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MUSCATINE CITY COUNCIL IN-DEPTH MEETING Council Chambers 7:00 p.m. - June 11, 2009

The City Council In-Depth meeting for June 11, 2009 was called to order by Mayor Dick O'Brien at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Lange, Roby, Bynum, Shltadeh, Howard, Fitzgerald, and Press. Also present were City Administrator A.J. Johnson, Public Works Director Randy Hill, Finance Director Nancy Lueck, Parks and Recreation Director Rich Klimes, Fire Chief Steve Dalbey, Planning, Zoning and Building Safety Director Steve Boka, and City Engineer Jon Lutz.

The first item on the agenda was an economic development opportunity/TIF review for the H.J. Heinz Company. City Administrator Johnson introduced Tom Green, factory manager, who provided an overview on the history of this operation in Muscatine and who highlighted the request for a 15-year 50% TIF rebate program for the company to be considered for the installation and renovation of plant equipment. This is directly linked to 33 existing jobs and peripherally to 100 jobs at Heinz. It also would allow for a \$23 million investment over the next three years to be put into this facility. Mr. Green stated the process within the Heinz organization is a competitive one where they are looking at various sites that could do this job. Council concurred that Heinz has been a very good corporate citizen providing jobs and economic development opportunities in our community. It was the consensus of the Council to move forward on putting together the development agreement for the final TIF arrangement for the H.J. Heinz Company at 15 years at 50%. Mr. Green thanked City Council for its continued support of the H.J. Heinz operation in Muscatine.

The next item on the agenda was a TIF development agreement review. City Administrator Johnson stated TIF development agreements have been put together for Curry's and Newcomb Trucking. They outline the specific details and components of the new TIF agreements that had been verbally committed to by the city in 2008. Documents will be finalized with their respective attorneys. It was noted the Newcomb property located on Highway 61 was formerly a weigh station owned by the State of Iowa and therefore tax exempt. Establishing the base number has not yet been completed. Duane Goodwin, representing the Newcomb family, and City Administrator Johnson stated they would work on this prior to the formal agreement being adopted.

The graffiti ordinance review was withdrawn.

The next item on the agenda was a Fire Station #2 redevelopment review. City Administrator Johnson introduced Fire Chief Dalbey and provided background information concerning the relocation study and possible construction of a #2 station on the south end. Chief Dalbey provided an overview of funding that has been provided through state and possible federal agencies to assist in the reconstruction, remodeling or redevelopment of the #2 station. There are several questions yet to be answered, and the application deadline is July 8, 2009 for the federal grant. There has been \$200,000 allocated by the State of Iowa for this project which needs to be spent within the next three years. An additional \$40,000 had been previously allocated by the City Council to undertake a study that is no longer needed. The question Chief Dalbey posed to City Council was at what level they felt comfortable providing a match to the federal grant. He indicated the higher the local match the higher the likelihood of receiving the grant itself. It was also determined the Fire Chief should begin the process of developing an RFP for the selection of architectural firms to assist in the design process. City Council will then come to the determination prior to July 8, 2009 as to the level of participation they are comfortable in making. Questions concerning the matter will be directed to the Fire Chief.

The next item on the agenda was a Pearl City Station recovery review. Rich Klimes, Jon Lutz, and Nancy Lueck all provided information concerning recovery and redesign efforts for the Pearl City Station as a result of the 2008 flood. Information was provided to Council concerning items that are covered by FEMA for reimbursement to the city and other additional costs that are being recommended by staff at this time to enhance the appearance of the Pearl City Station. The engineer's estimate for the entire project is \$668,000. Over \$400,000 was earmarked for the bulkhead repair and replacement. Council discussed the matter very thoroughly concerning the options and the appropriateness of spending a significant amount of money on this project. Following the discussion, it was the consensus of Council to bring this issue back at the June 18, 2009 City Council meeting to establish a public hearing for the plans and specifications for the project.

Under comments, Councilmember Howard called upon citizens to be more careful with their disposal of grass clippings from their yard to the street. There were no other comments.

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
A.J. Johnson
City Administrator