

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
701 E. BROADWAY, COLUMBIA, MISSOURI
AUGUST 5, 2013**

INTRODUCTORY

The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri met for a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5, 2013, in the Council Chamber of the City of Columbia, Missouri. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, and the roll was taken with the following results: Council Members NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP and SKALA were present. Council Member THOMAS was absent. The City Manager, City Counselor, City Clerk and various Department Heads were also present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 15, 2013 were approved unanimously by voice vote on a motion by Mr. Skala and a second by Ms. Nauser.

APPROVAL AND ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA INCLUDING CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor McDavid noted B225-13 under the Introduction and First Reading section of the agenda would be replaced so the rates were correct, and B228-13 would be added to the Introduction and First Reading section of the agenda.

The agenda, to include the consent agenda, the replacement of B225-13 under Introduction and First Reading, and the addition of B228-13 to Introduction and First Reading, was approved unanimously by voice vote on a motion by Mr. Skala and a second by Ms. Hoppe.

SPECIAL ITEMS

None.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

None.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Loveless - Youth Training Program Funding Request.

Jim Loveless explained he was representing Job Point, which had offices at 2116 Nelwood, and was requesting special assistance from the Council. He commented that for fifty years, Job Point had been linking people, mostly those with disabilities and disadvantages, with jobs, and for the past several years, their focus had been on youth through programs like Youth Build, which featured local at-risk youth. Participating youth were taught the skills of profession in terms of home or road construction during the nine month program. They were on the job for 50 percent of the time receiving minimum wage, and for the other 50 percent of the time, they were in the class room learning the tools and techniques of the job, studying for the GED, participating in OSHA safety training and being trained on CPR and first aid. They also learned personal finance, computer skills, parenting skills, anger management, etc. He pointed out Youth Build was a transitional program as

students changed after completing the program and became involved and contributing citizens. In addition, they became mentors to others. For the first time in a decade, the reapplication to fund the Youth Build program was denied. He was uncertain as to why it was not funded and had requested an evaluation of their application. He asked the Council for financial assistance to help bridge the gap between the time current funding was expended and the time they could apply for new funding. He noted the cost of the Youth Build program was about \$17,000 per student, so he was proposing a more modest program entitled Youth Training to teach many of the same skills, and thought \$75,000 could fund a full class. He stated he would be grateful for any support the Council could provide.

Mr. Schmidt asked Mr. Loveless if he could e-mail the Council with background information on this request. Mr. Loveless replied he would be happy to provide that information.

Cheryl Price - Thank you for wheelchair ramp funding; crime in Columbia and causing disabilities.

Cheryl Price explained she was the President of the Board of Service for Independent Living and a member of the Disabilities Commission, and thanked Mayor McDavid for issuing a proclamation on the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act on July 26 and Mr. Trapp for presenting the proclamation at a reception held at Services for Independent Living. She also thanked the Council for their support for the Services for Independent Living ramp-building program as it allowed people to not have to be lifted out of their homes. She commented that she supported Job Point as they had done a lot for people with disabilities and the youth in the community, and hoped the Council could find a way to assist them with funding. She noted she and the Executive Director of Services for Independent Living had the opportunity to meet with City staff, and were excited for the new initiatives that would be implemented out as part of the transit system. She offered their assistance in promoting the initiatives and system. She pointed out she felt material in Braille would need to be provided for the transit system as there were many blind people without computer readers. She invited the Council to the Low Vision Open House on Wednesday at Services for Independent Living from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to view items they had that could assist the elderly and people with disabilities. She thanked the Council for forming a crime task force, and noted she had received several calls within the past few months from families of children that had sustained severe brain injuries due to crime. She explained her initial disability was a severe brain injury from a fall. She suggested the task force include someone with a disability or for interaction with the disabled community as crime led to disabilities in some instances, and all citizens needed to be represented in the discussion. She commented that she and her husband would personally support any tax to help law enforcement, even though they understood those with low incomes would have a difficult time with a property tax. She noted her husband, Joe Alder, had been trying to get a public safety council re-established in the City. It had been in existence at one time, but was disbanded when the State stopped funding the State Public Safety Council. She thought now was a perfect time to re-establish it to work with the task force on crime, as the task force was time-limited, but the public safety commission could remain in perpetuity. She commented that Scott Shelton, who had been in

law enforcement for over 37 years, had just returned to Columbia, and was interested in the establishment of a commission and could provide consultation for free.

Roger Dye - Need for road improvements and sidewalks on Clark Lane.

Roger Dye, 1600 Hanover Boulevard, stated he was speaking on behalf of Grass Roots Organizing (GRO) and the Clark Lane neighborhood, and noted he had risked his life walking down Clark Lane to get something to eat many times. If he were to fall, he would likely be killed due to the fast moving traffic. He explained he had seen other pedestrians and joggers along the road, and was concerned someone would be killed or badly injured. He understood drivers were even concerned about injuring someone. He noted they had a petition with about 600 signatures suggesting the Council construct a new Clark Lane Road with sidewalks on both sides this year, and asked those in attendance that supported this effort to stand. Approximately 25-30 people stood, and the petition was submitted to the City.

Diane Meeker - Concerns with compressed natural gas, hydraulic fracturing and fueling station site.

Diane Meeker, 2401 W. Broadway, Apt. #1120, provided a handout and noted she was speaking on behalf of People's Visioning as they were concerned about a change to a significant portion of the City fleet to compressed natural gas, which would contribute to a compressed natural gas fueling station that was estimated to cost \$1.5-\$2.8 million and involved contracted purchases. She understood this would ensure the business success of the station and create a public-private partnership with T. Boone Pickens' Clean Energy in an unstable and newly emerging industry with unconventional and riskier extraction methods for fuels that were creating serious health and environmental concerns. She asked the City to consider non-industry funded scientific data and studies as she believed decisions had been made on industry funded data and studies with a clear conflict of interest. She felt data used for public decision making needed to be reviewed by staff, the local government and the community, and wondered why neutral information had to be provided by the constituents. She commented that the industry claimed natural gas was the key to energy independence by the United States, but understood they wanted to export almost half of the daily production, leaving communities polluted while the gas industry profited. She noted the City Manager had mistakenly stated that less than one half of one percent of compressed natural gas presently came from fracking and three-tenths of one percent of natural gas wells showed evidence of failure or leaking as those figures were not accurate per newer, neutral non-industry science, which had been provided to Council previously. She pointed out that 70-80 percent of compressed natural gas was expected to come from fracking, which was scientifically linked to tainted water and earthquakes. She wondered if REDI or the City had approached Clean Energy and asked for the names of the other businesses that would partner with the City. They agreed with a comment of Ms. Nauser in that this should be done by private industry alone without any City funding. She commented that the purchase of sixteen compressed natural gas vehicles had been initiated despite public objection. They agreed with Mr. Thomas in his surprise that this decision would be made from a report as it did not allow for public comment regardless of the fact it had been allocated as part of the

previous budget. She asked the Council to take more time to review non-industry sources. She also asked those against the compressed natural gas initiative through fracking to stand, and approximately 20 people stood.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

B194-13 Calling a special election relating to the issuance of Sewer System Revenue Bonds for the purpose of constructing improvements to the City's sewerage system.

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Glascock provided a staff report.

Mayor McDavid asked how the City's sewer rates compared with those of similar communities. Mr. Glascock replied he thought they were in the middle. Even with the rate increase, it would be slightly lower than Springfield, Missouri and slightly above Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He thought it would be at about \$27 per month. Mayor McDavid understood the graph indicated they would be in the middle of the pack. Mr. Glascock stated that was correct.

