

Columbia City Council – Work Session Minutes
Wednesday, July 22, 2009, 6:00 p.m.
Daniel-Boone Building, 4th floor conference room

Council members present: Mayor Hindman, Paul Sturtz, Karl Skala, Jerry Wade,
Laura Nauser and Barbara Hoppe

Absent: Jason Thornhill

Central Missouri Humane Society

Patty Forister, Executive Director; Maria Furey, Board President; and, Bob Swanson, Board Member were present. Ms. Forister made the attached power point presentation. The Central Missouri Humane Society is requesting Council enter into a municipal shelter services agreement which would provide approximately \$80,000 in additional funding.

Stadium Widening (I-70 to Broadway)

The City Manager provided a status of the project. This is a very ambitious project that is to be completed over the next several years. He indicated that sales tax revenues have changed significantly in the last two years and he wanted to inform the Council of the recent changes, so if Council did not want to move forward with the project, the items introduced at the July 20 meeting would not be approved. Because of the decline in sales tax revenue (retailers closing – Circuit City), there is less certainly in the sales tax revenues.

John Glascock described the proposed project improvements. There are no changes to the Ash/Bernadette intersection planned at this time. Mr. Wade indicated this is a dangerous intersection and requested that it be given further review.

Lori Fleming reviewed the financing for the \$20 million project. She stressed that if the sales tax revenues are not there, the city will have to come up with the dollars to pay off the loan. The state committed up to \$8.9M available in 2012 for state projects. General Growth payments end in October 2019.

John Glascock described the order/year the projects would be constructed.

Staff described the financing difficulties and wanted to make sure the Council understood the risk involved in proceeding with the project.

Fred Boeckmann described the (3) items on the upcoming agenda – legislation introduced at the August 3 Council meeting.

I and I

John Glascock indicated that TREKK consultants performed an I and I (inflow and infiltration) study and were here to present the results of the study to Council.

Steve Hunt indicated the study area consisted of Ward 1. Mr. Hunt introduced the consultants Cliff Cate and Ron Thomann. (see attached power point presentation)

The last wastewater ballot issue was in 2008 and the next ballot issue would be in 2013. The Council will need to further discuss how the proposed improvements will be funded.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m.