## MUSCATINE CITY COUNCIL IN-DEPTH/BUDGET MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1994, 4:30 PM CITY HALL - LOWER LEVEL CONFERENCE ROOM

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Mayor Jeanette Phillips called the In-depth Meeting to order at 4:33 PM. Council present: Phillips, Moench, Freese, D. Gray, G. Gray, K. Fitzgerald, P. Fitzgerald, and O'Brien.

The first item on the in-depth agenda was an overview and request for the purchase of golf course club house furniture. Larry Wolf, Parks and Recreation Director, and Ed Englehart, Asst. Director, were present to review with council furniture bids received. A total of seven bids were received. After review of the material submitted, it would be the recommendation from staff that the bid from Saxton Furniture, Inc., Davenport, Iowa, in the amount of \$10,472 be accepted. After further discussion it was moved by Kevin Fitzgerald, seconded by Glenn Moench, to accept the bid from Saxton Furniture, Inc. in the amount of \$10,472. The projected delivery date is March 21, 1994.

With no other business to come before council, it was moved by K. Fitzgerald, seconded by D. Gray, for adjournment at 4:48 PM. All members vote aye.

The city council then continued its review of the Water Pollution Control operations. Within the Water Pollution Control Operations, the following were reviewed: Administration, Sludge, Collection and Drainage, Plant Operations, and Pumping Station. There were a variety of questions on the improvements to the plant and particularly associated with the possible improvements connected to the one percent sales tax. There were questions concerning the mapping of our underground piping system and whether or not our CAD system had this or had the capability of completing this request. There were questions concerning the application process used in our sludge control program. (Staff will report back on this.)

It was noted that the city staff would be recommending a rate increase as follows: 3.5% to 12.2% for residential customers and for commercial and industrial customers anywhere from a 3.8% decrease to a 16.5% increase, depending upon classification and usage. These proposed rates would take effect July 1, 1994. The rates would cover the continued diminishing revenues received primarily from industrial and commercial customers and to cover normal cost of living increases within our plant operation structure.

Following that review, the council reviewed Housing activities which includes: Clark House, Sunset, Hershey Manor administrative activities, Section VIII Voucher and Certificate Programs, and the 15 scattered site review. Also joining the discussion was Community Development Director Kevin Whittaker and Housing Administrator Wayne Taylor to review with city council in advance of their February 17 city council meeting the proposed bid letting for the improvements to the heating and air conditioning system to the Clark House. There was additional discussion concerning the scattered housing site units and a progressive program for replacement and/or selling of the units. (Wayne will report later to council on this issue.)

With no further information to review, council adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A.J. Johnson

City Administrator