Ms. Hoppe stated she thought new development paid the City back for sewer extensions and asked for clarification as the supplemental memo listed some sewer extension projects. Mr. Glascock explained it paid for some of the cost, but did not pay for all of the associated costs. He pointed out the City paid for 80-acre points. Anything above that acre point was paid for by the developer. Ms. Hoppe asked if more costs were reimbursed when a new development was connected to or tied into the sewer. Mr. Glascock replied some of the developed areas paid a special rate, but the policy did not require all developments to pay that special rate. Ms. Hoppe understood existing sewer customers were paying for new development in terms of sewer costs. Mr. Glascock stated they were paying for the 80-acre sewer extension.

Mr. Schmidt understood a good portion of the money from the bond issue would pay for inflow and infiltration problems, which would involve smaller projects throughout the City. He asked if staff knew how much of that money would be spent in Ward 1 and inter-city neighborhoods. Mr. Glascock listed the basins the City planned to study along with those that had already been studied.

Mr. Schmidt noted those with water and sewer in their basements had asked for this, and he did not believe \$3 per month was too much.

Mr. Schmidt asked if the City would be able to measure before and after inflow and infiltration due to the way the studies were conducted. Mr. Glascock replied some flow measurements had been conducted where sump pumps, downspouts, open inlets, etc. that needed to be corrected had been identified. Mr. Schmidt understood the City would have a way to measure the effectiveness of the money spent for this bond issue, and might be able to direct future sewer repairs more efficiently. Mr. Glascock stated the City was monitoring flow now, and that would continue as part of this effort.

Mayor McDavid opened the public hearing.

Don Stamper stated he was representing the Central Missouri Development Council with offices at 2604 N. Stadium Boulevard, and noted they appreciated the approach taken

by the City in creating this package. He noted Columbia had always been an environmental leader in terms of worrying about the surrounding area in addition to its own neighborhoods. Over the past 5-10 years, in cooperation with the Boone County Sewer District, the City had cleaned up hundreds of discharge points. This could not have been done without vision and planning. He urged the Council to adopt a comprehensive package and keep the \$4.4 million for 100-acre extensions. He felt if this was not done, discharge points would be created around the Columbia. He pointed out the contributions those new sewer customers made to the City on an ongoing basis had not been estimated as a part of this. He reiterated he felt the 80-acre, which was now a 100-acre sewer program, had worked as it had helped to address a number of environmental difficulties. He stated they supported the package as presented. If the package did not include funding for extension of 100-acre sewers, they would have a difficult time supporting it.

There being no further comment, Mayor McDavid closed the public hearing.

Ms. Hoppe commented that she felt this was a great need, but was concerned about paying for new development and wondered whether those costs should be reimbursed by new development. She did not believe this was the time to have that discussion, but thought the policy needed to be revisited.

Mr. Skala stated the Council would soon discuss the comprehensive plan and its implementation, and he believed that would be the appropriate time to review some of these issues.

Mr. Trapp pointed out the voters would ultimately decide if this was how they wanted to spend their money.

B194-13 was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: THOMAS. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

(A) Voluntary annexation of property located on the southeast corner of St. Charles Road and Demaret Drive (700 Demaret Drive).

Item A was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Teddy provided a staff report.

Mayor McDavid understood this would allow Battle High School to be contiguous. Mr. Teddy stated it would make the intervening property between Battle High School and Lake of the Woods contiguous, and there were annexation agreements with the associated property owners. Each of those tracts would be considered in the same fashion as petitions would be filed and the necessary hearings on permanent zoning would be held. Mayor McDavid understood this was necessary to bring Battle High School into the City. Mr. Teddy stated this particular annexation was a route to get there.

Mr. Trapp asked how this particular site was contiguous to the City. Mr. Teddy replied the east boundary of the subject site connected to the City's existing boundary.

Ms. Nauser understood this would be land-banked by the County. Mr. Teddy commented that he understood there was no plan to use the property and the County wanted to maintain it in a cleared state. There was a study of a round-a-bout that could be used as

an access point for a future roadway extension on the Major Roadway Plan. Mr. Skala understood that roundabout would involve this property. Mr. Teddy stated that was correct.

Mayor McDavid opened the public hearing.

William Gage Ryan, P.O. Box 39, Rocheport, Missouri, commented that it was interesting to hear the discussion involving runoff, point source pollution, land management, etc. as this provided the potential to manage the sewage problem. He noted he had a small landscaping business, which was a decentralized solution, and felt they needed to work together on the issue. He asked about the land management plan for new annexations. Mr. Teddy replied a Northeast Area Plan, which provided a general blueprint for future development of that area, had been developed several years ago. Mr. Ryan asked if mulch was used around the foundation. Mr. Teddy replied a proposal to build was not associated with this annexation. Mr. Ryan thought a plan for the foundation was needed before anything was built and wanted to know the specific land management plan or study for Demaret Drive. Mr. Teddy pointed out this was one address along Demaret Drive that would be maintained by Boone County, so he was not sure of the landscape plan, but imagined they would use turf grass. Mr. Ryan stated he thought that was the best solution in the long-term and liked the idea.

There being no further comment, Mayor McDavid closed the public hearing.

Mayor McDavid pointed out the City would soon be obligated to assume annexation of Battle High School as this was a step in that direction, and noted it represented cooperation between the City and the County.

Mr. Skala noted there was potential for increased traffic in the area and this was a necessary piece in terms of the infrastructure improvements that would be necessary in the area. He was also glad to see intergovernmental cooperation to solve a problem.

(B) Voluntary annexation of property located on the west side of Scott Boulevard, between Brushwood Lake Road and Bellview Drive (Jay Dix Station).

Item B was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Teddy provided a staff report.

Mayor McDavid opened the public hearing.

There being no comment, Mayor McDavid closed the public hearing.

R150-13 Approving the FY 2013 Annual Action Plan for CDBG and HOME funds; authorizing CDBG and HOME agreements with various community agencies.

The resolution was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Teddy provided a staff report.

Ms. Hoppe understood Job Point was receiving funding for certified nursing assistance and heavy highway construction through this program and Mr. Loveless had indicated they would not be receiving federal funding for their Youth Build program, and asked if the City was involved. Mr. Teddy replied this was one of the Youth Build activities, but Mr. Loveless was concerned about funding for the Youth Build program in general. The City also supported the efforts of Job Point through the CHDO program. He pointed out there was a cap of 15 percent of the total CDBG grant for public service activities, and any job training program would be subject to that grant limitation. Ms. Hoppe understood the City was

involved separately. Mr. Teddy stated they were involved in funding some of the associated activities. Mr. Trapp pointed out the Youth Build program was similar to heavy highway training, but that was open to all age groups. He thought the Youth Build program had lost funding to sequestration.

Mayor McDavid opened the public hearing.

Jim Loveless stated he was representing Job Point, which had offices at 2116 Nelwood, and explained the Youth Build program was a \$1.6 million grant that spanned three years and provided a great deal of the infrastructure support for other youth training programs it offered, including highway heavy construction. Many of the programs that tagged onto the Youth Build program were in jeopardy without funding for instructors, places and equipment. He pointed out this was separate from his earlier appeal to the Council.

Mr. Skala asked if that funding was a casualty of sequestration. Mr. Loveless replied he understood only one-third of the 150 youth build programs nationwide had been funded during this latest application process. The information they had received was that it was due to cuts to the Department of Labor.

There being no further comment, Mayor McDavid closed the public hearing.

