MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – COLUMBIA, MISSOURI JANUARY 5, 2009

INTRODUCTORY

The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri met for a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 5, 2009, in the Council Chambers of the City of Columbia, Missouri. The roll was taken with the following results: Council Members NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU and SKALA were present. Council Member WADE 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 December 15, 2008 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 Hindman noted staff was requesting Report K be added to the agenda. The agenda, to include the Consent Agenda and the addition of Report K, was approved unanimously by voice vote on a motion by Ms. Hoppe and a second by Mr. Skala.

SPECIAL ITEMS

Mayor Hindman welcomed Boy Scout Troop #702 from Broadway Christian Church to the meeting.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENT

Amir Ziv - Cozy Cottage Project.

Amir Ziv, 904 N. Eighth Street, commented that he believed the Council was aware of the problems he was having with his project due to the letters he had written and felt there were four scenarios. One scenario involved him waiting for the Council to come up with a cottage ordinance. The associated problems were that the Council would not know what to include and it would take months to accomplish, and as a result, it would cost him more money. Another scenario was for the City to pay for it. He commented that if the City thought an 8-inch pipe, plans, repairs for flooding issues, etc. were necessary, the City should pay for those items as he felt some of the requirements were ridiculous. A third scenario would be for the City to provide him a \$20,000 grant. He stated he had tried not to get the City involved and did not want to accept City money, but felt it might be the only way to get the project done. He also thought it might take a long time for a grant to be available for him. A final scenario would be to allow him to build the project as if it were an R-2 development. It could be a test for them to learn from the project. The City could then knowledgably develop a cottage ordinance. He noted he thought that was what the Council had voted for, but now understood that was not the case. He was not sure how to get answers from this point and hoped someone would assist him. When the Council voted

unanimously in favor of this project, he did not know there would be such a disconnect between the Council and staff. He believed people thought that when the Council voted in favor of something, it should be done with the help of staff. He commented that Public Works could make it difficult by throwing up many walls, wasting time and making it costly, which caused people to walk away from projects. He felt something needed to be done about this disconnect. He stated he had received many e-mails from people with great projects indicating they did not want to deal with the City or had dealt with the City and would never do it again. He did not believe it should be that way.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(A) <u>Voluntary annexation of property located on the southwest side of Strawn Road</u> (State Route ZZ) south of I-70.

Item A was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained this was the required public hearing on the voluntary annexation of about 27.5 acres in northwest Columbia and was land the City was in the process of acquiring as part of the extension of the Perche Creek Trail. The applicant was requesting R-1 zoning, which was the usual zoning for parkland. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval of the R-1 zoning.

Mr. Janku understood the adjoining tract owned by Public Works was already within the City limits and asked if it would be transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department. Mr. Watkins replied it would and stated he expected it to come before the Council quickly.

Mayor Hindman opened the public hearing.

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

(B) <u>Voluntary annexation of property located on the south side of Richland Road, approximately 250 feet east of the St. Charles Road and Richland Road intersection.</u>

Item B was read by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained this was the required public hearing on the voluntary annexation of about 21.9 acres in east Columbia. The applicant was requesting C-P zoning with all C-3 uses. He showed the subject tract on the overhead along with other tracts with pending annexations.

Ms. Hoppe commented that a motion had been made at a previous Council meeting for the Planning and Zoning Commission to consider doing a sub-area plan for the area and asked if they were working on it and if Council would receive something soon. Mr. Teddy replied they were meeting this week to discuss the scope of the sub-area plan.

Mayor Hindman opened the public hearing.

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

OLD BUSINESS

B371-08 <u>Authorizing construction of sewers in Sewer District No. 148 (South Garth Avenue); calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.</u>

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained the Council established this sewer district in 2005. It involved 20 lots along the east side of Garth Avenue, just north of Stewart. This was an old private common collector sewer, which was attached to the City's system as opposed to being an on-site system. Per policy, the City would pay for the project because it was a private common collector and because the easements needed would be provided. Council approved a motion directing staff to proceed on December 1, 2008, and this was the final step in moving it to reality.

Mr. Sturtz asked how they would compare the complexity of this to the Maupin and Edgewood project. Mr. Glascock replied that project was the biggest sewer district they had ever tackled. This one was much smaller in scale and not as complex.

B371-08 was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

B372-08 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to establish an all-way stop at the intersection of Nifong Boulevard and Bearfield Road and to set the speed limit along Bearfield Road.

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained this was the enabling ordinance to a report the Council had directed staff to prepare and it did two things. It created an all-way stop at the intersection of Nifong Boulevard and Bearfield Road. It also set the speed limit at 35 mph on the City controlled piece of Bearfield Road, which was just south of Grindstone Parkway. The road was jointly maintained and the 35 mph speed limit was consistent with the other jurisdictions.

