CITY OF MUSCATINE

REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers - February 3, 1983 - 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Donald R. Platt.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, York, Hilton, Plett, Waltman and Brewer present.

The opening prayer was given by Pastor Earl Harvey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Platt announced the purpose of the public hearing was to receive public comment on the proposed elevator project for City Hall.

Mr. Dewey Sissel, 2801 Mulberry Avenue, representing the Great River Federation of the Handicapped, urged City Council to approve this project to allow handicapped citizens access to City Hall.

There were no written petitions for or against.

#5893. Councilmember Waltman moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Platt announced the purpose of the public hearing was to receive public comment on the proposal to purchase two additional public transit buses.

There were no oral appearances for or against.

There were no written petitions for or against.

#5894. Councilmember Plett moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Kite. All ayes; motion carried.

#5895. Councilmember Brewer moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 20, 1983. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes; motion carried.

Pastor Harvey suggested the placement of trash receptacles on each corner in the downtown area, not just on Second Street, to aid in cleaning up the downtown area.

#5896. Councilmember Waltman moved to approve the renewal of a Class "C" Liquor License for Muscatine Labor Activities, Inc., 222 West Second Street, and Class "C" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales Permit for Nash-Finch Company, d/b/a Sun Mart, 807 Grandview Avenue. Seconded by Councilmember Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

#5897. Councilmember Kite moved to approve Proclamations declaring the week of February 6-12, 1983, as Scouting Anniversary Week, and the month of February, 1983, as American History Month. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes; motion carried.

#5899. Councilmember Brewer moved to approve the Ordinance on first reading to exempt non-profit organizations from paying the license or permit fees under Title 5, Chapter 14, Section 3 of the City Code. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, York, Hilton, Plett, Waltman and Brewer. Motion carried and Ordinance approved on first reading.

#5900. Councilmember Waltman moved to approve the Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract, cost estimate and setting date for receipt of bids for the City Hall elevator and ramp project. Seconded by Councilmember Plett. Ayes: Councilmembers York, Plett, Waltman and Brewer. Nays: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, and Hilton. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5901. Councilmember Plett moved to appropriate the bequest from the Wood estate in the amount of \$57,758.56 plus interest earned and the \$1,000 donation from the Coast Guard Auxiliary plus interest earned toward the City Hall elevator and ramp project with the additional funds to complete the project to be included in a spring general obligation bond issue in an amount not to exceed \$75,000. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. Four ayes; three nays (Councilmembers Kite, Sayles and Hilton). Motion carried.

Councilmember Sayles stated that she is opposed to this project due to the fact that she feels this money should be spent on a project which was already in the Capital Improvements Program. Councilmember Kite stated that he questions the cost of the project. Councilmember Hilton stated that she feels other projects which are of higher priority should be completed with these funds.

#5902. Councilmember Sayles moved to approve the Resolution authorizing publication of notice to bidders and setting date for receipt of bids for the purchase of two public transit vehicles with the changes as outlined by the Transit Supervisor. Seconded by Councilmember Kite. All ayes: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, York, Hilton, Plett, Waltman and Brewer. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5903. Councilmember Waltman moved to approve the Resolution setting public hearing on the East Fourth, East Fifth and Poplar Streets and Sewer Improvement Project for February 17, 1983, at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, York, Hilton, Plett, Waltman and Brewer. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5904. Councilmember Waltman moved to approve the Resolution setting public hearing on February 17, 1983, at 7:30 p.m. on the Muscatine Municipal Golf Course Parking Lot Improvement Project. Seconded by Councilmember Kite. All ayes: Councilmembers Kite, Sayles, York, Hilton, Plett, Waltman and Brewer. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5905. Councilmember Waltman moved to extend the lease and agreement dated June 10, 1977, with GPC to June 10, 2000, plus an additional time period equal to the value of the existing hangar door on the GPC facility subject to the City being able to fund the removal and reinstallation of the door. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes; motion carried.

#5906. Councilmember Plett moved to defer the request to write off uncollectible sanitary sewer and refuse collection fees for 1982 to the in-depth Council meeting for discussion. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes; motion carried.

#5907. Councilmember York moved to establish the position of Community Development Technician at Pay Plan 2, Step 18. Seconded by Councilmember Plett. All ayes; motion carried.

#5908. Councilmember Waltman moved to approve the fee structure as proposed by the Golf Course Advisory Commission for the 1983 season. Seconded by Councilmember Kite. Six ayes; one nay (Councilmember York). Motion carried.

Councilmember York stated that he is opposed to raising the golf fees for young people.

#5909. Councilmember Sayles moved to receive and file items A through E. Seconded by Councilmember Kite. All ayes; motion carried.

#5910. Councilmember Hilton moved to approve bills totaling \$506,193.12 and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to issue warrants of the same. Seconded by Councilmember Plett. All ayes; motion carried.

Councilmember Sayles reported receiving a complaint on handicapped parking and suggested that decals be placed on the meters and an advertisement put in the newspaper informing citizens of their locations. City Administrator Wolff stated that the City will be painting the pavement at these locations with the handicapped symbol when weather permits.

- #5911. Councilmember Plett moved to approve the lease and agreement with Ann Hart, d/b/a "A Child's Place" Preschool for lease of a portion of Oak Street right-of-way in the amount of \$10.00 per year. Seconded by Councilmember York. All ayes; motion carried.
- #5912. Councilmember Kite moved to approve the agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for resurfacing of U.S. 61. Seconded by Councilmember Sayles. All ayes; motion carried.

#5913. Councilmember Waltman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Brewer. All ayes; motion carried.

Donald R. Platt, Mayor

Attest:

Soren Wolff, City Clerk