The vote on R150-13 was recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: THOMAS. Resolution declared adopted, reading as follows:

OLD BUSINESS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following bills were given second reading and the resolutions were read by the Clerk.

- B192-13 Vacating a waterline easement located on the southeast corner of North Cedar Lake Drive and Commercial Drive (100 East North Cedar Lake Drive).
- B193-13 Vacating an access easement located on the southeast corner of Forum Boulevard and Forum Katy Parkway.
- B195-13 Authorizing construction of the Douglass High School sewer relocation project; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.
- B196-13 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to prohibit parking on a portion of the south side of Lansing Avenue, between Portland Street and Dene Drive.
- B197-13 Authorizing a right of use permit with 1101 East Walnut, LLC to allow construction, improvement, operation and maintenance of balconies and awnings to extend within a portion of the Orr Street and Walnut Street rights-of-way.
- B198-13 Authorizing acquisition of easements for construction of the Rustic Road bridge replacement project.
- B199-13 Appropriating funds to the Street Division FY 2013 operating budget to offset expenditures for snow removal.

- B200-13 Accepting conveyances for sidewalk, temporary construction and sewer purposes.
- R137-13 Setting a public hearing: construction of a bicycle boulevard from the Wabash Station to the Hominy Trail.
- R138-13 Setting a public hearing: construction of the Grindstone Creek Trail Phase I project between the Grindstone Nature Area and Maguire Boulevard.
- R139-13 Setting a public hearing: voluntary annexation of property located on the south side of Route K, approximately 2,000 feet south of the intersection of Providence Road, Route K and Old Plank Road.
- R140-13 Setting a public hearing: consider the purchase of property located at 9 Pendleton Street using Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds for land bank acquisition.
- R141-13 Setting a public hearing: setting property tax rates for 2013 for the City of Columbia.
- R142-13 Setting a public hearing: FY 2014 Annual Budget for the City of Columbia.
- R143-13 Authorizing various Adopt a Spot agreements.
- R144-13 Authorizing Amendment No. 3 to the program services contract with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Services.
- R145-13 Authorizing an artist's commission agreement with Ben Chlapek relating to the Traffic Box Art Program.
- R146-13 Authorizing Amendment No. 2 to the agreement with Brenda J. Ravenscraft, d/b/a Skyline Café, for operation of a restaurant at Columbia Regional Airport.
- R147-13 Authorizing an agreement with Memorial Day Weekend - Salute To Veterans Corporation for an air show at Columbia Regional Airport to be held on Memorial Day weekend.

The bills were given third reading and the resolutions were read with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: THOMAS. Bills declared enacted and resolutions declared adopted, reading as follows:

NEW BUSINESS

- R148-13 Authorizing agreements with Westar Energy, Inc. for the purchase and receipt of annual and seasonal nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions allowances to comply with federal emission regulations.

The resolution was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Johnsen provided a staff report.

Mr. Trapp asked if the City was working to eliminate these emissions in the long term. Mr. Johnsen replied that was being evaluated as part of the studies involving the Power Plant. He noted these were cap and trade programs, so every year these were traded through markets. In some years the City sold, and in others years, the City was the buyer.

Mr. Schmidt asked for the percent of emissions the City was meeting through its requirements and the percent the City was purchasing through cap and trade. Mr. Johnsen

replied they were long on the SO₂ and short on the NO_x. In years past, the City had been able to negotiate trades, but this year the emission markets were low in terms of dollar value, so the City was not selling any SO₂ allowances. They were only buying NO_x allowances. Mr. Schmidt asked if the mix and amount of coal involved affected this. Mr. Johnsen replied the allowances were allocated based upon historic usages, which meant peaking units had to purchase and base load units could sell, and the City operated peaking units for the most part, so they usually purchased NO_x and sold SO₂. This year, they were only buying the NO_x.

Mayor McDavid asked if the cost of the credits was \$13,000. Mr. Johnsen replied yes, and explained there were annual and seasonal categories. The seasonal was the summer months and the annual was year long, so they had to purchase some in both categories.

The vote on R148-13 was recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: THOMAS. Resolution declared adopted, reading as follows:

R149-13 Establishing a task force on community violence.

The resolution was read by the Clerk.

Mayor McDavid explained the community had been discussing youth violence for some time, and he was pleased that Mr. Trapp and Ms. Nauser, who were engaged in this issue, had volunteered to co-moderate this task force to review the causes of youth violence so they could identify prevention and intervention methods and re-entry programs.

Ms. Nauser stated she welcomed the opportunity to serve as co-chair on this task force as this was something she had been interested in since 2008 after there had been a spike in crime in the community in 2007. She looked forward to working with Mr. Trapp and the members that would be appointed by Mayor McDavid to come up with long term solutions for the community. She thought some of the short term issues would be addressed through current enforcement methods.

Mr. Trapp noted this problem needed a long term solution and stated Mayor McDavid had addressed some short term solutions during his press conference earlier in the day. He liked the fact they were able to take both approaches. This would allow them to look at what was being done, what they were doing well, what they needed more of and what they could do differently. He stated he looked forward to working with Ms. Nauser and the task force members in making Columbia a safer place.

Mayor McDavid commented that if the Council adopted this resolution, he would announce the thirteen members of the task force during the Council Comment section of tonight's agenda.

Mary Ratliffe, 211 Park de Ville, stated she was happy to hear the Council was discussing the establishment of a task force. She noted discussion had indicated this was a youth task force, but pointed out the violence that had erupted recently in Columbia did not necessarily involve youth. Many had involved adults. She suggested the task force look into violence in Columbia as a whole, and not just youth violence, and that the title of the task force reflect that as well.

John Clark, 403 N. Ninth, thanked Mayor McDavid for the initiative he put forward this morning to fund public safety in Columbia through a potential increase in property taxes. If this had been done around 1999-2000 when there was support for community policing, they would likely be in a different situation. By addressing the issue separately, he did not believe it would become a key focus of the work of the task force, and felt this, in some ways, was the most important pillar to support great work from the task force.

Eugene Elkin, 3406 Rangeline, commented that he was opposed to the property tax increase and noted there were other sources of funding that could be utilized. He understood those involved in recent violent activities were not locals. He thought it was time for Columbia to wake up as it was not a perception issue.

Natalie Hampton, 20 Anderson Avenue, stated she was encouraged to hear the Council discuss re-entry as part of the task force, and commented that felons faced incredible odds in finding jobs when becoming part of the community again. She noted unemployment was a big contributor to violence in the community, and thanked the Council.

Monta Welch, 2808 Greenbriar Drive, commented that the People's Visioning looked forward to working with the task force to find ways to solve community problems. She noted the neighborhood topic group of People's Visioning had discussed a "gangs to gardens" initiative similar to what had been done in California. They also had a plan for the homeless that would likely work with re-entry issues to support people in the community, so violence was not the route chosen. She suggested looking at other ways to fund the effort than had been mentioned previously, and thought a name change might be good so the task force was not focused on only the youth.

Ms. Hoppe stated she thought the name was just task force on community violence, so it already focused on the community as a whole.

Mr. Skala noted the goals were more important than the process, but in terms of process, he thought it was unusual for council members to be co-chairs of a citizen advisory group, even though it had occurred in the past. There had even been committees that had staff as a chair or co-chair. Although he believed this group needed the kind of leadership Ms. Nauser and Mr. Trapp would provide, he thought they needed to understand it was unusual, but the goal likely outweighed the process issue. Mayor McDavid stated he agreed, and noted he preferred recognizing them as co-moderators. He thought of them as outside moderators for the thirteen member task force.