Ms. Hoppe commented that the map provided did not show any of the intensive development on the southeast corner of the intersection and asked when they would be getting maps that were more up to date. Mr. Glascock replied he thought flyovers were done every 3-4 years. Ms. Hoppe asked for the year of this map and when it would be updated. Mr. Glascock replied he did not know. He understood the County completed a flyover this year, but he did not know if the cottages were developed when they started flying. Ms. Hoppe stated she was surprised to see nothing on that corner. Mr. Glascock explained it took 3-4 years before receiving a new aerial. Mr. Watkins noted the City just did a flyover for the natural resources inventory, but it was not on the City's server yet. It was on the University server. The City had not made it available to the public because they had not yet received all of the tools to analyze it. He thought they would be able to use it as the base map in the foreseeable future. Mayor Hindman pointed out it would always take time to get caught up due to projects still happening. Mr. Watkins noted it was very expensive to do the flyovers, which was why it was not done every year. Ms. Hoppe commented she knew the fly over had been done quite a while ago and was eager to see them.

Ms. Hoppe stated she had received quite a few requests from the people that lived in the area and from the parents of the students living in the area to look at the intersection and speed limit. She felt this was needed and appreciated it.

Mayor Hindman understood staff had determined a four-way stop sign was needed and that the next step would be a round-a-bout or a signalized system. Mr. Glascock stated that was correct, if it were warranted. Mayor Hindman understood it would require a lot more

traffic. Mr. Glascock stated that was correct. Mr. Janku noted it would also cost more money. Mayor Hindman understood.

B372-08 was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

B373-08 Amending Chapter 14 of the City Code to prohibit parking along a section of Providence Road.

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained this would prohibit parking at all times on both sides of Providence Road, from Mick Deaver Memorial Drive, which was at the new traffic light at the bottom of the hill, north to Stadium Boulevard. Parking was already restricted on Providence Road north of Stadium and some pieces within this area were also already restricted. This was being requested by MoDOT and the University was supportive of the request.

Mr. Glascock pointed out the City Police Department had also reviewed it and was agreeable.

Mayor Hindman understood the reason for this was so a right-hand turn lane could be added on Providence. Mr. Glascock stated MoDOT would be putting it in on the northbound lane.

Mayor Hindman asked if this was one of the intersections being worked on for pedestrian and bicycle improvements. Mr. Glascock replied he did not believe it was since they were coming in under the bridge on Hinkson. Mayor Hindman asked about the Stadium and Providence intersection. Mr. Glascock replied it was one. Mayor Hindman asked if when the turn lane was installed if there would be provisions for bicyclists and pedestrians. Mr. Glascock replied there would if MoDOT allowed it. Mayor Hindman asked if staff had seen the designs for the intersection. Mr. Glascock asked if he was referring to the new right turn lane or the intersection. Mayor Hindman explained that currently people could go up the shoulder. He wondered if the right turn lane would eliminate the shoulder and thought they needed to keep that in mind.

B373-08 was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

B375-08 Appropriating funds for the purchase of furniture and fixtures for the Police Training Facility.

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins stated the voters had approved the police training facility in the 2005 and the City had recently broken ground on the facility. They expected it to be ready later this year. This ordinance would appropriate about \$84,000 from the law enforcement training fund for the furniture and fixtures to be used in the facility.

B375-08 was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

B378-08 <u>Amending Chapter 2 of the City Code as it relates to the Columbia Vision</u> Commission.

The bill was given second reading by the Clerk.

Mr. Watkins explained this was drafted per Council request and would change the composition of the Vision Commission. They would essentially be adding two more permanent members.

Mr. Skala asked if their intention was for the seated commission to determine whether it needed further resource members. Mayor Hindman replied that was his understanding. He noted the commission would appoint the resource members instead of the Council.

Mr. Skala made a motion to amend B378-08 per the amendment sheet. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nauser and approved unanimously by voice vote.

B378-08, as amended, was given third reading with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bill declared enacted, reading as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- B370-08 Approving the Final Plat of Centerstate Plat 12 located on the northwest side of Woodard Drive, south of Mexico Gravel Road; authorizing a performance contract.
- B374-08 Accepting conveyances for street, utility, drainage and sewer purposes.
- B376-08 Authorizing an agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the Blueprint for Safer Roadways Program; appropriating funds.
- R1-09 Setting a public hearing: voluntary annexation of property located on the east side of Rolling Hills Road, extended, approximately one mile north of State Route WW.
- R2-09 Setting a public hearing: proposed non-motorized intersection improvements at Providence Road and Business Loop 70 and Providence Road and Green Meadows Road.
- R3-09 <u>Setting a public hearing: construction of the Bear Creek Trail Connections</u>
 <u>Project at Blue Ridge Road and Python Court.</u>
- R4-09 <u>Setting a public hearing: construction of the Hinkson Creek (Greenbriar) Trail</u>
 <u>Connection Project.</u>
- R5-09 <u>Setting a public hearing: reconstruction of the Old Route K Bridge over Hinkson Creek, south of Reactor Park.</u>
- R6-09 <u>Setting a public hearing: construction of the Hinkson Creek Trail between the Grindstone Nature Area and Stephens Lake Park.</u>
- R7-09 Setting a public hearing: construction of a water sprayground at Douglass Family Aquatic Center.
- R8-09 Setting a public hearing: construction of improvements at Douglass Park.
- R9-09 Authorizing an agreement for social services with OATS, Inc.

