

CITY OF MUSCATINE
REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL
Council Chambers - May 19, 1988 - 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Don LeMar.

Roll Call: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer present.

The opening prayer was given by Reverend Ted Williams of the Nazarene Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor LeMar announced the hearing was being held to receive public comment on Phase I of the proposed Comprehensive Assistance Improvement Program for the Clark House and Sunset Park Public Housing Projects.

There were no oral comments for or against the project.

There were no written petitions for or against.

#10954. Councilmember Amerine moved to close the hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Kemp. All ayes; motion carried.

#10955. Councilmember Brewer moved to approve the Minutes of the May 5, 1988 Regular City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes; motion carried.

#10956. Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the Minutes of the May 12, 1988 In-Depth City Council meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes; motion carried.

City Administrator Wolff reported the inspections for the liquor license applications have been completed and were found to be compliance with applicable regulations with the exception of fire violations at the Moose Lodge.

#10957. Councilmember York moved to approve the following: (1) Renewal of Class "E" Beer and Sunday Sales Permit for Walgreens Co., U.S. 38 and 61 - Walgreens Co., (2) Renewal of Class "B" Beer and Sunday Sales Permit for Happy Times, 525 Mulberry - David Clausen, (3) Renewal of Class "A" Liquor License and Sunday Sales Permit for Moose Lodge #388 - Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #388, subject to correction of fire violations, and (4) Renewal of Class "B" Liquor License for Hotel Muscatine, 101 West Mississippi Drive - Anson Enterprises, Ltd. Seconded by Councilmember Amerine. All ayes; motion carried.

#10958. Councilmember Sayles moved to approve the request from the Muscatine Running Club to use public right-of-way for the Great River Days Watermelon Stampede running event on August 20, 1988 subject to coordinating

traffic control with the Police Department. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes; motion carried.

Soren Wolff, City Administrator, reported a lawsuit has been filed against the City of Muscatine as a result of an accident on January 2, 1987 at the intersection of Hiways 61 and 38.

#10959. Councilmember Amerine moved to receive the lawsuit by Leona Rich and forward it to the City Attorney and the City's insurance company. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor LeMar announced a Flag Day celebration would be held at City Hall on June 14, 1988 at approximately 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. and invited everyone to attend.

#10960. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing for June 2, 1988 on the proposed changes to the Sign Ordinance. Seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

#10961. Councilmember Sayles moved the ordinance be approved on second reading to change the Downtown Parking System. Seconded by Councilmember Amerine.

Councilmember York stated he had met with several individuals involved with the downtown area and also talked with the City Administrator regarding a proposal for keeping personnel at one of the current attendant lots to monitor the proposed free parking. He noted this alternate proposal, however, is not expected to meet the objectives of the proposed changes to the parking system, and as a result he stated he would support the changes as proposed.

City Administrator Wolff stated estimated costs and revenues of this alternate proposal have not been computed, but these amounts can be estimated by City staff. He noted the costs of operating the attendant lots exceed the revenues under the current system and stated it is not certain if this situation would be changed under the proposed alternate arrangement. He stated more information would be available before the third reading of the ordinance.

Councilmember Brewer stated he would like to see the downtown area utilized more and would be in support of the alternate proposal. He noted under this alternative, the layoff of parking staff would be reduced and that he would be in favor of trying this alternative, even if it would be for a three month trial period.

Councilmember Kemp stated he felt there would be experimentation with several options before the system changes are completed.

Vote - All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and ordinance approved on second reading.

#10962. Councilmember Brewer moved the resolution be adopted approving the plans, specifications, and cost estimates for Phase I of the Public Housing Improvement Project and setting the bid opening date for June 7, 1988.

Seconded by Councilmember Kemp. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Wolff reported that one bid was received for the HVAC work for Phase IV of the Water Pollution Control Renovation Project from Moody Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc., in the amount of \$38,463.00. He noted the engineer's estimate for this part of the project was \$32,200.00. He then reviewed the total costs for the contracted work in this phase of the project, noting that the bids for the five contracts total \$165,281 which is under the engineer's estimate of \$185,165. Additionally, he stated the cost of this phase of the project including purchases and in-house work is estimated at \$240,781 which is within the \$250,000 estimated cost previously discussed by City Council.