Mr. Skala understood a comment had been made indicating they needed to deal with reality instead of perception, and he believed the perceptions were real based on his perspective as a psychologist. Dealing with perception and reality was essentially the same in terms of the issue of violence, and the City needed to address both.

Ms. Hoppe commented that although there were thirteen members on the task force, a lot of organizations and individuals in the community had valuable information and would have the opportunity to provide information to the task force, so it would really be a community effort.

The vote on R149-13 was recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, MCDAVID, SCHMIDT, TRAPP, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: THOMAS.
Resolution declared adopted, reading as follows:

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

The following bills were introduced by the Mayor unless otherwise indicated, and all were given first reading.

- B201-13 Voluntary annexation of property located on the southeast corner of St. Charles Road and Demaret Drive (700 Demaret Drive); establishing permanent R-1 zoning.
- B202-13 Voluntary annexation of property located on the west side of Scott Boulevard, between Brushwood Lake Road and Bellview Drive; establishing permanent A-1 zoning (Jay Dix Station).
- B203-13 Changing the uses allowed on PUD-30 zoned property located on the northeast corner of Garth Avenue and Sexton Road; approving a revised statement of intent; approving the PUD Site Plan for Kinney Point; allowing a reduction in the required perimeter setback; setting forth a condition for approval.
- B204-13 Rezoning property located on the north side of the terminus of East Lathrop Road (7 East Lathrop Road) from District R-3 to District R-1.
- B205-13 Approving the Columbia College Master Plan Update.
- B206-13 Establishing Columbia, Missouri Sanitary Sewer District No. 170 along Poplar Hill Drive.
- B207-13 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to prohibit parking on a portion of Blue Ridge Road.
- B208-13 Accepting Jenne Lane and a section of Old Route TT for ownership and maintenance from the Missouri Department of Transportation; authorizing road relinquishment agreements with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission.
- B209-13 Authorizing a right of use permit with Bluebird Network, LLC for the installation of fiber optic telecommunications cable within the City rights-of way.
- B210-13 Authorizing a right of use permit with LAST Enterprises LLC for construction, improvement, operation and maintenance of an egress ramp with handrail in a portion of the South Eighth Street (105 South Eighth Street) right-of-way.
- B211-13 Authorizing a financial assistance agreement with the Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District for a food waste collection vehicle to be used to collect organic food waste from commercial customers for composting; appropriating funds.
- B212-13 Appropriating non-motorized transportation funds for the sidewalk/pedway project along the north side of Stadium Boulevard from Providence Road to College Avenue.
- B213-13 Appropriating funds for electric capital projects.
- B214-13 Accepting conveyances for utility services.
- B215-13 Authorizing construction of the Grindstone Creek Trail Phase I project between the Grindstone Nature Area and Maguire Boulevard; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.

- B216-13 Amending Ordinance No. 18197 to remove the Grindstone Nature Area and Twin Lakes from the archery deer hunting program.
- B217-13 Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department's Career Awareness Related Experience (CARE) Youth Employment Program.
- B218-13 Authorizing a cooperative agreement with Boone County Family Resources for additional funding for the Parks and Recreation Department's Adapted Community Recreation Program.
- B219-13 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code as it relates to automated traffic control systems.
- B220-13 Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code relating to conflicts of interest and financial disclosure procedures.
- B221-13 Setting property tax rates for 2013.
- B222-13 Adopting the FY 2014 Annual Budget for the City of Columbia.
- B223-13 Amending Chapters 4, 13 and 28 of the City Code relating to license and permit fees.
- B224-13 Amending Chapter 11 of the City Code relating to Public Health and Human Services Department fees.
- B225-13 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code relating to parking fees for unmetered off-street facilities and parking meter rates in the campus area.
- B226-13 Amending Chapter 17 of the City Code relating to Parks and Recreation fees.
- B227-13 Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code relating to water rates.
- B228-13 Calling a special election relating to an increase in the general property tax rate for the purpose of funding police services, personnel and associated equipment and other related expenses provided by the City of Columbia Police Department.

REPORTS AND PETITIONS

REP112-13 Street Closure Requests.

Mr. Trapp made a motion to approve the street closure requests, the waiver of the open container law, and the sale of alcohol during the Taste of Local Missouri Food Festival contingent upon proof of liability insurance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hoppe and approved unanimously by voice vote.

REP113-13 North Village Residential Parking Permit Program Pilot Project Follow-Up.

Mr. Glascock provided a staff report.

Mr. Skala commented that Mr. Matthes had indicated they would try to get East Campus and Benton Stephens constituents together to discuss this further as a lot of people were anticipating an issue in August. He understood there were time limitation, but thought some things could be done.

Mr. Glascock asked if Mr. Skala envisioned the same program in Benton Stephens as had been used in North Village. Mr. Skala replied he thought it was a similar situation since a

lot of the problems were caused by overflow from student housing. Mr. Glascock commented that if the same program was utilized it would be easier to implement. He understood East Campus wanted some changes to the program. He pointed out another issue was enforcement as it was needed for this to work. Mr. Skala thought a lot of people would be open-minded in order to have something in place by the time the students returned.

Mr. Matthes explained three people were dedicated to 90-plus projects that were ahead of these projects. East Campus was significantly different as it was larger and had other issues. Benton Stephens might be able to be addressed through some immediate actions. He recommended a split approach at this time knowing they would review a more complete solution later after East Campus had been addressed. He understood there was another neighborhood asking for assistance as well. Mr. Glascock thought many more neighborhoods would want to participate once it was shown to work, and pointed out it would affect parking enforcement as there was a larger area to monitor.

Mr. Skala found it interesting that the Police Department was involved in some enforcement issues while the parking utility handled other enforcement issues. He understood it had to do with private property.

Ms. Hoppe asked if staff had sufficient direction or if a motion was necessary. Mr. Glascock understood Council wanted staff to bring back an ordinance to allow for visitor passes in the North Village area. Ms. Hoppe stated that was correct. Mr. Glascock commented that they would also work with East Campus and Benton Stephens to try to get programs going in those neighborhoods.

REP114-13 Possible Amendments to Chapter 13 (Licensing and Business Regulation), Chapter 16 (Offenses) and Chapter 22 (Public Works - Rental Conservation Law) of the City Code.

Ms. Thompson provided a staff report.

Mayor McDavid commented that the City had really only wanted to ensure students understood up to three people could live in a R-1 zoned home because citizens living in residential neighborhoods did not want a neighbor renting their home to six college students due to the impact on those neighborhoods. He noted he was not certain he understood all of the arguments, but had been told the apartment owners did not want to be involved in this at all and the realtors were concerned about ethics violations because they represented the seller and were not supposed to be in direct contact with the buyer in terms of disclosure. He did not believe the proposed amendment had satisfied them.

Ms. Thompson stated she understood real estate agents were required to provide disclosure forms/notices in connection with real estate transactions by their licensing entities. It was a matter of what was required within the forms, and the City had imposed an additional requirement. The changes proposed would ensure it was not the agent or broker responsibility to provide the information. They would only be required to ensure the form was a part of the disclosures made by the seller to the buyer. As a result, it was not a direct responsibility of the agent or broker to research and provide the information. If the seller chose not to fill out the form or filled it out incorrectly, it was still the responsibility of the seller. The seller's agent was responsible for providing the form, but was not responsible for the content within the form.

Mayor McDavid asked for staff to meet with representatives of the real estate profession to address the difference of opinion because they felt it violated their code of ethics. Ms. Nauser wondered why they were not asked to participate previously as that had been requested by Council.

