



MINUTES

Coburg City Council

Regular Session

September 11, 2007 - 7:00 P.M.

Coburg City Hall

91069 North Willamette - Coburg

COUNCILORS PRESENT: Mayor Judy Volta; Jerry Behney, John Fox, Bill Judd, Brian Pech, John Thiel, Mike Watson

COUNCILORS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Don Schuessler, John Bosley, Sammy Egbert, Craig Gibons, Jack Harris, Karen Jefferis, Milo Mecham, Petra Schuetz

RECORDED BY: Dan Lindstrom

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Judy Volta called the meeting of the Coburg City Council to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes Recorder Dan Lindstrom called the roll, noted that no Councilors were absent, and stated that a quorum was present.

Mayor Volta invited those who were present to join a moment of silent remembrance of those who died in terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mayor Volta noted that a significant number of persons had signed-up to speak during the period of public testimony. She said all would be provided five minutes of time, but requested that comments be kept shorter, if possible. She explained that the Council would not respond to comments made, but that topics discussed could be included on the Agenda of the meeting and presenters were invited to remain for their consideration.

Craig Wanichek, 91320 Coburg Industrial Way, stated that he and Mike Blommé represented Monaco Coach Corporation, a longtime supporter of the Coburg School, local community activities, and nonprofit organizations. He said Monaco was concerned that the proposed tax on vehicle, recreation vehicle and manufactured home sales in Coburg would place a disproportionate burden of paying for City services on a few businesses. He said it would also put local operators at a disadvantage with competitors in other locations. He said Monaco was willing to pay its fair share, but that all citizens needed to bear the cost of development. He suggested that the proposed tax might be unconstitutional, needed to include a "sunset clause," and should be reconsidered.

Ron Olsen, no address provided, stated that he represented the Eugene Home Sales Center located in Coburg. He said Mr. Wanichuk had clearly expressed his opinions.

Shannon Hill, no address provided, stated that he represented Guaranty RV Center in Coburg and had the same concerns about the proposed tax as expressed earlier. He said he had met with the Mayor and City staff and had made the point that it would put the burden for development on a single sector of business and make Coburg operators less competitive. He said the proposal would be a factor to consider when Guaranty renewed its lease. He suggested that seeking approval for a bond measure to fund new municipal services would be a better way for all citizens to share in its cost.

Dave McAndrews, no address provided, said he represented the RV Corral located in Coburg. He said his firm did not support the proposed vehicle sales tax fee structure. He explained that local and national economic trends had significant impact on the recreation vehicle sales industry because its product was most often a luxury, not a necessity. He said his firm would also consider a local tax as it renewed its lease in Coburg.

J.P. McNutt, no address provided, said his concerns had been expressed by others.

Mike McNutt, no address provided, stated that he owned RV parks in Coburg. He said he believed paying for the new Coburg sewer system needed to be fair. He suggested that since the entire City would benefit from it, everyone should pay for it. He said he agreed that a sewer system was needed, but that payment for it should be shared. He suggested that imposing an unfair tax on vehicle sales in Coburg could cause it to lose its tax base. He said City taxes should be calculated on the size and value of property.

Jerry McCall, no address provided, stated that he represented the RV Corral located in Coburg. He said he did not believe it was fair to tax a few businesses to provide revenue for City services. He said it would create a "pay more in Coburg" situation and drive businesses away.

Steve Christoferson, no address provided, said he represented the RV Corral located in Coburg and that he supported what previous speakers had said.

Terry Muir, no address provided, stated that he represented Paradise RV located in Coburg. He said he believed the proposed vehicle sales tax should be revaluated because it had been developed with little thought about how it impacted the affected businesses. He said profit margins in recreation vehicle sales were very thin and that property development in the Coburg Hills area would be a "gold mine" to tap for tax revenue. He said he did not own property in Coburg and that it was unfair to tax his business.

Don Miner, 2255 State Street, Salem, stated that he represented the Oregon Manufactured Housing Association. He distributed copies of an undated memorandum, which contained data showing anticipated manufactured home business in Oregon from 1987 to date. He noted that August and the year to date in 2007 was 28 percent lower than the same periods in 2006. He noted also that the data showed that the number of manufactured home shipped to Oregon and produced in Oregon also were down from previous years. He observed that it was not a good time to levy a new tax on the manufactured home industry and that seeking to raise \$300,000 through the proposed tax was a hefty load for a small number of businesses. He said recently adopted increases in Coburg Service Development Charges would create double taxation for residents who bought manufactured homes.

