

Columbia City Council
Pre-Council Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2007, 6:00 p.m.
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel Boone Building

Council members present: Almeta Crayton, Chris Janku, Jerry Wade, Laura Nauser and Barbara Hoppe.

Absent: Mayor Hindman and Karl Skala were absent.

Council consensus to schedule budget work session dates on Monday, August 21; Thursday, August 23; and, Monday, August 27.

City Manager requested that the Council hold a Closed Meeting at the August 6 pre-Council. Motion included on tonight's agenda.

Agenda Items:

Mr. Boeckmann explained one way to handle B214-07 – storm water ordinance implementation would be to request the item be withdrawn under adjustments to the agenda.

The City Manager stated there would be an additional W/L Board vacancy – Greg Macias took a job in Kansas City.

Mr. Teddy introduced Terry Frueh and Bill Florea. Mr. Frueh and Mr. Florea made the attached PowerPoint presentation and answered Council questions. The plan includes some overlap and coordination with the Mayor's storm water committee. They "complement" each other. An analysis was completed and this information will be shared with Council members.

Mr. Wade had some procedural questions regarding two issues pertaining to the franchise fee -- raising and allocating additional funds. Mr. Boeckmann explained that it requires 90 days notice before it takes effect and is paid quarterly.

Mr. Watkins stated it should probably be done as part of the budget, including public hearings on the matter. He explained that if Council wants to do that, would not receive a blanket 2% and permanent allocation – prefers some kind of process. He pointed out that you're buying services and not just giving out dollars. He stated that the Cable Task Force members may have a conflict, but you might want to set up another group to review requests.

Mr. Wade commented that we could talk about a guiding policy of "communications" including video streaming.