Mayor McDavid noted another approach that could be taken to allow for public discussion was to bring forward a motion to rescind the previous action of Council. He stated they could vote against the ordinance to rescind, but it would allow members of the real estate profession and apartment owners an opportunity to address the Council publicly. He asked that an ordinance to rescind the previous action of Council be brought forward. Ms. Nauser supported bringing forward an ordinance to rescind their previous action.

Ms. Hoppe understood Mayor McDavid would prefer an ordinance to rescind versus an ordinance to amend. Mayor McDavid stated that was correct. He thought this would create the interaction needed with the parties that were dissatisfied. Mr. Schmidt stated he was not sure it would because he thought the realtors wanted it to be rescinded, and once it was rescinded they would be done, so it would not address the problems that had caused the need for something to be done in the first place. Mayor McDavid commented that he was not sure the ordinance to rescind would pass, but it would allow them to state their position publicly.

Ms. Hoppe stated she thought they should consider an amendment, and if the ordinance was amended, the real estate profession could then challenge that ordinance. Mayor McDavid understood the amendments did not satisfy them. Ms. Hoppe noted public discussion would be allowed then and the Council could decide not to amend it.

Ms. Hoppe understood Mayor McDavid had first suggested the City Counselor meet with the Board of Realtors to explain the situation further. Mayor McDavid thought that could still be done, but understood many people were unhappy as there were a lot of landlords in Columbia. As a result, he thought they needed to provide an opportunity for them to state their case.

Ms. Thompson explained this report provided the Council the opportunity to address some of the concerns that had been raised by the Columbia Board of Realtors at a public meeting. Mayor McDavid noted he had met with members of the realty profession today, and they felt the process lacked proper engagement and did not believe this went far enough. In addition, the apartment owners were another group that would likely not be happy with anything.

Mr. Trapp understood there were also potential issues with the definition of family and asked if it was discriminatory against LGBT. Ms. Thompson replied the definition of family under the zoning code was separate from this. Mr. Trapp understood there was nothing in either of these ordinance that defined family in any discriminatory fashion. Ms. Thompson stated she would review it and get back to Council.

Mr. Skala agreed there would likely be a benefit to more interaction with the interested groups, but noted he was convinced staff had provided a solution to the problem with the suggested amendments. He explained he had initially received about 160 e-mails with concerns, but had only received 4-5 e-mails this time. He pointed out the few e-mails he had received had been very thoughtful so he felt it might be beneficial to meet with them for a

solution. He suggested tabling this issue to the next Council Meeting to allow everyone to get together prior to deciding how to move forward.

Ms. Nauser understood one of the concerns was the contradiction between the City's ordinance requirements and Missouri statutes, and noted she had hoped this report would have addressed that issue. In an e-mail she had received, the realtors were still claiming it was a violation of Missouri statutes.

Ms. Nauser understood the City was placing the onus on the property owner to notify the buyer and wondered who would be monitoring all of the real estate transactions in the community to ensure there was proper notice and what the recourse would be if notice was not provided. She also wondered about fines and what would happen to individuals that failed to comply. She believed a few landlords were creating the majority of the problems in the community.

Mayor McDavid reiterated he believed they should move forward with an ordinance to rescind so it was introduced at the next Council Meeting as it would allow them a month to listen to the grievances of the real estate profession, and if the City was not able to satisfy their grievances, he thought they had the right to state their case publicly. If the grievances could be satisfied, they could vote against the rescission and make an amendment. Ms. Thompson understood he wanted an ordinance to rescind the ordinance that had been passed by Council at the January 7, 2013 Council Meeting. Mayor McDavid stated that was correct.

Ms. Hoppe stated she wanted the opportunity to consider an amendment as well. Mayor McDavid thought that could be a parallel action. Ms. Hoppe agreed and noted the public needed notice of the amendment as well. Mr. Schmidt understood they could vote on the motion to rescind, and if it failed, they could proceed with amendments. Ms. Thompson understood, procedurally, they were asking for an ordinance to be brought forward to rescind the previous ordinance. Mayor McDavid stated two of them were requesting that. Ms. Hoppe asked if an ordinance to amend could be brought forward at the same time. Mayor McDavid replied he thought an ordinance to rescind should be brought forward, but in the meantime, staff should work with the interested parties to find out what amendments would satisfy their grievances.

Ms. Thompson suggested this report be put on the agenda for the next Council Meeting for further direction if Council wanted to continue to talk to the real estate profession about what would be proposed. Mayor McDavid stated he thought they should move forward and start the clock with an ordinance to rescind. Ms. Nauser agreed as they were getting into the rental season. Mayor McDavid felt they likely needed to start over if this could not be adjudicated in a month. Mr. Schmidt thought the clock could be started without the ordinance to rescind. Mr. Trapp thought there would be litigation if they did not bring the possibility of rescinding their previous action to a vote, so he was supportive of buying time to negotiate. Ms. Hoppe commented that because this was the beginning of a new semester, this draft ordinance or something similar was needed. She pointed out a large group of citizens throughout Columbia had been in favor of the initial ordinance. As a result, she was in favor of amending the ordinance, but was not in favor of rescinding it. She thought the amendments proposed in the report were positive and noted she was willing to consider other

appropriate amendments. Mr. Skala asked if the appropriate time to consider the amendments was when they were considering the rescission of the January action. Mayor McDavid stated they could vote against the rescission ordinance if a satisfactory compromise could be made, and they could vote to amend it instead. Ms. Hoppe agreed, but thought the general public should be made aware of those amendments in advance. Ms. Nausser thought it could be attached to the rescission ordinance. Mr. Trapp thought it could be brought back as a report on the night they voted on the rescission as well.

Mr. Matthes understood staff would take a month and meet with the Board of Realtors to see if they could come up with amendments to satisfy their concerns, so staff would bring back legislation that either made amendments or rescinded the ordinance in a month.

REP115-13 Water and Light Advisory Board Recommendation for Modifications to the FY14 Budget.

Mr. Johnsen provided a staff report.

Ms. Hoppe commented that the report did not mention the \$2 million could be an investment in a revolving loan fund so there was a possibility it could be \$2 million that would come back to the utility. She noted she planned on requesting an amendment to the FY14 budget for this purpose.

Mayor McDavid understood this would support solar installation, and asked if that was a cost of renewable energy that would be applied to the three percent cap. Mr. Johnsen replied he thought the answer would be yes, if it was applied to photovoltaic energy, but he was not sure of the details at this time. He explained the motion of the Board was broad and was for energy efficiency and renewable energy, and they had not discussed the associated accounts or how it would be administered.

Mr. Schmidt asked if there would be a possibility of not counting the \$2 million as costs against the renewable energy for purposes of the renewable energy mandate. Mr. Johnsen replied yes if it was applied to energy efficiency programs, but it would have renewable energy impacts if applied directly to renewable energy projects.

Ms. Hoppe noted the report did not include the specific recommendation from the Board, and as a result, she wanted a work session to be held with the Water and Light Advisory Board on this issue.

Mr. Skala understood there was a difference between renewables and fossil fuels in terms of capacity and costs, and asked for clarification. Mr. Johnsen thought the Board wanted to allocate more money to be more aggressive on energy efficiency programs, and if there were avenues to use this for renewable energy, they would also like to focus on that. He noted he was not provided direction on how it would be administered or its impact on the budget.

Ms. Hoppe reiterated she wanted a work session with the Board within the next month. Mr. Matthes explained a work session had been scheduled for Saturday, August 24 with regard to the budget, and it would likely be possible to invite the Board to that work session. Mr. Johnsen stated he would tell the Board to be prepared to make a presentation to Council on August 24.