Janet Nelson, 91701 North Skinner, stated that her home was situated next to a large tree in the City right-of-way that was obviously diseased and a safety hazard. She said the Tree Ordinance proposed by the Park/Tree Committee and considered by the Council at its August meeting unfairly proposed that the cost of maintenance and liability for damage caused by street trees belonged to adjacent homeowners. She said it created a situation that was "less than neighborly." She said she appreciated the proposal to be considered later in the meeting in which all property owners would pay a small monthly fee to support maintenance of the trees by the City and included assumption of liability for damage they might cause by the City.

Mayor Volta expressed appreciation for the citizen comments presented to the Council.

III. AGENDA CHANGES

City Administrator Don Schuessler requested that changes be made to the Agenda, as follows:

- Add PVE Waterline Contract to Finance Department Report
- Add additional Bills for Approval to Approval Agenda
- Clarify that Bas Tax and Business License does not have a written support memorandum
- Add discussion of City Recorder position to Comments from Council
- Add discussion of a fund-raising concert in park to Police Department Report

Mayor Volta determined that there were no objections to the requests and the Agenda was changed.

Mayor Volta stated that the RV/Manufactured Home Discussion scheduled to be part of her Comments would be held before the City Councilor Appointment.

IV. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

A. RV/Manufactured Home Discussion

Mr. Schuessler referred to Agenda support material entitled "Vehicle/RV/MH Sales Revenue." He reviewed information it contained about Council consideration of a proposed ordinance imposing a gross receipts tax on manufacturers and retail dealers of vehicles, recreation vehicles, and manufactured homes sold in Coburg. He described meetings held with representatives of affected businesses, feedback received, and follow-up planned.

Mr. Schuessler reviewed options for Council consideration regarding the proposed ordinance – its purpose, potential revenue, and analyses of simplicity and equity issues. He said he believed the future of Coburg was involved in the search for new revenue sources. He reviewed options for expenditure reductions and revenue enhancements available to the City. He recommended that the Council authorize staff to continue discussing the sales tax proposal with the affected businesses.

Mayor Volta said she had appreciated the opportunity to meet with representatives of the businesses that would be affected by the proposed tax. She said she had become convinced that the proposal would not be able to raise the needed \$300,000 annual revenue. She said the continued operation of the businesses in Coburg was essential to its future.

Councilor Mike Watson said he had also appreciated being able to participate in some of the discussions with business representatives. He suggested that the proposal was more of a fee than a tax and that he was glad its consideration now included alternative options to the imposition of a one percent tax on sales.

Councilor Bill Judd expressed appreciation to the business representatives who had met with City officials, made presentations at the meeting, and written letters of concern. He said business was essential to the well-being of the City. He explained that the efforts of the Council and others to “right the ship” of City finances were having success, but that additional revenue sources were needed. He said he hoped business operators would recognize the need for their support in the effort.

Councilor John Thiel noted that residential development in the Coburg Hills was outside the City and its Urban Growth Boundary and that the City received no property tax revenue from it.

Councilor Watson said he appreciated input provided by the business representatives at the meeting. He said the tax proposal was not a “done deed.” He described reductions made in the budgets of the Police Department and Municipal Court and other new revenue sources developed to achieve a balanced budget. He said the Council welcomed suggestions for further options from all concerned.

Councilor Brian Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Watson, to direct staff actively to pursue discussions with representatives of local businesses and others regarding the creation of new revenue sources for the City. The motion was adopted unanimously, 5:0, Councilor Behney having not yet been appointed.

Mayor Volta invited interested persons to leave business cards to facilitate their being contacted for discussions with staff.

B. City Councilor Appointment

Mayor Volta referred to Agenda support material regarding a vacancy on the City Council created by the resignation of Michelle Sunia. She noted that applications for appointment to the vacant position received from Chad Minter and Jerry Behney were attached. She invited the applicants to make themselves available for discussion with Councilors and explained that the person chosen would be appointed to fill the vacant position which expired December 31, 2008.