- R10-09 <u>Authorizing an agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri as it relates to the Community Issues Management (CIM) system.</u>
- R11-09 <u>Authorizing an agreement with The YouZeum, Inc. for attraction development</u> funds.
- R12-09 <u>Authorizing an agreement with the Columbia Art League for tourism development funds.</u>

The bills were given third reading and the resolutions were read with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE. Bills declared enacted and resolutions declared adopted, reading as follows:

NEW BUSINESS

None.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

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

PR13-09	Adopting procedures for soliciting bids and proposals for tax increment financing projects under the Real Property Tax Increment Allocation Act.
B1-09	Voluntary annexation of property located on the southwest side of Strawn Road (State Route ZZ) south of I-70; establishing permanent R-1 zoning.
B2-09	Approving the Final Plat of Fox Lair, Plat No. 1 located at the southern terminus of Dolly Varden Drive; authorizing a performance contract.
B3-09	Vacating excess street right-of-way along the south side of Blue Ridge Road, west of the Garth Avenue and Blue Ridge Road intersection.
B4-09	Authorizing an airport aid agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission; appropriating funds.
B5-09	Authorizing an agreement with Boone County, Missouri relating to road improvements on Rolling Hills Road, from State Route WW to New Haven Road.
B6-09	Authorizing a waste water treatment capacity allocation permit with the Boone County Regional Sewer District.
B7-09	Calling for bids for construction of the North Grindstone Sewer Extension Phase I Project.
B8-09	Authorizing acquisition of easements for construction of the Mill Creek Phase II storm water management project.
B9-09	Establishing Columbia, Missouri Sanitary Sewer District No. 166 along Thompson Road.
B10-09	Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water connection fees.
B11-09	Amending Chapter 27 of the City Code as it relates to water rates.

- B12-09

 <u>Authorizing Change Order No. 2 to the agreement with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for engineering services for an Integrated Resource Plan as it relates to power supply needs and alternatives.</u>
- B13-09 <u>Accepting a conveyance for utility purposes.</u>
- B14-09 <u>Authorizing construction of a water sprayground at Douglass Family Aquatic Center; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.</u>
- B15-09 <u>Authorizing construction of improvements at Douglass Park; calling for bids through the Purchasing Division.</u>
- Authorizing a lease and memorandum of understanding with the Missouri

 Department of Conservation relating to the lease of property in the Gans

 Creek Recreation Area and the H.J. Waters and C.B. Moss Memorial

 Wildlife Area.
- B17-09 <u>Authorizing an interim territorial agreement with the Boone County Fire Protection District.</u>
- B18-09 <u>Calling a municipal election to elect Council Members for Wards 2 and 6.</u>

REPORTS AND PETITIONS

(A) <u>Intra-departmental Transfer of Funds.</u>

Mayor Hindman noted this was an informational report.

(B) <u>Traffic Management – Smith and Louisville.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained a stop sign was added on Louisville Drive at Smith in June of 2008 and Council had asked staff to review various traffic situations to determine if any other changes needed to be made to the traffic configuration. This was essentially a T-intersection with one side of the T being a dead end. Staff reviewed this and did not believe traffic warranted stop signs on Smith Drive at this point. They were recommending no additional changes be made at this time and for the report to be accepted by the Council.

(C) <u>Adoption of 2009 International Building Codes and the 2008 National Electrical Code.</u>

Mayor Hindman understood this report was informational in that it explained the process by which building codes were reviewed.

Mr. Janku stated he thought they had discussed changing it a little to include other boards and commissions and others with expertise and interest in the process. He understood they wanted to get it done expeditiously, but also believed they needed time for input.

Mr. Glascock stated he had participated in a meeting with the Chair of the Water and Light Advisory Board, the co-chair of the Environment and Energy Commission, the Building Construction Codes Commission and Mr. Kahler, so the process had started, and they would discuss a process to do what the Council was asking. This report provided the process from the past as they did not have anything new set up at this time.

(D) <u>Traffic Calming – Vanderveen.</u>

Mr. Janku understood bike lanes were being considered for Rain Forest Parkway. He thought it would be good for staff to meet with the neighborhood association regarding the possibility of traffic calming on Rain Forest, east of Providence Road. He thought the concern of traffic being shifted onto different residential streets was legitimate and if they neighborhood believed that would be the case and it would be detrimental to the neighborhood, they would not want to proceed. He personally did not think that would be the case because they did not have parallel streets, like Worley, Ash and Broadway. He understood the major duplex development on Rain Forest, west of Providence, was responsible for a lot of the traffic because access was only available from Smiley and Rain Forest. He commented that the reason the neighborhood association was concerned was because of a park with a pool on Rain Forest without crossing points to protect pedestrians, other than the four-way stop at Providence. He noted that some of this traffic might not head in that direction once Providence and Range Line were completed and improved because there would be an outlet to the south. He suggested they discuss temporary traffic calming with the neighbors. He asked staff to meet with the neighborhood association to discuss the different options and for their input, and to then provide Council a report. He noted the association board of directors met the first Tuesday of every month. He suggested staff meet with them next month. Mr. Watkins stated staff would contact the board of directors to determine if they could get on the next agenda.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to prepare an ordinance for the four-way stop at Rain Forest Parkway and Providence Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.