REP116-13 Water and Light Advisory Board Recommendation for Modifications to the Renewable Energy Ordinance.

Mayor McDavid understood the challenge for staff was how to increase the renewable energy mandate while staying within the three percent cap. He wondered what would happen if a mandate that could not be met was created. Ms. Hoppe explained the mandate only applied if they could stay under the three percent cap, and if they were not able to stay under the cap, they would not reach the percentage. Mr. Johnsen stated staff interpreted it to mean they had to abide by the three percent rate, if the goals could not be met simultaneously. Mayor McDavid asked where the City stood now. Mr. Johnsen replied they were about half way there.

Mr. Johnsen pointed out they had tried to harvest the low hanging fruit in renewable resources, and had put in the report to the Board how much the resource needed to cost in order to move forward. He thought they could achieve the upcoming goal, but was not certain they could stay under the three percent rate impact if that goal was increased. Ms. Hoppe understood they were looking at a long term period, and technology and costs were changing quickly. Mr. Johnsen agreed there were a lot of variables in calculating the rate, and they did not know how or when those variables would affect the costs.

Mayor McDavid asked about Free Power. Mr. Johnsen replied Free Power was still struggling. Mayor McDavid asked if the City had any capacity from them yet. Mr. Johnsen replied they had a little bit. He thought it was under one megawatt. He clarified it was considered an energy resource as photovoltaics did not qualify as a capacity resource. He pointed out the just received responses from a renewable energy RFP last week, so they were looking at adding to their portfolio depending upon the results.

Mayor McDavid noted he had previously made a comment that he thought the City's charges for 1500 kilowatt hours were nine percent more than Boone Electric based upon second hand information, and asked if that was true. He asked if the average home owner was paying nine percent more for 1500 kilowatt hours. Mr. Johnsen replied he thought the cost was higher for a home owner in the City, and explained the reason was because the rate structures were different. The Boone Electric rate structure was a declining rate structure while the City's was the opposite to incentivize conservation. The City started out cheaper for the lower megawatt hours, but the rate became more expensive during the higher usage hours. Mayor McDavid understood, but felt the average rate payer should know they were paying nine percent more with the City than they would with Boone Electric.

REP117-13 Downtown Columbia Leadership Council Recommendation for Amendments to C-2 Zoning.

Mayor McDavid commented that it would be interesting to see the response of the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Downtown Community Improvement District (CID) and neighborhood associations. The City could demand a parking space for each bed, but a building could then be demolished for an asphalt parking lot. There could also be no requirement for parking, which could result in the purchase of bus passes. He thought both sides could be argued.

Mr. Skala understood the potential to change C-2 zoning made some people very nervous, and as a result, there had been discussion about an overlay for high density residential in the downtown due to the impacts of parking, stormwater, sewage, etc. He thought they might want to implement some of these items during the review of the zoning codes, but felt something else was needed in the short term. He noted he was intrigued by the idea of an overlay and was interested in hearing the thoughts of the various commission and impacted parties.

Ms. Hoppe asked if they were expecting other recommendations. Mr. Schmidt replied they had already received a few, to include the Downtown CID. Ms. Hoppe thought this was a follow up to the previous recommendations of the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council. Mr. Skala asked if staff could compile the various recommendations to review whether any action would be necessary in the short term. Ms. Hoppe thought they had requested some action be taken in the short term.

Mr. Trapp stated he was intrigued by the idea of requiring loading and drop-off areas because traffic issues were caused by people blocking the road, but he was not sure they should require parking as he did not believe it was the best use of downtown land. He also thought they should encourage walkability.

REP118-13 Downtown Columbia Leadership Council Correspondence regarding Trips to Lawrence, Kansas and Springfield, Missouri to Identify Successful Strategies for Downtown Columbia.

Mayor McDavid commented that when he traveled to other college towns, he tended to look at the skyline, the areas of the community the students resided and trails, as those were of interest to him. He understood each of them had an image of how the downtown should look in the areas next to colleges, and they were likely different.

REP119-13 Memo from the Substance Abuse Advisory Commission regarding the FY14 Budget.

Mr. Trapp stated he was supportive of this in general and thought the City should have an officer dedicated to alcohol prevention and enforcement if they were able to add significantly more police officers, but if they were only able to add a few officers, he did not want to require this as he wanted to allow the Police Chief to have the ability to place resources where he felt was necessary to protect the City. He agreed this was an important issue, and noted the longer the delay in the first drink, the more impact they would have on substance abuse behaviors, and understood compliance checks were effective.

Ms. Nauser understood downtown issues impacted violence crime and the State enforcement of alcohol laws was non-existent. As a result, this responsibility had now fallen to local communities. She agreed this was important and something they needed to consider for the future.

Ms. Hoppe wondered if other university towns had assistance from university police officers for this type of enforcement. Ms. Browning stated staff could check and report back.

REP120-13 Environment and Energy Commission Recommendation regarding Building Codes.

REP121-13 Summary of Activities of the Environment and Energy Commission.

Mayor McDavid understood there were three areas of disagreement between the Building Construction Codes Commission (BCCC) and the Environment and Energy Commission (EEC), and they both had different models in terms of the cost and payback time. He asked what the next step was in terms of the building codes. Ms. Hoppe replied she thought it was going to be brought forward in September. Mr. Matthes agreed it would come before Council soon, and noted he believed the EEC had provided this for clarification purposes.

Lawrence Lile stated he was Chair of the EEC and noted there was some differing data on the cost effectiveness of the 2012 energy code. The BCCC, through a letter from the Home Builders Association, had indicated the insulation levels of the 2012 code were not economical, and the EEC did not agree. He explained the EEC conducted an analysis based on quotes from local suppliers. If they corrected a couple errors in the Home Builders Association letter, the two sources of data were in agreement. He stated they were using data that came from the Building Codes Assistance Project, which was a national organization that studied building code impacts, as they had conducted a study based on costs in Kansas City, which were relatively similar to Columbia, and had found the 2012 energy code would save a homeowner money. They estimated a cost of \$1,460-\$2,293 to implement all of the new measures in the 2012 code, and the \$2,293 amount had been misquoted in the Home Builders Association letter as the cost of wall insulation, which had inflated the cost. Once the formulas used were corrected, their conclusions agreed with those of the EEC. He explained they found R-20 wall insulation had a simple payback of 8-19 years, R-49 attic insulation had a simple payback of 11.6 years, and the homeowner could break even on mortgage costs for these energy upgrades in 7-11 months. The EEC recommended the 2012 energy code be adopted with some minor modifications for practical reasons, and asked the Council to consider their recommendation.

Mayor McDavid thought another issue was termite risk with a certain construction. He did not recall the argument, but noted that and the other items mentioned by Mr. Lile would need to be decided upon by the Council when the issue came to them.

REP122-13 MFA Oil Biomass Miscanthus Test Burn Report.

Mr. Johnsen provided a staff report.

Mr. Skala asked if the problem was due to not having the adequate equipment or if it was related to the size of the fuel. Mr. Johnsen replied the City's fuel was stored outside and this fuel did not store well outside as it tended to degrade with moisture. He explained coal was harder and heavier, and this fuel had been reduced to powder, and the units were not designed to burn powder. As a result, it was combusting as a powder mixture too close to the wall and was generating too much heat on the fuel feeds. It needed to combust as it went in and on the grates, and never made it there.

Mr. Trapp asked if the City burned chunks of coal versus coal in a powder form. Mr. Johnsen replied the City burned a gravel consistency of coal.

