

**Infrastructure Task Force
Meeting Minutes
November 22, 2010, 3:30 p.m.
City Hall, Conference Room 2A**

Members Present: Scott Atkins, Andrew Beverley, Rhonda Carlson, Ryan Euliss, Tracy Greever-Rice, Mike Grellner, Phebe LaMar, Andy Lee, Ben Londeree, Karl Skala, Rusty Strodman, Bob Walters.

Guests – Paul Land, Chair of the Board and Stuart Scroggs, transportation committee member, Columbia Chamber of Commerce.
Tim Teddy, City of Columbia Planning & Zoning Director.

Staff Present: Paula Hertwig Hopkins, Billye Clemons.

Members Absent: Rex Campbell

Approval of November 3, 2010 minutes

Ms. Carlson moves to approve, Mr. Skala seconds. Motion carries.

Mr. Land discusses impact and developer fees. He notes that infrastructure is important to everyone. The Chamber has engaged an MBA team to try to compare utility fees with same sized, comparable communities, to include total, industrial, commercial and residential consumption. Cities in the study include Cape Girardeau, Joplin, Springfield, Jefferson City, St. Charles and Independence. Also to include three peer cities with collages. Mr. Land will share that report once it's available.

Mr. Londeree notes there are concerns about exactions, especially by developers. He notes he's in favor of proportional fees. Mr. Londeree states that Missouri is one of eight states that does not declare real estate values. Mr. Euliss agrees that property taxes are not consistent.

Mr. Land notes a pet peeve of his and would like the committee to consider recommending smaller sidewalks; 8 foot sidewalks are too big. Mr. Land will forward a study that was done in Okalahoma to Ms. Hertwig Hopkins.

Discussion about why people live out of city limits. Debate between whether Columbia is too expensive, or there are not enough jobs in the surrounding communities.

Tim Teddy reviews major street plans projects. Mr. Teddy notes he has some tables that need to be updated, but wants to know what the priority projects are. The CIP budget appropriations, with other department cooperation, will be updated. Discussion on what we want and need to build vs. what we already have. Update on streets and sidewalks; working on water, sewer and electric. Mr. Teddy discusses impact fees and his experience when he was with Schaumburg, IL; reviews the system they had in place. Fee structure is reviewed every year. Last use assumptions described. Impact fees and site plan approval for every project that required a permit.

Ms. LaMar reviews the Assumptions & Golas from the Transportation Finance – would like to start the report from this page and move forward. Mr. Skala agrees.

Mr. Walters discusses how to determine if developers are paying their way or not. If they are or are not, how does that compare to other communities. Handouts from today are reviewed and discussed. Mr. Teddy notes operating costs are rarely used for impact fees.

Mr. Skala asks if the report Transportation Infrastructure Financing Options report could be updated past the 2010 census.

Mr. Skala recommends having a session to get everything on the table. Next meeting is Dec 6th. Agenda items will include a review of the Goals and Assumptions. Professor Johnson may present at the next meeting. Ms. Hertwig Hopkins is working to have updated information on annual Capital Improvement Plan, geographic, population growth and development growth; completion goal of January.

Next Meeting

December 6, 2010, 4 p.m., City Hall, Conference Room 2A.

Adjourn

Mr. Grellner moves to adjourn. Mr. Strodman seconds. Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:10 p.m.