

CITY OF MUSCATINE

REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers - May 21, 1981 - 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Her Honor, Mayor Evelyn L. Schauland.

Roll Call: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman present.

The Opening Prayer was given by Pastor Wally Helms.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Schauland announced the public hearing was being held to receive public comment on the proposed lease of right-of-way at 923 West Third Street for parking purposes.

There were no oral appearances for or against.

A written petition from Mr. C.R. Liebke, 919 West Third Street, was received in favor of the proposed parking.

#5474. Ald. Duncan moved to close the public hearing. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Schauland announced the purpose of the public hearing was to hear public comment on the proposed Ordinance requiring owners of all residential rental property to register with City.

City Administrator Wolff reviewed the proposed Ordinance and its effect on property owners.

Mr. Ron Reynolds, 1122 Mulberry, representing the Property Owners Association, presented proposed changes to the proposed Ordinance. He requested City Council to delay voting on this Ordinance to allow them work with City staff on this matter.

#5475. Ald. Platt moved to close the public hearing. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Schauland announced the public hearing was being held to receive public comment on the proposed Ordinance to adopt a new Housing Code.

Ms. Enriqueta Martinez, 1251 Halstead, spoke in favor of the proposed Housing Code outlining problems experienced in the apartment in which she resides.

Ms. Terry Brangan, 418 Iowa Avenue, Vista Volunteer, spoke in favor of the proposed Housing Code stating that the condition of rental housing in Muscatine could be improved by this Code .

Ms. Kathy Egenberger, Director of Muscatine Legal Services, urged City Council to adopt a strict Housing Code.

Atty. Jose Olvera, 216½ Iowa Avenue, spoke in favor of the proposed Housing Code stating that he feels it is fair and certain standards should be met.

Mr. Bill Myers, 1108 West Eighth Street, stated that he felt consideration should be given to the proposal presented by Mr. Reynolds. He added that he felt if the proposed Housing Code were passed, rent would have to be increased.

#5476. Ald. Duncan moved to close the public hearing. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

#5477. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 7, 1981, as corrected. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

Mr. Malvern Green, 304 West Seventh Street, presented each Council member with a book entitled "Calling God's Tower . . . Come in, Please!" He stated that anyone who would like to have a copy should contact him.

#5478. Ald. Waltman moved to table for thirty days the application for a new Class "B" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales Permit for Riverbend Court Rooms, Inc., 2617 Park Avenue; and approve the Class "C" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales Permit for David and Deborah Wagner, d/b/a Dave and Deb's Apco, 202 Grandview Avenue; Class "B" Beer/Liquor License for Bette T. Anson and Jackie A. Opel, d/b/a Sandmound, R.R. #6, Grandview Avenue; and Class "C" Beer Permit and Sunday Sales Permit for Walgreen Company, d/b/a Walgreen, Muscatine Mall. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#5479. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the Resolution approving Cigarette Permit for Old Copper Kettle, 206 Walnut Street. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5480. Ald. Duncan moved to approve the request for Bethel A.M.E. Church to conduct the sale of "tags" in the City of Muscatine. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

#5481. Ald. Platt moved to approve the request for Little League to sell popcorn May 28, 1981, through June 4, 1981. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland announced the resignation of Marilyn Bekker from the Museum and Art Center Board of Trustees and submitted the name of Marjorie Betts for appointment.

#5482. Ald. Kemp moved to approve the appointment of Marjorie Betts to the Museum and Art Center Board of Trustees. Second by Ald. Duncan. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Schauland announced the "Honored Citizens of the Month" are all the graduating 3 point seniors and Mr. Howard Yerington for 31 years as a City employee.

#5483. Ald. Koehrsen moved to approve the Resolution setting a public hearing on the proposed rezoning of property at the end of East Eighth Street from M-2 Industrial to R-4 Residential on June 18, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5484. Ald. Duncan moved to approve the Ordinance on first reading to require owners of all residential rental properties to register with the City. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Ordinance approved on first reading.

Ald. Waltman moved to postpone the first reading of the Ordinance to adopt the revised Housing Code. Motion failed for lack of a second.

#5485. Ald. Duncan moved to approve the Ordinance on first reading to adopt the revised Housing Code. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Ordinance approved on first reading.