Mr. Behney and Mr. Minter responded to questions, described goals for the City, and provided information about personal background and experience.

Mayor Volta took a “straw vote” and determined that three Councilors favored appointing Mr. Behney and two favored appointing Mr. Minter.

Councilor Watson moved, seconded by Councilor Thiel, to appoint Jerry Behney to fill the vacant position on the City Council which expired December 31, 3008. The motion was adopted unanimously, 5:0.

City Attorney Milo Mecham administered the oath of office to Jerry Behney as a member of the City Council.

V. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Public Works

Public Works Supervisor Jack Harris referred to his September 6 memorandum regarding removal of downed trees from the Canterbury Slough. He noted that a September 5 memorandum from City Engineer Doug Weber was attached in which he reported that he had visited the Canterbury Slough, determined that an Oregon Division of State Lands permit was not required, and agreed that it would be possible for City personnel to remove trees impeding the flow in the channel of Canterbury Slough.

Councilor Judd moved, seconded by Councilor John Fox, to direct the Public Works Department to remove identified dead trees from the Canterbury Slough.

Councilor Watson said he was concerned that blackberry bushes were also impeding the flow in the channel. Mr. Harris said he would contact Lane County about their removal.

The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Mr. Harris distributed a September 11 memorandum regarding the failure of the pump at City Well #2. He reviewed actions taken for its replacement and noted pictures illustrating the work attached to the memorandum.

Mr. Schuessler stated that the failure had occurred at a critical high water use time and commended Public Works personnel for their work to replace the pump.

Mr. Schuessler referred to Agenda support material regarding Tree Ordinance A-207. He reviewed information it contained about Council referral of the proposed ordinance back to the Park/Tree Committee from where it had originated.

Mr. Schuessler also reviewed a proposal for a monthly fee that would be collected with water bills and used to cover the cost of maintenance of trees within street right-of-ways. He said it had been suggested that the fee could also be used to cover the cost of any increase in the City liability insurance policy premium that would result from its assumption of liability for damage caused by street trees.

Mr. Mecham pointed out that the proposed fee and City maintenance of street trees was a basic change from the Tree Ordinance proposed by the Park/Tree Committee. He said the increased cost of liability insurance could be significant and was not one assumed by most municipalities. He suggested that it would be important to document that the Council was not considering that the City should assume maintenance responsibility or liability for all trees within the City, just those within street right of ways.

Councilor Watson said he believed that if the City accepted responsibility for the maintenance of street trees, it also assumed liability for any problems they caused.

Councilor Fox said he did not want to eliminate the possibility for maintenance of street trees by adjacent homeowners. He suggested that guidelines for their care be prepared.

Councilor Thiel said he maintained an open mind to the proposed fee and City assumption of maintenance responsibilities for street trees. He suggested that such a policy should include provisions for negotiated mediation regarding tree care and/or removal.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Fox, to direct staff to work with the Park/Tree Committee to develop a proposal for the City to assume “reasonable responsibility” for trees within its street right of ways. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Mr. Harris referred to a proposal from Nelson Tree Services to remove a diseased and dangerous Big Leaf Maple street tree on North Harrison between Van Duyn and Macy Streets. He noted that the proposal offered to fell and remove the tree for \$1,900. He said the Park/Tree Committee had discussed the issue and recommended that the Council authorize accepting the proposal.

Mayor Volta asked why action was recommended on the particular tree identified.

Mr. Mecham replied that a claim for damages caused by the tree had already been paid. Mr. Harris added that it was one of four trees considered in need of action.

Councilor Judd said he believed it was appropriate for the Council to approve the recommendation because the tree had been identified as dangerous. Mr. Harris added that the adjacent property owner had asked several times that action be taken.

Councilor Watson asked if there were funds in the City Budget to cover the cost of the removal of the tree. Finance Director Craig Gibons replied that the Budget included \$2,000 for Urban Forestry in the Street Fund. He explained that all Contingency funds had been used by the recent failure of the City Hall septic system.

Councilor Thiel told of the experience of neighbors who had encountered a similar problem with a street tree and had paid for its removal on their own.