(E) WiFi on City Buses.

Mayor Hindman noted the staff suggestion was for no further action.

Mr. Janku stated he did not think the City could afford it at this time, but suggested staff try to get a subsidy or someone else to pick up the cost.

Ms. Hoppe stated she agreed they could not afford all of them, but thought they should consider the possibility of one or a few pilot bus routes to see how it worked, if it attracted more people and if it would pay for itself. Mr. Janku commented that the routes catering to students would be the ones most likely to use WiFi. Ms. Hoppe explained she currently did not use the bus system because it took a half-hour longer to get to work on the bus, but if the bus had WiFi she could be productive during that half-hour, which would cause her to seriously consider using the bus and WiFi services. She felt it might be a draw to others in the community as well.

Mr. Skala noted they had been discussing advertising on buses and thought that might be a way to provide an incentive to companies that provided the service as a pilot project.

Mr. Janku suggested they ask staff to explore the possibility of a subsidy by a company that might be willing to provide the service. Mr. Watkins asked if they should look at this for just the student areas. Mr. Janku replied he mentioned that because most students carried their laptops and would probably use it. He agreed others might use it as well. He just thought the high demand areas would be the Grindstone route and the route that went up and down Old 63. Ms. Hoppe agreed they would use it, but noted they already used the bus

service because it was being paid for by the apartment complexes. She suggested they ask staff to provide input on what they think the better routes would be. Mr. Janku thought the complexes that paid for the buses might pay for the WiFi as well.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to explore the possibility of subsidies for WiFi service on bus routes. Mr. Watkins understood Council wanted to know if someone was willing to pick up part of the costs for WiFi service even if they had to break it down to a particular route or two. Mr. Janku stated that was correct. He wanted to know what interest was out there. Mayor Hindman suggested they explore the possibility of putting it on a route to see if it increased ridership as well because there could be the potential of it paying for itself on a particular route. He did not think anyone was proposing they do this for the whole system. Mr. Skala agreed. The motion made by Mr. Janku was seconded by Ms. Hoppe and approved unanimously by voice vote.

(F) <u>Exercise/Fitness Stations at Albert-Oakland Park.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained this was an informational report requested by Ms. Hoppe regarding the exercise fitness stations. The report outlined the approach and schedule for upgrading items at the MKT, Albert-Oakland Park and Lions-Stephens Park. The goal was to replace them all.

Mr. Hood noted they had intended to replace all of the fitness stations at the three parks over the next three years. They had tried to allocate funding throughout the CIP process to accomplish it.

Mr. Janku asked if the new equipment being suggested had been evaluated for durability. Mr. Hood replied that was part of their concern. The equipment had been on the market for a couple of years and they were stating to receive some feedback. The intent was to put in a couple this year to see how they held up. They would then make decisions with regard to whether to go with more current trends or not as they moved forward over the next couple of years.

Mr. Janku commented that a couple of the issues were the exposure of the equipment to the elements and use, but another issue was the potential for vandalism. He suggested they be located near the pool area or the junior high. Mr. Hood explained the current stations were spaced around the trail that circled through the park. He stated users traditionally liked to move from station to station along the trail, but noted they could look at other locations. He pointed out these pieces were specifically designed for outdoor installation in this type of setting, but stated they were not completely comfortable with regard to how they would hold up in an outdoor setting.

Ms. Hoppe commented that there was a lot of erosion just north of the sitting area at the baseball fields near the school. In addition, it appeared as though a truck had been driving on the grass. She asked if staff had plans to do something about the erosion issue. Mr. Hood stated he would look into it. He thought it might be maintenance vehicles going to the ball fields. He noted there had always been a problem with the erosion of that hillside and pointed out they had built a block wall along there about 5-8 years ago in an effort to try to control it. There was also a project for some major work in rebuilding the ball fields in the five year CIP. Access with regard to the sidewalk and access for maintenance vehicles

would be something they looked into. He pointed out that project did not have a funding source at this point and would need one in order to do the major renovations of the ball fields. He stated staff would look at the erosion area to determine if they could take care of it.

(G) <u>Lighting the CCRA Skate Park/Roller Hockey Rink.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained Mr. Sturtz had asked staff to look into the cost of lighting the Cosmo Skate Park in December. In 1998, when they built the skate park, the original plan was for the City to build the facility and for a group of volunteers, who called themselves the Columbia Skate Board Association, to raise funds to provide lights. Unfortunately, the fundraising efforts failed and the group was disbanded, so the lights were never installed. He noted the cost to install lights would be \$102,000-\$120,000 and there were no funds in the budget for such a project. He commented that after ten years of operational experience, they had a number of concerns about lighting the skate park, in addition to the \$3,500 per year they believed it would cost to keep the park lit. From a risk management perspective, there was concern regarding increased exposure and the probable increase in the amount of vandalism and graffiti that would come with the extended availability of the use of the park.