#5486. Ald. Platt moved to have the Property Owners Association, Atty. Olvera's group and City staff meet to review the changes presented by Mr. Reynolds to try to arrive at an agreement. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#5487. Ald. Platt moved to approve the Resolution authorizing the property owner at 923 West Third Street to utilize a portion of City right-of-way for parking purposes for a fee of \$60.00 annually. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5488. Ald. Hilton moved to approve the Resolution approving contract and bond with Langman Construction Company for the Houser Street Sanitary Sewer Project in the amount of \$208,357.50. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5489. Ald. Platt moved to approve the Resolution setting a public hearing on June 18, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. on the issuance of \$2.2 million Industrial Revenue Bonds for Carver Foundry Co. and authorizing execution of the Memorandum of Agreement. Second by Ald. Duncan. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

Item 11. F. on the agenda was deleted.

City Administrator Wolff reviewed the proposed budget amendments for the 1980-81 budget.

#5490. Ald. Kemp moved to hold a public hearing on June 4, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. for amending the 1980-81 budget. Second by Ald. Koehrsen. All ayes; motion carried.

#5491. Ald. Platt moved to approve the request for Mr. Paul Brewer to connect to the sanitary sewer on Dillaway Street. Second by Ald. Rada. All ayes; motion carried.

#5492. Ald. Koehrsen moved to have staff investigate a better way to handle the matter of this sewer. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

#5493. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the Resolution providing for the transfer of a portion of Long Meadow Lane to Mr. Harold Hammann in the amount of \$100.00. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5494. Ald. Rada moved to approve the Resolution approving an executed deed for the transfer of a portion of Long Meadow Lane to Mr. Harold Hammann. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

#5495. Ald. Rada moved to utilize the \$25,000 received from the sale of property on Clay Street to Nelson Electric to retain an engineering firm to develop cost estimates and preliminary design for a new public works facility. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

#5496. Ald. Duncan moved to approve the utility crossings on Cedar Street near Parham Street for extending a water line. Second by Ald. Koehrsen. All ayes; motion carried.

#5497. Ald. Waltman moved to approve the Civil Service certifications for the positions of Treatment Plant Operator I, Treatment Plant Operator II and Account Clerk. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

#5498. Ald. Duncan moved to receive and file items A through M. Second by Ald. Platt. All ayes; motion carried.

#5499. Ald. Koehrsen moved to approve bills totaling \$505,135.26 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to issue warrants of the same. Second by Ald. Hilton. All ayes; motion carried.

#5500. Ald. Platt moved to approve the Resolution setting a public hearing on June 4, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. on the vacation and transfer of an easement with Earle W. and Mary R. Smalley. Second by Ald. Kemp. All ayes: Ald. Platt, Koehrsen, Rada, Hilton, Kemp, Duncan and Waltman. Motion carried and Resolution duly adopted.

Ald. Platt reported receiving a complaint from Mr. Harry Hagerman that his fence was damaged at the corner of Houser and Fulliam during the Houser Street construction and has not been repaired.

Ald. Kemp reported that he had received an inquiry as to whether or not Grant Street is going to be extended between Sherman and Washington Streets.

Ald. Waltman reported that he has received several complaints about truck traffic in residential districts.

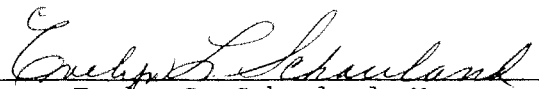
Ald. Kemp stated that synchronization of stop lights needs to be done, especially at Second and Oak Streets.

City Administrator Wolff reported that a drill would be held on Tuesday at approximately 8 a.m. to review flood procedures.

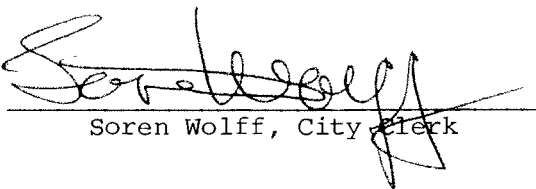
City Administrator Wolff announced the resignation of Joe Stevens, Director of Parks and Recreation, and stated that he will be leaving around June 29.

Mayor Schauland reminded citizens of the memorial services to be held on Monday at the Cemetery and Riverside Park.

#5501. Ald. Platt moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ald. Waltman. All ayes; motion carried.

  
Evelyn L. Schauland, Mayor

Attest:

  
Soren Wolff, City Clerk