

City Council Work Session Minutes
Thursday, March 17, 2005, 6:00 p.m.
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel-Boone Building

Council members present: Mayor Hindman, Chris Janku, Bob Hutton, John John, and Jim Loveless.

Council members absent: Crayton and Ash.

Staff present:
City Manager Ray Beck
Carol Rhodes, Assistant to the City Manager
Bill Watkins, Assistant City Manager
Mike Hood, Parks/Rec Director
John Fleck, Senior Planner
John Glascock, Public Works Chief Engineer
Lowell Patterson, Public Works Director

Chuck Adamson, Columbia Daily Tribune, and another member of the press (name unknown) were present.

Trail/Sewer Easements report

Council discussed the issues related to acquiring trail easements with sewer easements as outlined in the December 1, 2004 staff report. Council discussed developing a policy and what might be included in that policy. Park/Rec staff will need to evaluate which creeks we are going to build trails along and Public Works and P/R will then plan work concurrently. Council discussed importance of “connectivity” and asked that it be looked into as we move forward. Staff will prepare a formal policy and bring back for Council review.

CATSO approved revisions to thoroughfare plan – City park impacts related to the CATSO realignment of Harvester Drive

- Next step – Refer revision to Planning and Zoning Commission for recommendation to City Council. Needed as soon as possible to work with MoDOT on 763 and with property owners/developers.

Bill Watkins and John Fleck reviewed the proposed amendments to the major thoroughfare plan. The Council reviewed and discussed the following maps: Scott Boulevard Extension; Fairview Road extension and reclassification to minor arterial; Parker Street extension and I-70 interchange (needs to be removed from the plan Parker/Oakland Park); Heriford Road: Burlington Avenue to Vandiver Drive; Burlington

Avenue: Heriford Road to Vandiver Drive; Clark Lane extension: from north of I-70 to Business Loop 70 East (Hutton - possibility of eliminating the offset/jog, College to 763 connection – may bring up at Council meeting for staff to review); MO 763 project area location; and, proposed amendments to the MRP. Council discussed the Harvester Road alignment and its impact on the park. Janku indicated that he favors alternative 3 – see memo in file: city park impacts related to the CATSO realignment of Harvester Drive.

Loveless requested that the maps be superimposed on aerial photos when the issue comes back to Council.

Mayor Hindman had a procedural question. Bill Watkins explained the procedure being followed. Public hearings have been held with CATSO; next step, Council determine Planning and Zoning Commission hold public hearings and come back with a recommendation; following that, Council will conduct public hearings.

Countdown Timers and Radar Speed Signs

Count Down Timers – proceed with installation at the following locations: Garth/Broadway, Williams and Broadway, 10th/Walnut, 9th/Walnut, 9th/Cherry, 9th/Locust, 9th/Elm, 8th/Walnut, Clinkscapes and Broadway, Columbia Mall and Worley.

Radar Speed Display Boards – proceed with installation as outlined in the March 4, 2005 memo.

Other – check with MoDOT on following locations: Broadway/Stadium and Broadway/Providence.

Transit Grant

Place on future Council agenda for formal Council action.

Other – (Janku) Rt. B shelter – check status of replacement. Mayor requested that bus schedules be placed at each of the bus stops. Patterson to follow-up.

Chapel Hill/Scott Boulevard report

Council discussed alternatives for bringing the project into budget. See reports in file. Staff to bring back revised cost estimates for Council agenda. Discuss project more with MoDOT.

Other Items the Council may wish to discuss

Enhancement Funds – staff bring list to Council April 18; then to MoDOT to complete for district-wide funding.

Possible Council retreat dates – May 20/21 or 1st weekend in June; Council to check calendars.

Special Meeting April 11 (Monday) swearing in/work session – Avenue of the Columns presentation.

Status report Planning/Development Director – screening committee meet next Monday
Plan to begin advertising for Public Works Director Friday, no later than Monday.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 p.m.