Mr. Hood commented that since there was no funding source at this point, the Council should consider including it on the next park sales tax ballot issue if they felt this should continue to be looked into. Staff had mixed feelings as there were benefits to be gained but also issues associated with lighting it.

Mr. Sturtz thanked staff for the thorough report and noted he was surprised the costs were so high. He commented that one of the three reasons to not proceed was the failed fundraising effort and stated he did not follow that rationale as they would not get a lot done if everyone had to do private fundraising. Mr. Hood explained they were saying that was the primary reason nothing had occurred to date. The initial plan was for the group to light it if the Council put up the funds to build it. They had not seriously looked at the lighting since that time.

Mr. Sturtz stated he understood an increased cost for maintenance with a site associated with young people, but thought there were a lot of up-sides as well, to include providing a positive activity in the early evening. He noted he was not out there often so he was uncertain as to what might happen at 6:00 or 7:00 p.m. on a winter night. Mr. Hood commented that if they decided to encourage evening use in the winter months, quality lighting should be put in. He pointed out most of those evenings were school nights and no other activity was occurring in the park in the winter. He reiterated there were pros and cons. Mr. Sturtz noted they did not have funds at this time, so he thought it should be taken up at another time.

Ms. Hoppe commented that they had been talking about providing more constructive activities for youth, so it might be worthwhile to look into. She suggested they ask the Parks and Recreation Commission to look into it and provide a recommendation. They could then decide whether or not to put it on the CIP Plan.

Ms. Hoppe made a motion directing staff to refer this issue to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their review and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sturtz.

Mr. Watkins suggested they ask the Police Department for their recommendation as well since it was located in a distant and far end part of the park.

Mr. Skala thought it was useful to consider they were in lean times with regard to the budget and pointed out he was not saying this was not a good idea as he applauded the effort to refer this to the Parks and Recreation Commission. He believed it was worth while to look into this, but felt the most cogent argument was to put it on the CIP Plan and allow the public to provide input to determine how much it would be backed. At this time, he did not think they could justify the expense.

Mayor Hindman understood the motion was to refer the issue to the Parks and Recreation Commission and asked if it included referring it to the Police Department for comment. Ms. Hoppe and Mr. Sturtz were agreeable to referring it to the Police Department for comment.

The revised motion made by Ms. Hoppe and seconded by Mr. Sturtz to direct staff to refer this issue to the Parks and Recreation Commission for their review and recommendation and to refer the issue to the Police Department for comment was approved unanimously by voice vote.

(H) Proctor Park Sidewalk.

Mr. Watkins explained this report was prepared at the request of Mr. Janku and involved the construction of about 400 feet of a 5-foot wide sidewalk along Proctor Drive. The cost was roughly \$36,000 - \$42,000 and no funding had been currently identified for this piece, although there was some sidewalk funding. He commented that if they moved it from a parks project to a sidewalk project, they might be able to accomplish it.

Mr. Janku noted a few years ago, the Council approved the zoning and plat for Bear Creek Village, which was immediately to the west of Proctor Park. When the development was constructed, it met the new sidewalk policy, which required sidewalks to be built on unimproved streets. As a result, there was a sidewalk that led from the subdivision to the park with only a small gap near the common area. Once they were at the park, the road was still unimproved, but after they passed the park, Proctor was a 32-foot wide street with curb and gutter. It did not have a sidewalk, but it was relatively wide and safe to walk on. In addition, it was just west of Parkade School and Parkade Park. He believed this was a worthwhile piece in terms of connectivity for everyone who lived west on Proctor in the new subdivision. He stated he thought it was more important than it might look.

Ms. Nauser asked if this was a developed park or just green space. Mr. Janku replied it had some park equipment, a limited amount of playground equipment and a shelter. He pointed out this was not just for park access. It was to improve the connectivity to the area to the east, which included the school. He stated it was a first time buyer/starter home subdivision and would have a lot of young families with young children, so connectivity was important.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to include this sidewalk in the current CIP Plan for annual funding or a future CIP Plan. Mr. Janku understood staff would be providing ideas for projects to move forward with this year. Mr. Watkins stated it was being done as part of the CIP review, which had just started. Mayor Hindman understood Mr. Janku was asking for

this to be seriously considered as part of the CIP. Mr. Janku stated that was correct. The motion made by Mr. Janku was seconded by Ms. Hoppe and approved unanimously by voice vote.

(I) <u>Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission Report: League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community Designation.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained this report was from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission. They were asking for Council permission and direction to apply for this designation. He understood there was no real cost involved in getting the designation, outside of the preparation of an application. The Planning and Development Department staff would work with the Commission to prepare the application if Council so directed.

Mayor Hindman made a motion directing the Bicycle and Pedestrian Commission to proceed with preparation and submittal of the application. The motion was seconded by Mr. Janku.