Mayor McDavid stated he believed they had all hoped this could be figured out since it was locally produced carbon-neutral energy, and would help the local Midwestern economy if it worked. Mr. Johnsen explained staff was looking at other technologies and avenues to do

this. They were also looking at different technology to burn this fuel. Currently, they had issues merging this fuel with this equipment.

REP123-13 Site Analysis and Usage Plan for the Water and Light Distribution Complex.

Mr. Johnsen provided a staff report.

REP124-13 Correspondence regarding the Intent of the Shoppes at Stadium Transportation Development District to Increase Sales Tax Rates.

Mayor McDavid asked if this increase would require the consent of Council. Ms. Thompson replied it would, and explained it would come back before Council in the form of a resolution at a future Council Meeting.

Mr. Trapp asked if they would provide some analysis of the projects as he felt uncomfortable raising taxes without any documentation as to how it would be spent and an analysis of whether they even needed the money.

Ms. Nauser asked what the time frame was for these TDD's as she understood they would not go into perpetuity. Ms. Thompson replied she did not know. Ms. Nauser stated that would be helpful to know as well.

Mayor McDavid noted they could look at it as a voluntary price increase since it did not have to be paid if they went to another store. Mr. Skala agreed it was user-based, but noted there were 12-13 in the Columbia area. Ms. Nauser stated the entire town was a TDD so it was hard to go someplace else. Mayor McDavid agreed, but pointed out they were paying for infrastructure.

Ms. Hoppe noted it used as tax resource that could otherwise be used by City government or by the public in a way they preferred it be used. She thought they needed to be careful with TDD's as they were using the tax base that the government had relied on in the past.

Mr. Skala agreed with Mr. Trapp in that they needed to know how the money would be used as sales taxes tended to punish those that were less likely to afford it even though it was user based.

Mr. Schmidt thought there had been a lot of changes with regard to what the TDD's along Stadium were going to build and which of the TDD's would pay. Mr. Trapp understood multiple TDD's were funneling money into the same project.

Ms. Hoppe asked if they could be provided how much money had already been collected from the existing sales tax when this was brought back. Ms. Thompson replied she would ask Mr. Hollis or another representative of the TDD to attend the meeting and make a presentation to Council.

Ms. Nauser asked if they had been audited. Mr. Matthes thought they had been, but would check.

REP125-13 Intra-Departmental Transfer of Funds Request.

Mayor McDavid understood this report had been provided for informational purposes.

COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, COUNCIL AND STAFF

John Clark, 403 N. Ninth Street, provided a handout and stated he was present on behalf of People's Visioning. He commented that less than twelve months ago, Regional Economic Development, Inc. (REDI), operating under a contract with the City to develop and implement an economic development policy for the City, had proposed an economic development plan based on tax incentives, such as an Enhanced Enterprise Zone (EEZ), which many thought was problematic. People's Visioning joined with other civic and community groups to voice opposition to the EEZ proposal. In response REDI asked the Council to rescind its authorization and the Council agreed. This made People's Visioning consider whether there were better alternatives to contracting with REDI for planning and implementing economic development policy for the City, and at the August 19 Council Meeting, People's Visioning would provide details on those alternatives.

Linda Frost, 7321 Southern Drive, explained she was present on behalf of the Columbia Youth Community Coalition and noted it was their goal to promote positive youth development, healthy behaviors, and wholesome environments. The Missouri student survey showed alcohol was the number one substance abused by teens. In addition, underage drinking and binge drinking were problematic because they contributed to adverse outcomes, to include poor school performance, teen pregnancy, suicide, violence and crime. Drinking rates also went up when students perceived alcohol was readily available or when they perceived the community would look the other way when minors used alcohol, but when communities took action, underage drinking and the accompanying problems tended to decline. They were pleased the Council had already passed the recent alcohol server training ordinance, but felt adequate law enforcement was also needed. Education along with enforcement was more effective together than alone. She noted they had already partnered with the Columbia Police Department with temporary grant funding for compliance checks leading to positive results. The University of Missouri wellness resource center was another partner that supported successful efforts to reduce problems caused by underage and binge drinking. Together, they were changing the culture from one that condoned underage drinking to an environment that was supportive of healthy behaviors, but there was more to be done. She stated the Youth Community Coalition was requesting that resources freed by the passage of the 911 tax be used to increase law enforcement dedicated to alcohol enforcement and prevention.

Eugene Elkin, 3406 Rangeline, commented that he had recently visited with Mayor McDavid and felt humiliated when put down for repeating something. He wondered why he was attacked when he was the only one willing to speak up. He stated traumatic memories were hard to forget and referred to the natural gas station as he was concerned there could be an explosion affecting nearby facilities. He believed the issue was serious as only one spark, even from a cell phone, could set off an explosion. He understood the City would be tapping into a 36 inch line, which he felt was large, and in the explosion he had experienced in 1996, he was told a 36 inch line had blown causing it. He also understood a 48 inch line would be installed within the community. He had attended a recycling meeting recently where he was the only person that showed up, and believed the public needed to know

methane coming from the landfill needed to be greater than 50 percent or it was not a working mechanism.

Brian Kurukulasuriya, 501 Sudbury Drive, understood there was cooperation between the City and the University in terms of substance abuse, and asked if it would be possible to expand the jurisdiction of the University Police to include parts of downtown for the sake of fighting substance abuse since a person under the influence was not only harming themselves, and alcohol tended to lead to violent and reckless behavior that hurt the community, the State of Missouri, the United States and the Earth as a whole. He noted he saw a proposal involving trucks collecting food waste on the agenda and asked if the current Water and Light facilities could use food waste to produce energy in place of coal.

Monta Welch, 2808 Greenbriar Drive, commented that she was in support of renewable energy and was concerned with the fracking involved with natural gas. She thought the community might have better ideas that were worth considering. She understood a professor at the University of Missouri was looking at technology to compress methane from landfills so that could be used as a non-fracked source of fuel. The environmental community was concerned about too much of an investment in vehicles utilizing fracked sources of fuels. She suggested they use what they currently had gently and sparingly while putting more effort into renewables. She noted they wanted to ensure the building codes included provisions for better building materials for energy efficiencies. She stated the People's Visioning had been looking at a lot of these things and wanted to share them with the Council and staff. She commented that hemp used to be a cash crop for Missouri, and wondered if that could be used at the Power Plant as part of a more environmental fuel source than coal at the Power Plant.

Greg Ahrens, 1504 Sylvan Lane, commented that the Eighth and Broadway decorative crosswalks that were made of brick were falling apart even though they had been installed within the past couple of years. He thought they needed to be addressed. He noted there were many older driveways in Columbia that did not comply with ADA requirements. Areas where driveways crossed sidewalks were required to be more slanted versus being steep so a wheelchair did not fall over the edge. He stated some driveways had even been abandoned, but the apron still existed. He suggested a policy for abandoned driveways. He understood TDD's used funds collected to build transportation infrastructure, and that primarily involved roads. He suggested a policy requiring good connections for pedestrians and those in wheelchairs to get from a trail or pedway to stores within a TDD instead of having to share the driveways with cars.

Mayor McDavid thanked Ms. Nauser and Mr. Trapp for agreeing to assist with the Task Force on Community Violence, and appointed Tyree Byndom, Steve Calloway, Chris Campbell, Cindy Garrett, Dan Hanneken, Pam Hardin, Mike Hayes, Christopher Haynes, Lorenzo Lawson, Paul Prevo, Glenn Robertson, Jerry Taylor and David Thomas to the Task Force.