Councilor Jerry Behney suggested that seeking additional bids for the project might result in a lower expense.

In response to a question from Councilor Judd, Mr. Gibons explained that revenue generated by the newly enacted Coburg Fuel Tax would be placed in the Street Fund and could be made available for the care of street trees.

Councilor Fox moved, seconded by Councilor Pech, to authorize payment for the felling and removal of the Big Leaf Maple street tree located on North Harrison between Van Duyn and Macy Streets identified as dangerous at the lowest possible cost. The motion was adopted, 4:2, with Councilors Thiel and Watson voting no.

B. Planning

Planning Director Petra Schuetz referred to the Planning Department Report dated September 11 and requested consideration of the recommended Council Action, Zoning Code Amendment: Article X, Administration and Enforcement. She referred to Agenda support material regarding it. She noted that an updated version of the proposed amendment had been provided to Councilors.

Mayor Volta opened a Public Hearing on the proposed amendment. She reviewed the procedures and requirements for land use hearings. She determined that no Councilor had had *ex parte* contacts or conflict of interest regarding it.

Ms. Schuetz presented a Staff Report. She reviewed the background and purpose of the amendment. She explained that the Planning Commission had voted at its September 5 meeting not to make a recommendation regarding it until it had completed a review of its latest revisions at an October Meeting. She said Ordinance A-200-A enacting the amendment had not been distributed. She recommended that no action be taken.

Mayor Volta determined there was no one who wished to present testimony regarding the proposed Amendment and closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Thiel suggested that the Council not discuss the proposed Amendment until the Planning Commission provided its analysis and recommendation.

Councilor Watson referred to Section 4.3.115 of the proposed Amendment and said its treatment of Flag Lot infill development was an example of what had been raised as a concern by citizens in the past.

Councilor Fox moved, seconded by Councilor Pech, to postpone action on Zoning Code Amendment: Article X and Ordinance A-200-A until the October meeting. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Ms. Schuetz referred to Agenda support material regarding Ordinance A-213 implementing City zoning classifications for recently annexed properties.

Mayor Volta opened a Public Hearing on the proposed Ordinance and referred to her previous review of hearing procedures and requirements.

Ms. Schuetz noted that a replacement Staff Report and proposed Ordinance regarding the zoning had been distributed at the beginning of the meeting. She reviewed the City-initiated proposal to apply Coburg Comprehensive Plan zoning designations to property annexed in November 2004 and June 2007. She referred to legal descriptions, a proposed zoning map, and Final Order attached to the proposed Ordinance as Exhibits A, B, C, and D.

Ms. Schuetz referred to information about public notice of the Hearing included in the Staff Report. She reviewed its discussion of an issue raised about whether local zoning classification actions required that the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development be given a 45-day notice of the proposed action. She noted that a July 11, 2007, Land Use Board of Appeals ruling had determined that such notice was required. She said notice had been sent to the Department after the ruling,

but that it had not met the 45-day advance notice requirement. She explained that representatives of the Land Use Board of Appeals had indicated that the case law established in the ruling did not apply to the Coburg rezoning of new annexations.

Mayor Volta invited testimony regarding the proposed Ordinance.

Marilyn Milne, 616 East 16th Avenue, stated that she represented Serenity Lane, which was considering establishing a treatment center campus on a portion of recently annexed property that would be rezoned by proposed Ordinance A-213. She said the new zone was not an issue, but that her agency had received legal advice suggesting that not meeting the provision for a 45-day notice of the re-zoning to the Department of Land Conservation and Development could be used in opposition to development plans at a later time. She requested that action on the proposed Ordinance be postponed until the October meeting of the Council.

Mayor Volta determined that there were no other requests to testify regarding the proposed Ordinance.

Ms. Schuetz stated that her investigation had showed that the notification of the rezoning proposal made to the Department of Land Conservation and Development had been judged to be adequate.

In response to a question from Mayor Volta, Mr. Mecham explained that, if it were determined that proper notice for the rezoning had not been timely, the City would have to reconsider adoption of Ordinance A-213, creating the possibility of a 45-day delay in any action that required its enactment. He suggested that it might be prudent to “err on the part of caution.”

Mayor Volta closed the Public Hearing.