Ms. Hoppe commented that she had been to many of the communities on the list and thought Columbia might be ahead a lot of them.

The motion made by Mayor Hindman and seconded by Mr. Janku was and approved unanimously by voice vote.

(J) <u>Lease of City-owned Property at Vandiver Drive and Oakland Gravel Road for Construction of Accessible Housing.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained this report was prepared by staff and was follow-up to some ideas that had been presented to Council and the Community Development Commission pertaining to the lease of up to 2.4 acres. They believed part of it would need to be retained for sidewalks, stormwater, etc., so the entire 2.4 acres would likely not be available. If Council wished to proceed, he suggested they direct staff to prepare a RFP. Based upon the RFP, Council could then direct staff to move forward with some option or lease agreement.

Mr. Janku suggested the RFP include something about how an on-going relationship with the neighbors would be maintained through the development process and beyond. He thought that might include an advisory group or meetings on an on-going basis for ease through the rezoning process. He commented that he would prefer it be a PUD and thought the staff report outlined some reasons. It gave the Council certain controls, but also provided flexibility to the developer in terms of setback, etc. He stated zoning was forever and if the agreement with the developer fell through, the City would not be protected. He believed the PUD process was superior and hoped it would be required.

Mr. Skala thought Mr. Janku provided a cogent argument because it provided protections for the City, developer and neighborhood and thought it was a worthwhile goal to pursue with the RFP.

Mr. Janku understood the Oakland Gravel sidewalk was in the 2009 CIP for design, so he did not need to comment on it.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to include neighborhood involvement and a requirement for development to be a PUD in the RFP, and to proceed with the RFP process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.

(K) <u>Human Society Stormwater Management.</u>

Mr. Watkins explained there had been some flooding issues at the Fire Training Academy and the Human Society. The City had sent a number of crews out there to determine how they might relatively inexpensively provide a positive change in terms of the flooding. Staff was proposing a combination of re-grading, trenching, piping and changes to the curb at Big Bear and doing the work internally by using equipment from the Pubic Works Department and the Water and Light Department. Staff felt this could be done without obtaining additional easements and the cost was in the \$60,000 range for time, equipment and materials. It was not in any particular project and would come from operational funds. Street maintenance would pay for part, the water and electric utility would donate material, equipment and equipment operators. They needed Council direction with regard to whether the work should be done. He noted that although it was not a big project, it could have a positive impact. In addition, an argument could be made that it should be done with the stormwater utility, but there was no money in the stormwater utility. The best way to accomplish it was to use street and water line forces. He pointed out this area was low and in the floodplain, so this would not solve every flooding condition, but they believed it would make a big improvement.

Mayor Hindman stated he thought the community would appreciate this being done. He did not think a situation where people were wading around in rubber boots rescuing and feeding the animals was acceptable to the community. He believed the proposal was a good one.

Mr. Skala noted they were facing some funding issues in that area and thought they should do what they could from the perspective of "in the public interest."

Mayor Hindman made a motion directing staff to proceed with the work utilizing interdepartmental City crews. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

None.

COMMENTS BY PUBLIC, COUNCIL AND STAFF

Kurt Albert, 400 High Point Lane, thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for the upgrades on the exercise equipment at Albert-Oakland Park, but noted he was not certain all of them needed to be upgraded. He thought some could be repaired. He thought volunteers or boy scouts could be used to do some of the work. Because a lot of the stuff was wood, it had become dangerous over the years. He stated he was concerned with some of the erosion problems and standing water over the sidewalks that the children from the school had to use for the Park. He noted there was also a vandalized park table in the westernmost shelter of the joint-use area near the pool.

Justin McNutt, 305 Macaw Drive, commented that he worked for Mizzou Telecom and was the supervisor for most of the networking group, and with respect to WiFi on the buses, he thought they would see a lot of Sprint handheld phones and iPhones because they were

easier to use on a bus than a laptop. He stated he was starting to see it more among professionals and students and noted that would change the demographic of who would be using the system. He understood one bus route went down Blue Ridge Road. He was not sure which direction it went, but noted it went from Garth to Range Line as part of its route. If it were diverted north on Providence to Smiley and back to Range Line in either direction, it would go past his residence and the duplexes in Vanderveen. With regard to the use of WiFi and traffic down Rain Forest, a slight diversion of the bus route might be handy.

Mr. McNutt explained he was on the board for the homeowners association for Vanderveen and they were scheduled to meet tomorrow night. He noted it was a loosely run meeting, so any Council Member would be more than welcome to attend. They met at 7:00 p.m. at Derby Ridge Elementary and usually took all visitors at the beginning of the meeting, so they were free to leave afterward. If any of them were not available, he was sure they could make room for them at the next meeting.

Mr. McNutt understood the State Historical Society wanted to locate its new building on the north side of Elm Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets, but in looking at a diagram on the City's website, the building was a block over on Sixth and Seventh Streets, across from Peace Park. He asked which location was accurate. Mr. Watkins explained Sasaki showed a number of opportunity sites and did not indicate a specific location. They talked about the need to develop an arts and museum corridor along Elm Street. The actual building the Society was proposing was substantially bigger than what Sasaki had used in their report. In meetings with the University subsequent to Sasaki, he understood the University was interested in taking the parking lots next to the Heinkel Building and making those the Art and Archeology Museum and the Anthropology Museum, which would ultimately be moved out of Red Campus.