#10963. Councilmember Amerine moved to adopt the resolution awarding the contract for the HVAC work for Phase IV of the Water Pollution Control Renovation Project to Moody Heating and Air Conditioning, Inc., in the amount of \$38,463.00. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Wolff reported the contract documents and bonds for the four bids for work for Phase IV of the Water Pollution Control Plant Renovation project awarded at the May 5, 1988 Council meeting have been received, with the exception of the bond for the concrete work from Hawkeye Contractors. He recommended the contract with Hawkeye Contractors be approved subject to receipt of the required bond and its review by the City Attorney.

#10964. Councilmember Amerine moved to approve the resolutions for contracts for Phase IV of the Water Pollution Control Renovation Project as follows: (1) Resolution approving contract and bond with Hawkeye Contractors, Ltd. in the amount of \$23,720 for concrete work, subject to receipt of the required bond and its review by the City Attorney, (2) Resolution approving contract and bond with Hy-Brand Industrial Contractors, Ltd., in the amount of \$49,700 for the masonry work, (3) Resolution approving contract and bond with Thornton's Hometown Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$24,828 for the plumbing work, and (4) Resolution approving contract and bond with Muscatine Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$28,570 for the electrical work. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolutions duly adopted.

Kevin Whittaker, Director of Planning and Community Development described the boundaries of the proposed Downtown Urban Revitalization District.

City Administrator Wolff stated all property owners will be receiving a notice in regard to the public hearing for the proposed district to be held on July 7, 1988.

#10965. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted initiating procedures for and setting a public hearing on establishing the Downtown Urban Revitalization District for July 7, 1988. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles,

Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

#10966. Councilmember York moved the resolution be adopted accepting completed work on the Riverfront Parking Project and payments be authorized as outlined in the resolution. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles.

Councilmember Kemp stated that the riverfront area is looking very nice with the completion of the various projects in that area. He noted receiving favorable comments from individuals on this improvement.

Vote - All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Councilmember York commented on the "poor craftsmanship" shown on the street work in the Madison School Target Area.

#10967. Councilmember York moved the resolution be adopted accepting the final work on the Madison School Target Area and payment be authorized as outlined in the resolution. Seconded by Councilmember Harder.

Councilmember Kemp noted there also have been drainage problems in this area and stated he hoped these would be corrected.

City Administrator Wolff stated these problems have occurred due to the grades of several of the existing properties and that temporary measures were attempted to help with these problems. He also indicated the City would be installing an inlet in this area to help alleviate the problems.

There was discussion on the location of the property affected.

Vote - All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

#10968. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing for June 2, 1988 on the proposed FY 1987/88 Budget Amendments. Seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Wolff referred Councilmembers to copies of the resolution for amending the budget for the City's Housing Programs. He noted these are also included in the City's budget amendments to be considered at the June 2nd meeting, but the Housing amendments are required by HUD to be submitted earlier. He noted property tax funds are not utilized for the operation of the Housing Programs.

#10969. Councilmember Sayles moved the resolution be adopted amending the Housing Program budgets for FY 1987/88. Seconded by Councilmember Amerine. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

In regard to issuance of General Obligation bonds, City Administrator Wolff stated the City's bond attorney provides a legal opinion as to whether the proposed bonds meet all legal requirements of the State and Federal

governments. He indicated an area of concern noted was the portion of the bond issue proposed to fund the purchase of the former Timarina buildings. He stated that with the federal tax law changes in 1986, if a private venture would benefit from the bond issue, the issue would not be eligible for tax exempt status. He noted this does not mean the City can not issue bonds for this project, but it may mean the City would be required to issue separate bonds which would be subject to taxation and accordingly be issued at a higher interest rate. He recommended this portion of the bond issue, in the amount of \$62,000, be deleted from the current proposal. He also indicated the City can internally fund this project until it is determined how these buildings would be used. He also reviewed the projects included in the issue which are classified as essential corporate purposes and those classified as non-essential purposes.