Mayor McDavid noted he had held a press conference earlier today regarding crime and had reviewed a lot of data. The City had 1.59 per thousand officers twelve years ago, had gone as low as 1.41 per thousand, and would be at about 1.45 per thousand with the hiring of three new officers as part of the FY14 budget. The average nationwide was 2.2 officers per thousand. He pointed out he was not sure how to count the 35 University of Missouri police officers. If they were included, Columbia would still be 15 percent below the national average. He understood a speaker earlier in the evening had mentioned extending the reach of the University Police Department, and thought that would be welcomed by the City as the University was not self-enclosed since three-fourths of students and the faculty and staff lived off of campus. He noted he would provide the City Clerk a copy of his presentation to be forwarded to the Council. He conducted a comparison of police departments in comparable cities, and Columbia had a small Police Department. He pointed out the City was paying a lot of money toward yesterday's employees due to the pension plan deficit, and over the last twelve years, sales tax revenue per capita in constant dollars had dropped 15 percent. The City was expected to provide the same services for public safety, administration, etc., but the funding source had declined. Based on the community angst about crime, which was palpable, he was proposing a 35 member increase in the Police Department, which had been suggested by Chief Burton two years ago and had been mentioned the Columbia Police Officers Association (CPOA) recently, through a property tax increase as he did not believe the community was willing to cut funding to parks, social services or the arts. The City's property tax was currently 41 cents and this would increase it to 61 cents. This proposal would be voted on by Council in two weeks to decide whether to put it on the ballot for the vote of the people in November.

Ms. Nauser agreed the City had fewer officers per capita than many other communities, but pointed out this did not occur overnight or within the past couple of years. The downturn in the economy had put a hold on a lot of necessities. She stressed the importance of intervention and prevention in fighting crime, and noted it was cheaper and easier to prevent someone from a criminal act than incarcerating them and paying the associated costs for keeping them jail. In addition, the vast majority of those sent to prison ended up coming back to the community or going to another community, so it was not a permanent solution. Intervention and prevention were more permanent solutions. She supported Mayor McDavid in his asking the community their level of support, and pointed out many City departments had dedicated taxes, which could not be spent on other items. Only so much of the general revenue funds could be used for this type of activity, and the community had a lot of interests and demands. She noted they were entering the budget season and hoped the public would voice their opinion at public hearings or would contact their council member. The Council could not make decisions without being provided public input, so she encouraged the public to become involved.

Mr. Skala commented that he believed a public referendum on property taxes was a reasonable approach, but did not believe it was the only way to generate more funds. He agreed there was an economic downturn that affected tax revenues, but prior to the downturn, there was a torrid pace of construction and development, and the City did not

utilize that type of revenue stream to enhance capacity in dealing with the crime problem. In the past 20 years, Columbia had grown exponentially, and he believed the infrastructure requirements should include soft infrastructure as well as hard infrastructure, which would include police and fire. He thought the costs associated with growth should be considered in addition to the idea of increasing property tax.

Mr. Skala noted the Council had agreed Oakland Park should be called Albert-Oakland Park in 2008 as the Albert's had provided the land through an agreement, and asked about the status of placing adequate signage on the major roads surrounding the park.

Mr. Skala understood color copies of the Comprehensive Plan had been offered for about \$35 and black and white copies had also been provided. He appreciated that accommodation of staff. He thought this was true for the H3 Charrette report as well, and felt the City needed to make a commitment to ensure at least black and white copies of the various reports were provided.

Mr. Skala asked if the Council had considered whether Columbia should belong to Mayor's Against Illegal Guns as he felt a lot of the violence in the community was related to illegal guns. He understood it was a commitment for the effort to get illegal guns off of the street. Mayor McDavid stated he would look into it as he believed they were all against illegal guns.

Mr. Skala commented that REP118-13 dealt with road trips suggested by the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council and noted he believed it was a small investment in terms of those interested in looking at a couple nearby cities. There were provisions in some of the boards and commissions for small amounts of travel, and the chartering of bus might not be necessary. He felt it was relatively inexpensive and noted those taking the tour would be responsible for their own meals.

Mr. Skala appreciated the fact an earlier speaker and many in the audience wanted improvements to Clark Lane now. He noted he had lived within a few blocks of Clark Lane for about 32 years, and used to bicycle to and from campus, but would not do that any longer since the road was very dangerous. He explained projects associated with Clark Lane and St. Charles Road had been in the CIP Plan in 2005, but some projects were delayed since one of the tax issues had failed. He understood sidewalks would soon be installed along Clark Lane contingent upon the money that remained after a decision was made on the Grindstone Trail. In addition, road improvements would be tied into another bond issue and improvements to Forum Boulevard, and he hoped that would occur within a couple of years. He noted he had been working on this for a long time, and had been equally frustrated it was not happening sooner.

Mr. Trapp commented that he, like Mr. Skala, would also like to go on the road trips identified by the Downtown Columbia Leadership Council.

Mr. Trapp asked for an update on the Prairie Lane connection as he understood contracts were supposed to be signed in July with construction beginning in August.

Mr. Trapp noted Mr. Loveless of Job Point had made a presentation regarding the Columbia Youth Build program not receiving federal funds this year, and suggested they use Council contingency funds in the amount of \$75,000 to allow for a reduced youth training program to fill the gap this year. The program impacted the highest at-risk youth and taught them discipline, helped them obtain their GED's and assisted them with job placement. He had seen the successes of the program and believed it was a great community resource.

Ms. Hoppe understood he wanted to use Council contingency funds from this year. Mr. Trapp stated that was correct. Ms. Nauser asked for the balance in the Council contingency account. Mr. Trapp replied it was higher than \$75,000. He thought it was about \$90,000.

Ms. Nauser stated she agreed they should provide funds to Job Point as she believed one of the problems in the community was the high youth unemployment rate.

Mr. Matthes understood the Council was in agreement and noted staff would prepare an ordinance to provide \$75,000 to Job Point for the youth training program.

Mr. Schmidt commented that jobs had come up over and over again when he discussed the Task Force on Community Violence with various members of the community, so the points made by Mr. Trapp were valid.

Mr. Schmidt agreed with some of the comments of Mr. Ahrens regarding the TDD's and suggested Mr. Hollis also address pedestrian improvements along the Stadium Corridor when he discussed the increased rate of the TDD's at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Schmidt commented that once someone was hurt traveling Clark Lane in a wheelchair or walking along Clark Lane and sued the City, the City would likely have to improve Clark Lane immediately.

Ms. Hoppe noted Public Works had visited the East Campus neighborhood regularly during the move in and move out period in prior years to pick up trash left outside on off-trash pick-up days as it was unsightly. She asked if staff could go through the area every other day as she understood the program paid for itself due to the \$50 fee if trash was put out prior to 4:00 p.m. the day before trash pick-up day. She asked for this to occur in December, May and August on a regular basis, and noted she would like an ordinance to be drafted if necessary.

Ms. Hoppe understood the City was presently ordering natural gas vehicles to replace existing vehicles, and wanted to know if any of the vehicles that would be replaced were hybrids.

Ms. Hoppe noted the Anderson report had fourteen recommendations for the Columbia Police Department and asked for an update on the progress of meeting those recommendations.

Ms. Hoppe commented that she had also noticed abrupt driveway curbs in various locations throughout Columbia, to include Shepard Boulevard, which housed a school, and asked if an ordinance was necessary to require driveways to meet ADA standards. She thought it was a simple fix as the curb would likely only need to be shaved. She asked staff to provide recommendations on how to address this problem.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheela Amin
City Clerk