Mr. Sturtz understood Mr. McNutt to say the increased popularity of the iPhones, Blackberries and other handheld devices would change the demographic and asked if that meant the City would not need WiFi service on buses because those devices did not require WiFi. Mr. McNutt replied no. He was suggesting that the handheld devices were becoming more and more popular with adult professionals because laptops were difficult to lug around and use. These portable devices, such as a Sprint PCS phone and an iPhone, had WiFi and his co-workers were using them to connect to the VPN and Exchange in order to e-mail while they were out. Mr. Sturtz thought iPhones and Blackberries could roam anywhere without WiFi. Mr. McNutt agreed, but noted it was too slow. He thought they would go for a faster speed.

Mr. Janku noted there was an opening on the Internet Citizens Advisory Group and encouraged Mr. McNutt to apply. In terms of bus service, he understood staff had looked at extending bus service down Range Line to Smiley, but it could only be implemented after construction was finished because it would delay the route too much. He hoped the Public Works Department could attend their February meeting to discuss traffic calming. Mr. McNutt stated he would make sure the association was aware of that.

Mayor Hindman stated his general impression from reading the Affordable Housing Report was that projects such as what this developer, Amir Ziv, had proposed was the kind of thing they wanted to see done. He noted the Report recognized the City's zoning and subdivision ordinances were not established with this kind of thing in mind, so they would have to be changed. He understood they had asked for a report on a cottage-type ordinance. Land, the ability to meet ordinances and a developer were needed for a development. In this case, they had the land and a developer who was willing to try to do something that was highly recommended in the Affordable Housing Report. He commented that the ordinances were established for good reasons, but believed there were also good reasons for the idea of a cottage-type development with regard to pursuing an affordable housing goal. When someone, such as Mr. Ziv, was willing to be progressive, he felt they should consider the use of CDBG funds or something similar to help them make the development happen. He thought they should subsidize some of the expenses. He pointed out that after they were done, they might decide not do this again because it was not workable, might come up with a cottage-type ordinance that took these things into consideration or might decide a policy for subsidization was needed. He noted he was not suggesting they make a policy decision. He felt they had an opportunity and if they did not take advantage, it might be a long time before someone came forward with this kind of idea again. He suggested they ask staff to look at what might be done to make this a doable project. He thought they should keep records and determine what changes would be needed based upon the experiences. He reiterated this project looked exactly like the recommendation in the Affordable Housing Report and believed they should see if they could make the project work. In addition, he was convinced it was a good project, which people would like once it was put in. He thought that would help further the possibilities of having others in other parts of town.

Mr. Skala stated he concurred with Mayor Hindman's analysis and noted he had been frustrated at the outset because he thought there was a consensus among the Council. He understood there was an opportunity for exceptions, but was not sure they wanted to go there. He agreed with the idea of providing incentives for this test case so they could learn and devise a cottage-type ordinance to encourage this type of development in the future. He did not think anyone wanted to see that property developed as R-2 with another duplex as this was much more innovative. He understood this being a planned unit development put it in the category of different type of development, which had different rules. If they could learn from this test project, he thought they could devise an ordinance that made some sense and encouraged this type of in-fill development in the future. He noted he was in support of Mayor Hindman's suggestion.

Ms. Hoppe asked if there were any CDBG funds available. Mr. Teddy replied the owner could apply for a program called neighborhood homeownership assistance. Mr. Janku asked if that was for new construction. Mr. Teddy replied there was homeownership assistance and neighborhood development, which was new construction. Mr. Sturtz asked about the timetable for funding. Mr. Teddy replied it was an existing program. Mr. Sturtz asked how long it would be before funds were available if the application was submitted next month. Mr. Teddy replied he was not sure, but thought it would be a couple of months. Mr. Janku asked for the standards for qualifying for funding. Mr. Teddy replied there were income requirements. Mr. Janku understood if they provided CDBG funds, the purchasers of

the homes would have to meet those income levels, which met the goal of affordable housing.

Mr. Ziv commented that he thought the program Mr. Teddy was speaking about was an incentive for the homeowner. It was not an incentive for the developer. It was an end result. He noted he hoped to also use that program. He explained he could not have the additional \$17,000-\$20,000 expense in building these homes.

Mr. Janku thought the developer could apply for those funds. Mr. Ziv replied he would apply for it for the end user. It was not funding he could use for construction. Mr. Watkins wondered what the difference was. Mr. Skala agreed if it eventually saved money. Mr. Ziv explained he would have to add the cost to the end. It did not help him pay for up-front costs. If the economy remained bad, he could lose money if he had to negotiate down to sell them and if they took advantage of the program.

Mayor Hindman explained he was proposing that staff work with the developer in looking at the programs the City had and provide ideas as to how they might be able to make the project work. He understood they might not have anything, but they would have at least looked and had the information. He noted they were not going to bend the rules.