#10970. Councilmember Kemp moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing for June 2, 1988 on the proposed issuance of \$1,065,000 of general obligation bonds. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

#10971. Councilmember Amerine moved to approve the Letter of Intent, as amended, with the Corps of Engineers for the 200 Year Flood Protection Project and the Mayor be authorized to sign on behalf of the City. Seconded by Councilmember Kemp.

Councilmember Harder asked how the amendment affected the City's obligation for the project.

City Administrator Wolff stated the proposed amendment would be inserted in place of the last two paragraphs of the original letter included in the agenda packet. He noted that when the City Council met with the Corps of Engineers, the Corps indicated the City Council would not be authorizing final commitment of the City to the project. He noted, however, the wording in the letter of intent appears to make the City obligated for funding of this project. He also noted the detail design has not been reviewed by the City. He referred Councilmembers to the stipulation in the amendment by the Muscatine-Louisa Drainage District #13 that any local financial obligations be paid by the Muscatine Island Levee District and the City of Muscatine. He stated this stipulation is due to the Levee District being larger and encompassing the Drainage District, and will result in eliminating double assessments if the local costs are assessed to the property owners. Mr. Wolff also indicated that this letter has been requested by the Corps of Engineers so they may proceed with a request for federal funding for this project, and any local commitments would be contingent on the approval of federal funding. He also noted that if this project is approved, it will be a complicated matter in determining how the local costs should be funded. He stated it is proposed these costs be shared with the industries benefited by this project. He also noted the Muscatine Island Levee District has not yet signed the Letter of Intent, but it was his understanding they would sign if City approval was granted.

Vote - All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried.

City Administrator Wolff reported the request for Council approval to proceed with the voluntary demolition of properties on Mulberry and Fifth Streets has been the result of efforts of the Building and Zoning Department.

Steve Boka, Building and Zoning Administrator, stated this request involves three properties sharing common walls which were damaged in a fire earlier this year. He stated the property owners have waived rights of appeal and agreed to have the City hire a contractor to remove these structures with the costs to be reimbursed by the property owners or placed as an assessment against the property. He listed the property owners and allocated costs of the proposed demolition: (1) Kathy and Charles L. King, \$9,656.35, (2) Wayne Zumwalt, \$5,276.15, and (3) Benjamin Padilla, \$4,977.50. He indicated there was not any insurance carried on the last property, and this cost may need to be assessed against the property.

Mayor LeMar asked if there was a change in name of the low bidder for the demolition.

Steve Boka indicated the low bidder was LAB Enterprises, Incorporated, which was formerly Bozarth and Bell, Incorporated. He added this firm has received favorable recommendations from the City of Davenport.

Councilmember Kemp commented on the difference in the amounts bid for this project. He also stated he was pleased with the efforts of the Building and Zoning staff in reaching this agreement.

Steve Boka indicated it is currently difficult to obtain insurance for this type of project, and this may account for the difference in the bids.

Kathy King, owner of the property at 420 Mulberry Avenue, expressed her appreciation for the efforts of the Police and Fire Departments the night of the fire. She also stated Steve Boka has been very helpful in working with the property owners to arrange for the demolition of these buildings.

City Administrator Wolff thanked Mrs. King for her cooperation and efforts in working with City staff and the other owners to reach this agreement.

#10972. Councilmember Kemp moved to award the bid for demolition of the properties at Fifth and Mulberry to LAB Enterprises, Incorporated in the amount of \$19,910.00 and to also approve the three agreements with the property owners for the voluntary demolition of these properties. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried.

#10973. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing on assessing the costs of demolition of property at 1012 Lombard and 1548 Grant in the amounts of \$2,475 and \$1,800, respectively. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

#10974. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted authorizing the submittal of an application to the Iowa Department of Economic Development for a \$200,000 grant for National By-Products and further

authorizing the signature of the Letter of Intent, as amended, for the pretreatment facility. Seconded by Councilmember Harder.