Councilor Fox asked what benefit would result from postponing action on adoption of the Ordinance. Mr. Mecham replied that it would increase the certainty that the action could not be challenged. He said he was unaware of any who were interested in challenging the zone changes. He also said it was not in the interest of Serenity Lane to challenge the action.

Ms. Schuetz stated that all public notification requirements established by Measure 56 had been met.

Councilor Judd moved, seconded by Councilor Fox, to postpone action on adoption of Ordinance A-213 until after the 45-day notification to the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development requirement had been met.

Mayor Volta said she favored adoption of the motion because it would eliminate the possibility of any “surprises” regarding the use of the annexed properties.

The motion was adopted, 4:3, with Mayor Volta voting to break a 3:3 tie of votes by the Council.

Ms. Schuetz referred to Agenda support material regarding the Planning Department 2007-08 Work Plan and a document dated September 11 that presented background information and a proposal for Planning staff to spend 20 hours investigating and

preparing a strategy for revitalizing and implementing a Coburg Historic Preservation Program. She reviewed the proposal.

Councilors discussed the proposal.

Councilor Thiel moved, seconded by Councilor Fox, that the Planning Director be authorized to carryout the proposed 20-hour investigation and preparation of a Historic Preservation Program within the limits of her established Work Plan. The motion was adopted, 5:1, with Councilor Judd voting no.

C. Police

Police Chief John Bosley reported that increases in Police liability coverage required at the time of the recent renewal of the City insurance policy had been removed by subsequent changes and improvements in department practices and operational practices.

Mr. Bosley reported that department efforts with State and County officials had led to creation of the likelihood that the City would receive a payment of \$18,000 as a result of a vehicle impounded by the Police in a narcotics trafficking arrest.

Mr. Bosley reported that contact with a firm that organizes fund raising events had led to the scheduling of an October 6 concert in Coburg Park that would benefit efforts to secure life saving equipment for Police cars.

D. City Administrator/Recorder

Mr. Schuessler referred to an e-mail report of Municipal Court actions during August. He reported that recently hired Court Clerk Myrria Jones had resigned to accept a similar position with the Junction City Municipal Court near to her home. He said she had filled a significant role in the reorganization of the Court and would be greatly missed. He said her last day would be September 14 and that several applications for the job had been received since its availability was posted.

Mr. Schuessler referred to Agenda support material regarding negotiations with a collection agency to assume recovery of outstanding Municipal Court fines. He said it had been determined that there was approximately \$1 million in past due fines from the last five years.

Mr. Schuessler reviewed a proffered contract with Professional Credit Service to use its services for collection of the unpaid fines. He explained that the contract provided that the agency would add collection and interest fees to the outstanding accounts, offering the possibility that the City could recoup as much as \$200-\$300,000 in fines that had not been paid to date.

Mr. Schuessler reviewed a policy being developed for collection of past due Municipal Court fines. He said the matter did not require Council action, but was submitted for its information and feedback.

Councilors discussed the use of a collection agency to recover unpaid Court fines.

Mayor Volta read a letter from the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Services agency that confirmed its commitment to provide a \$3 million loan and \$1 million grant to support the Coburg Wastewater Project.

Mr. Schuessler referred to Agenda support material regarding financing of the Wastewater Project. He reviewed information it contained about the grants and loans already committed totaling \$8,338,675 and the status of additional applications submitted totaling \$7,288,67.

Mr. Schuessler explained the conditions of the federal financing package and said the City was not obligated to accept it, but that not doing so would jeopardize future financing possibilities and the viability of the project. He noted that Resolution 2007-12, an agreement to establish bond counsel services, and an agreement to accept the proffered federal grant were included with the support material.

Councilors discussed the financing package. It was determined that slightly lower interest rate loans available from the State of Oregon would ultimately cost more because using them would eliminate the grant funds made available by the federal agency. It was noted that a number of additional approvals not related to financing needed to be secured before the “final green light” was given to move forward with the project.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Fox, to adopt Resolution 2007-12 authorizing and providing for the incurrence of indebtedness for the purpose of providing a portion of the cost of acquiring, constructing, enlarging improving and/or extending the Coburg sewer facility to serve the area lawfully within its jurisdiction. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Watson, to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the law firm of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Preston Gates for bond counsel services. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Judd, to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service to accept a grant of \$1 million to be used in the design and construction of the Coburg wastewater treatment system. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Mr. Schuessler referred to copies of amendments to Intergovernmental Agreements between Coburg and Lane Council of Governments for professional services related to design of the wastewater system and Urban Renewal Plan. He explained that they extended previously adopted agreements into the 2007-08 and did not represent any new expenditures or services. He said Council approval was not required.

