relative to inspection and maintenance agreements and was passed on first reading last week.

Resolutions (a) and (b) were discussed last week in Parks and Recreation Committee. **Resolution (c)** will be discussed in Parks and Recreation Committee. **Resolution (d)** was discussed in Public Works Committee last week; **Resolution (e)** was also discussed last week.

Resolution (f) rescinds Resolution No. 25903 in regards to the street name change of Bluff View and was discussed last week in committee and will be discussed again in Legal and Legislative Committee.

Resolution (g) authorizes the waiver of fees at the Wood Recycling Center because of the demand of wood by everyone. This is being recommended by Public Works.

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Mr. Johnson noted that **Ordinances (a) through (d)** are zoning issues. Councilman Benson wanted to discuss **Ordinance (a)** that amends the Code to provide for a Special Exceptions Permit for equine for personal use by the Board of Appeals in the R-1 Residential Zone. He had booklets to hand out telling the reason for this Ordinance to correct a certain condition; that the property in question had had no horses for years but now they had put horses back in and were violating the grandfather clause and depreciating the value of townhomes nearby; that he hoped they would have to go back to 150 ft. for the barn and animals with this Special Permit; that the patios of these townhouses were near where the horses were defecating.

Ms. Rennich stated that she and John were going out there later this week.

Councilwoman Scott asked if we were looking at this particular issue separately or talking about the Ordinance in general? She felt that if we were talking about the Ordinance that this needed to be discussed in Legal and Legislative Committee—that this was an example of conflicting committee issues.

Councilman Murphy agreed that technically this was not zoning.

Attorney McMahan stated that this could be talked about at the appropriate time. Chairman Ladd asked if this should be discussed in Legal and Legislative and was told “yes”.

Resolution (a) authorizes the City Finance Officer to execute a new plan document for Nationwide Retirement Solutions 457 Plan and accepting the terms. This is being brought about by a change in the law. Councilwoman Scott stated that she was going to announce this tonight—that this is a long document, and they were going to try to put a copy in the Council Office so anyone could come by and read it if they wished; that there would also be an E-File of it if someone did not want to come to the office. She related that it would “put you to sleep”.

Resolution (b) is a Special Exceptions Permit for a home for mentally handicapped and/or aged persons at 1318 Arlington Ave.

Mr. Johnson proceeded to go over tonight’s purchases, the first one being a blanket contract for Sure/Rapid Dry for Parks and Recreation from Southern Athletic Fields for approximately \$10,000 annually. The second was for six variable frequency drives for Public Works from Rome Electric Motor Works for \$46,800.00. The third was for Personnel—license, software support and maintenance from NeoGov for \$16,080.00. The last was an emergency purchase for an insurance premium for Human Services. Mr. Johnson noted that there had been a change in administration and Ron Swafford was trying to get in agreement with rules and procedures; that this was due the first part of February and needed to be paid before they cancel the insurance.

Councilman McGary went back to ask about the software for Personnel. Ms. Kelley explained that it was Internet Based Recruitment across the nation.

Mr. Johnson stated that Ron Swafford would be present tonight to discuss the emergency purchase.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.