City Administrator Wolff stated the amendment to the Letter of Intent was proposed as a result of questions raised at the In Depth Council Meeting and also by the President of the Development Corporation. He noted this proposed amendment states the Letter of Intent would be void if the number of employees is less than 50 unless this was due to specified circumstances as listed in this amendment.

Councilmember Harder asked if this amendment has been reviewed by National By-Products.

City Administrator Wolff stated a copy has been forwarded to them, but a response has not yet been received.

Councilmember Kemp asked when notification would be received from the Department of Economic Development if the grant was approved. He also asked if it would be beneficial if representatives of the City would attend the meeting with this organization.

City Administrator Wolff stated this group would be meeting on May 25th to review this application and an indication of their decision may be available after that date. He also stated representatives of National By-Products would be attending this meeting, and he would contact the Economic Development Department to see if it would be advantageous for City representatives to also attend.

Vote - All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

Kevin Whittaker, Director of Planning and Community Development, described the locations of streets proposed for improvements in the Garfield School Target Area. He noted the contract documents for the Community Block Grant for this project have not yet been received, but these documents should be received in the near future.

City Administrator Wolff stated the City is interested in proceeding with the project as soon as possible so the project can be completed in a timely manner. He indicated approval has been received for grant funding of the preliminary expenditures as of March 4, 1988 which was necessary to begin this project. He stated it is proposed a public hearing be set for June 2, 1988 for this project, and at that time the contract documents for the grant funding also should be available.

City Administrator Wolff also noted it is hoped that funding will be available to complete additional streets in the following year.

#10975. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing for June 2, 1988 on Public Improvements for the Garfield School Target Area. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Wolff reported three bids were received for the street pavement marking program. He stated the low bid was from Dennis Parking Lot Maintenance, Inc., in the amount of \$7,959.07. He also stated the City has contacted the Iowa Department of Transportation and other communities and received good recommendations for this firm. He also showed a map of the streets proposed to be included in this program.

Councilmember Kemp asked if other streets could be added if they would be found to warrant striping this year. He noted concerns for the several of the City's crosswalks.

City Administrator Wolff stated the City's crews paint the crosswalks, and the contracted work generally includes only the painting of the center markings and edge markings of streets. He indicated other streets could be added if found to be needed with the added cost to be on a per foot basis.

#10976. Councilmember Amerine moved to award the bid for Street Pavement Marking Project to Dennis Parking Lot Maintenance, Inc., in the amount of \$7,959.07. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried.

#10977. Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the Civil Service Certification List for the position of Firefighter. Seconded by Councilmember Kemp.

Councilmember Brewer noted that the list includes eleven names when generally only up to ten are certified.

City Administrator Wolff noted the maximum is generally ten unless there is a tie for the tenth position, then additional applicants can be certified.

Vote - All ayes; motion carried.

#10978. Councilmember York moved to receive and file Items A through J. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes; motion carried.

#10979. Councilmember Kemp moved to approve bills totaling \$1,052,400.50 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to issue warrants for the same. Seconded by Councilmember Amerine. All ayes; motion carried.

#10980. Councilmember Sayles moved to approve the ordinance on fourth and final reading to change the procedures for appointing and removing Police and Fire Chiefs to be appointment and removal by the Mayor subject to City Council approval and this ordinance be published in the Muscatine Journal as required. Seconded by Councilmember Harder.

Councilmember Kemp stated he hoped this issue would be finalized tonight. He stated his constituents as well as his family have been divided on this issue, and that the compromise he suggested at the previous Council meeting proposing to delay implementation of the ordinance change had been an attempt to satisfy these groups. He stated he did not feel a personality conflict was involved in this issue, but he was looking at what would be best for the City of Muscatine. He stated it was his opinion that the Mayor with Council approval option would be the best, since the City Council is responsible for

the budgets of these departments. He stated he hoped the Mayor and Council can continue to work in a team effort.