Mr. Schuessler referred to a document entitled “Regional Information System (RIS) – Services Offered and Terms of This Agreement.” He explained that it was the official statement of services for which approval and budget had already been given.

Mr. Schuessler reported that he was increasingly functioning as a “figurehead” City Recorder and that City staff Sammy Egbert was capably assuming the responsibilities of the position. He said he had discussed with her the possibility that she would be officially promoted to be Recorder on January 1, 2008. He explained the training that she would be required to complete before her job description was changed.

Councilors discussed the change and appeared to agree readily that it would be appropriate. They heard a recommendation that full training would be important to protect the interests of both Ms. Egbert and the City.

E. Finance

Mr. Gibons Mr. Gibons referred to Agenda support material entitled “August 30, 2007, Financial Reports.” He reviewed information it contained about expenditures, revenue, and account balances.

Mr. Gibons referred to Agenda support material regarding the City Capitalization Policy, which included Resolution 2007-10. He reviewed information it contained and his recommendation to increase the threshold for capitalization of fixed assets from \$200 to \$5,000. He explained that doing so would enable better tracking and valuing of assets; and would eliminate unnecessary, time-consuming accounting activity.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Behney, to adopt Resolution 2007-10, A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COBURG ESTABLISHING A CAPITALIZATION POLICY FOR FIXED ASSETS AND REVOKING RESOLUTIONS 90-11 AND 88-05. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Mr. Gibons referred to Agenda support material regarding the application of an inflation factor to City System Development Charges. He explained that using the “construction cost inflation factor” was standard practice in developing such adjustments. He said no changes had been made since they were authorized in June 2006. He said the proposed change would be in force until January 2008, when another adjustment proposal would be presented. He agreed to prepare a proposed action that would include automatic changes that would not require annual Council approval.

Councilor Fox moved, seconded by Councilor Judd, to adopt Resolution 2007-11, A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF COBURG APPLYING A CONSTRUCTION COST INFLATION FACTOR TO EXISTING SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT CHARGES. The motion was adopted unanimously, 6:0.

Mr. Gibons reported on the statues of recently adopted new revenue sources. He said the Business License would go into effect January 1, that computer software for its monitoring had been ordered, and that staff training on it would begin in October. He said collection of the Gas Tax would begin October 1 and that the City would receive its first revenue from it in November.

Mr. Gibbons referred to Agenda support material regarding a change order to a contract with Professional Underground Services for unanticipated expenses in the Pioneer Valley Estates Pipeline Replacement project totaling \$8,828.53. He said it had been authorized under the emergency clause of the City's purchasing ordinance because not approving it would have jeopardized the entire project.

F. City Attorney

Mr. Mecham reported that he would present a number of contracts for completion of the City water system improvement project at the October Council meeting.

VI. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

Councilor Thiel reported that the first meeting of the Water Rates Citizen Advisory Committee had been held and that it had mostly included providing background information to members. He said a second meeting was scheduled for September 13.

VII. APPROVAL AGENDA

Mayor Volta noted that the Approval Agenda included acceptance of the Minutes of the August 14 Council meeting, approval of two lists of Bills to be Paid, and acceptance of the report of Bills Paid.

Councilor Pech moved, seconded by Councilor Watson, to approve the Approval Agenda. The motion was adopted unanimously, 5:0:2, with Councilors Behney and Judd not voting because they had not attended the August 14 Council meeting.

Mayor Volta noted the list of Council meetings and work sessions scheduled through January 2008 included on the Agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

ACCEPTANCE

Yes: _____

No: _____

Abstained: _____

Passed: _____ Rejected: _____

Signed this 9th day of October, 2007

Mike Watson, Council President

Attest:

Donald Schuessler, City Recorder