

Columbia City Council
Pre-Council Meeting Minutes –April 7, 2008, 5:45 p.m.
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel Boone Building

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

Absent: None

The City Manager reviewed the following items:

Appointment of Planning and Zoning Commission Member - Ann Peter's term on the PZC will expire on May 31. Six applicants have applied for one vacancy. Council agreed to conduct interviews beginning at 5:00 p.m., Monday, May 19. Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. followed by the regularly scheduled pre-Council meeting.

Special Meeting/Swearing In, Monday, April 14, 5:30 p.m. Hoppe will be absent.

Monday, April 21, Council meeting. Pre-council topics: sewer ballot recap/potential water issue, essential air service alternatives, and 6th/Walnut parking garage

Mike Vangel and Shannon Baker provided Council with an update regarding the GetAbout Columbia Campaign. The Council received a backpack filled with information about the program. Additional information may be found on the web site www.getaboutcolumbia.com

Tim Teddy and Tom Lata provided information on the city's CDBG/HOME programs and requested Council direction for public improvement applications. Proposals are due on May 2, 2008. Council direction was to include projects: Worley Street sidewalk and Highview. Council member Crayton asked what new programs, besides the two we're currently using, are available and requested a face to face meeting with HUD officials.

Lori Fleming and Dale Swoboda, Chair of the Finance Advisory Committee, reviewed the findings of the single audit report. The Finance Advisory Committee unanimously accepted and approved the financial statement and audit findings. It was reported that the city is financially sound. Ms. Fleming pointed out a "material weakness" was found and explained what steps were being taken to prevent this from occurring in the future.