Jim Meltzer, 921 W. 3rd, stated the City has had a new Mayor, the firing of the former Police Chief, and the loss of a Councilmember since the beginning of 1988. He stated the Councilmembers must feel valid in their efforts to change this ordinance, but that he felt a majority of people do not want this changed. He stated the petition filed opposing this change had 1,400 signatures and he felt that three of the City's five wards were opposed to this change. He stated he felt the At-Large Councilmembers should listen to these opinions. He also noted that Councilmembers had voted in favor of all items on the agenda during this meeting and did not question any items.

Councilmember Amerine stated he has been contacted by individuals who have stated they do not feel the Police and Fire Chiefs should have eight bosses. He stated that this proposed ordinance change would not mean these positions would have eight bosses. He stated that once the appointments are made, the individuals in these positions will report to the City Administrator, like the other department heads of the City. He indicated the proposed ordinance change would only change the hiring and removal procedures.

Councilmember Kemp stated he agreed with Councilmember Amerine that many people have this misconception. He also stated that he has put effort into review of the items on the agenda and has spent five hours just on Phase IV of the Water Pollution Control Renovation Project, discussing this with Water Pollution Control Plant staff, as well as the Mayor. He noted that Councilmembers review agenda items prior to the Council meetings.

Councilmember Sayles noted that many of the items on this agenda were discussed by Council at the May 12, 1988 In Depth meeting. She stated that much of Council's discussion is done at these meetings and that the In Depth meetings will also be televised on the local cable channel beginning in August, 1988.

Mr. Meltzer stated that many individuals think the In Depth meetings are closed meetings.

Calvin Purdy, 920 Webster Street, stated the department heads are subordinate to the City Administrator, but asked who the City Administrator was subordinate to.

It was noted the City Administrator is subordinate to the City Council.

There was discussion of the organizational structure of the City.

Councilmember Kemp stated it was a misconception that Councilmembers cannot seek information from department heads of the City. He stated he has gathered information from these individuals while each of the last three City Administrators have been with the City.

Councilmember Brewer stated the consideration of the proposed ordinance change has divided the City. He stated he would support delaying implementation of a change until January 2, 1990, in order not to appear vindictive, but still was in favor of the Mayor retaining the sole appointment

and removal authority for the Police and Fire Chiefs. He stated, however, he felt it was important to proceed with other City business.

Mayor LeMar stated he felt there was something deeper than what was on the surface of this issue.

Vote - Five ayes: Councilmembers Sayles, Harder, Kemp, Phillips, and York. Two nays: Councilmembers Brewer and Amerine. Motion carried and ordinance adopted on fourth and final reading.

Councilmember York noted the report from the Bi-State Metropolitan Planning Commission which showed average incomes of individuals and families in Muscatine and the five county area served by this Commission. He commented on the averages noted for the City of Muscatine and requested this information be posted in City Hall and forwarded to the Library for the public's information.

City Administrator Wolff stated this information was based on census data and indicated Muscatine was one of few area cities that has not lost population. He also noted Muscatine had the largest percentage family income increase of 51% for an average family of four for the years from 1979 to 1986. He stated this information has been forwarded to the local media.

Councilmember Brewer asked if a property owner's responsibility for sidewalks included the portion between the property line and the street. He noted one of the locations in question was on the corner of Howard and Jackson which had a sidewalk that ended abruptly.

City Administrator Wolff indicated the City would be responsible if it was on a curbed and guttered street and indicated he would check this location.

Councilmember Brewer also asked who had responsibility for trees between the property line and the street.

City Administrator Wolff stated this is the property owner's responsibility, unless the tree is diseased and then it would be the City's responsibility. He noted these provisions are based on State law and City Code requirements.

Councilmember Brewer asked who would be responsible if tree roots damaged sidewalks.

City Administrator Wolff stated this would be the property owner's responsibility.

City Administrator Wolff reported there have been discussions with American Grain Related Industries (Agri Industries) in regard to a new lease and permit for a strip of land for loading and unloading from the River. He stated that a public hearing would be required before the lease can be executed.

