

Columbia City Council  
Pre-Council Meeting Minutes – December 17, 2007 – 5:45 p.m.  
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel Boone Building

Council members present: Mayor Hindman, Chris Janku, Karl Skala, Jerry Wade, Laura Nauser (arrived at 6:05 p.m.) and Barbara Hoppe

Absent: Almata Crayton

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Councilman Wade asked City Manager Bill Watkins to explain the concept behind the minutes of the “condo meeting.” The City Manager said that the Columbia/Boone County Health Department Condominium was formed several years ago as an ownership and management mechanism.

Councilman Wade distributed his proposal to develop a position paper on growth management planning. City Counselor Fred Boeckman advised that the document would be considered an open record that discussion should be in an open meeting.

Assistant City Manager Tony St. Romaine introduced representatives from Planning Design Studios for a brief update on a proposal to consistently landscape or treat major road entry ways into Columbia so that they are more welcoming and create a better, unified first impression. The consultants will prepare design options that reasonably allocate funds to four sites:

- The Rangeline Road roundabout;
- Highway 63 and Broadway;
- Providence and I-70; and
- Stadium and I-70.

Aaron Thompson, Ph.D., the consultant retained to help the Columbia Police Department update its internal affairs procedures, reported that, on paper, the department and the internal review committee had answered all the issues in the his report issued several months ago. James Gray, committee chair, said he was committed to participating for another year to assure that the new policies take root. Police Chief Randy Boehm said that everything would be in place by April 1, 2008.

With no further business, the City Council adjourned to the regular Council meeting.