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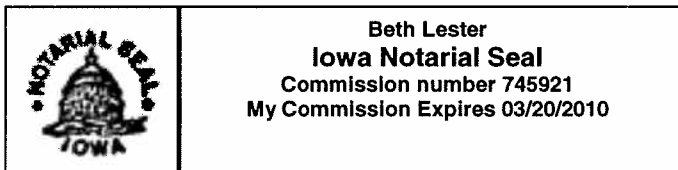
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**STATE OF IOWA  
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**CITY OF MUSCATINE  
BUDGET REVIEW SESSION  
Lower Level Conference Room  
4:30 p.m. - February 13, 2008**

Mayor Richard O'Brien called the budget review session for Wednesday, February 13, 2008, to order at 4:30 p.m. Councilmembers present were Shihadeh, Bynum, Lange, Press, Roby, and Fitzgerald. Also present were City Administrator A.J. Johnson and Finance Director Nancy Lueck.

The first item of business was to determine the next meeting date for City Council. At the request of Councilmember Lange, a poll was taken by City Council to see if they would be able to meet at another date and time other than Thursday, February 14, 2008. Councilmember Lange explained he would be out of town attending a funeral. There was discussion concerning this matter and the Mayor subsequently took a vote where the consensus was to hold a budget session at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, February 15, 2008. An additional budget meeting will be scheduled for Saturday, February 16, 2008, to meet the Iowa Open Meetings requirement if necessary.

The City Council was then asked by the City Administrator to take a position on House File 2212 which will be debated on Thursday, February 14, 2008, by the Iowa Legislature. This bill would institute a statewide ban on smoking at certain locations. There was discussion concerning this matter. Following that discussion, a vote was taken with four members voting to support the bill and two voting not to support it.

Councilmember Press then read a prepared statement concerning her position on the Emergency Management Levy.

The Council proceeded with the agenda review for the evening which included Capital Projects, Tax Increment Financing, Road Use Taxes, Debt Service, and the local option sales tax. City Administrator Johnson and Finance Director Lueck provided an overview of all of those activities. Various non-budgetary questions were raised that will be incorporated into future discussions with City Council.

Following the review of identified budget items, Finance Director Lueck distributed information that had been requested from Councilmember Shihadeh concerning adjustments in the Emergency Management Levy based on certain dollar amounts that may or may not be included.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,  
A.J. Johnson  
City Administrator**