Larry Wolf, Director of Parks and Recreation, reported that the previous lease has expired for this area and a request has been received to continue with a similar lease and permit at this location. He stated the amounts due

to the City under the previous lease were tied to the Consumer Price Index and the proposed new lease would continue with this provision. He showed a photograph of the location of this property.

#10981. Councilmember York moved the resolution be adopted setting a public hearing for June 2, 1988 for the proposed permit and lease between the City of Muscatine and American Grain Related Industries. Seconded by Councilmember Amerine. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

City Administrator Wolff referred Councilmembers to copies of a memorandum from Larry Wolf in regard to the proposed additional dredging of the river in the area of the gas barge. He noted this dredging was begun last fall, but was not completed at that time.

Larry Wolf, Director of Parks and Recreation, described the location of the area dredged last fall and the area proposed for additional dredging. He stated that the current water depth in the area of the gas barge is about 18 inches. He stated it is proposed the dredging be done in an area approximately 200 feet long, 75 feet wide, and 3 feet deep, which would make the average depth 4 to 5 feet. He also noted the 75 foot width is larger than the original plans, but it would assist in slowing the silting of this area. He also indicated that dredging has not been done in this area since 1960.

City Administrator Wolff stated the cost of the project would be on a time and materials basis and estimated the cost at \$5,000. He noted there is \$2,582 left from last year's allocation and recommended the additional cost be funded within the City's General Fund. He stated that a verbal agreement has been reached that the dredging spoils can be transported to an island.

Councilmember Sayles asked if the cost estimate included disposal of the dredging spoils.

City Administrator Wolff indicated it did.

Larry Wolf stated it was fortunate the island site was found, as spoils added to the site which was used last fall could have a detrimental effect.

#10982. Councilmember Sayles moved to authorize up to \$5,000 be spent for dredging in the area of the gas barge. Seconded by Councilmember Phillips. All ayes; motion carried.

City Administrator Wolff referred Councilmembers to a copy of a memorandum from Randy Hill, Acting Public Works Director, in regard to the request by Councilmembers to consider moving parking back on Mulberry near the intersection of Parham, in order to improve visibility for cars turning onto Mulberry. He noted it is proposed that parking be restricted for 110 feet north of that intersection and 115 feet to the south. He recommended this item be tabled until the next Council meeting and the property owners be notified of this proposal.

Councilmember Harder commented the visibility problems seemed to be improved since this item was noted at the previous meeting.

City Administrator Wolff noted that the visibility depends on the types of vehicles parked in this area.

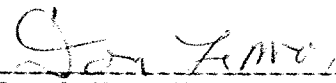
#10983. Councilmember Kemp moved to table consideration of restricting parking on Mulberry near Parham until the next Council meeting and direct staff to notify property owners in this area of the proposal. Seconded by Councilmembers York. All ayes; motion carried.

City Administrator Wolff stated it was proposed that Council discuss truck routes throughout the City at the June or July In Depth Council meeting; however, problems have been occurring with trucks on the streets in the Madison School Target Area. He noted complaints have been received of trucks turning off Park Avenue onto Harrison, and then onto Lincoln Boulevard. He noted these recently resurfaced streets were not designed for this type of traffic and recommended a resolution be considered by City Council to immediately install signs prohibiting trucks over eight (8) tons to travel on Lincoln Boulevard between Clay Street and Lake Park Boulevard.

#10984. Councilmember Amerine moved the resolution be adopted establishing load limits on Lincoln Boulevard between Clay Street and Lake Park Boulevard. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes: Councilmembers York, Harder, Sayles, Phillips, Amerine, Kemp, and Brewer. Motion carried and resolution duly adopted.

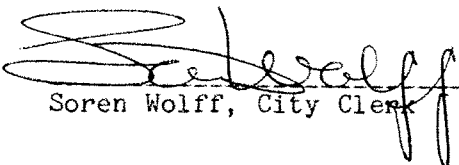
#10985. Councilmember York moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Don LeMar, Mayor

Attest:



Soren Wolff, City Clerk