Mr. Skala understood the difficulty was that the rules being applied to the cottage development were the subdivision rules instead of the R-2 rules. Mr. Ziv stated that was correct. Mr. Skala understood he was subject to more requirements since it was not R-2 and was considered a subdivision. He asked if there was anything the Council could do, such as looking at the ordinances down the line. Mayor Hindman replied they had asked for a report on that, but it would be very time consuming. Mr. Ziv stated that would solve his problems. Mayor Hindman explained that was a big policy decision, which they were going to work on. He did not think he would be able to wait for them to make those policy decisions as it would involve a lot of work and time. Mr. Ziv asked if the Council could make a one-time decision to learn from. Mayor Hindman replied they would wait on the recommendation from the staff.

Mayor Hindman made a motion directing staff to work with the developer in looking at the programs the City had and to provide recommendations as to how they might be able to make the project work. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sturtz.

Mr. Sturtz asked if the main issue they were trying to deal with was the difference between the 6-inch and 8-inch pipe. Mr. Ziv replied that was only one of the issues. Mr. Sturtz understood there were a variety of issues.

Mr. Ziv asked who he would work with. Mayor Hindman replied staff. Mr. Ziv asked if it would then come back to the Council. Mayor Hindman replied yes. Mr. Skala noted they would be provided the recommendations.

The motion made by Mayor Hindman and seconded by Mr. Sturtz was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mayor Hindman commented that a new hotel, the Hampton Inn, was built at College and Stadium, but there was no sidewalk along Stadium or Rock Quarry. In addition, the landscaping was minimal at best, which he assumed met the requirement. Mr. Glascock explained the sidewalk was part of the GetAbout project, so the City accepted a bond and allowed them to obtain their certificate of occupancy. It would be part of the overall sidewalk

along that corridor through campus. Once it was designed, it would be constructed. He noted they were talking to the University and understood the University wanted to do the work.

Ms. Hoppe asked if the pedway going down Stadium to the east by the Hampton Inn toward College would continue down south on Rock Quarry. Mr. Glascock replied it would go down to the side street, which was off of Rock Quarry.

Ms. Hoppe thought she had asked GetAbout to look at constructing a pedway further down Rock Quarry for a connection. Mayor Hindman commented that when the projects were voted on, it was not included. Ms. Hoppe did not think that one had been proposed. Mayor Hindman understood, but noted they had already voted. Ms. Hoppe clarified she wanted it looked at as a project down the road. Mayor Hindman noted there would be a lot of competing projects. Ms. Hoppe asked if that was being considered by GetAbout. Mr. Glascock replied not at this time. He stated it would need to be added to the CIP if she wanted it to be looked into.

Mr. Sturtz commended the First Night organizers as they did a lot on very little money from the City. He understood some people were upset because it was not a free event and pointed out there was a lot more to putting on an event than just City funds. He thought it was an unrealistic expectation for it to be a free event to everyone based upon getting some funds from the City. He suggested it be on the table for future years if it was a Council priority. He noted he was impressed by the sincere efforts of the organizers to reach out to people who could not afford to get in. He understood they distributed a lot of free passes to the Voluntary Action Center and other places.

Mr. Sturtz stated he had recently been to the Greyhound on Big Bear Boulevard and although he did not want to impugn any business as a lot of great people worked there, he thought the environment would be much better if they were at the Wabash. He understood that had been discussed and asked for an update on a way to lure them downtown. Mr. Glascock replied they had tried. He noted the Megabus came into the Wabash and went to Kansas City and Chicago. He stated he was not advocating the Megabus, but pointed out they did have bus service at the Wabash. Mr. Sturtz understood the reason Greyhound did not provide service at the Wabash was because it did not have a snack bar. Mr. Glascock stated that was correct. They needed food service. Mr. Sturtz commented that the Greyhound Station was not open more than ten minutes before a bus was scheduled to leave, so he did not understand how the snack machine could be the main issue.

Mr. Janku noted there had been comments in the paper about the Oakland Gravel/Vandiver intersection and agreed it was troublesome due to the increased traffic that had developed. He understood staff was looking at solutions and asked if the Council could be provided a report. This would allow the public to know it was being looked into and the potential costs involved. Mr. Watkins noted the obvious solution would be to eliminate left turns, but it would likely not be acceptable. Mr. Janku asked if a round-a-bout would be appropriate. Mr. Watkins stated staff would look at that as well, but pointed out the railroad

tracks were in close proximity to Route B, so it was a difficult intersection. He explained they were looking at moving roads back, diverting traffic, etc.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to provide a report regarding potential solutions to the Oakland Gravel/Vandiver intersection. He noted they might need to include it on a future ballot issue or find some outside funding. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hoppe and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Janku noted the Council would vote on the annexation of property owned by the Anderson's at the next meeting and had participated in negotiations over a long period of time in order to acquire the land. He commented that the part of the Bear Creek Trail, from Blue Ridge to Lange Middle School, was not finished and suggested staff begin discussions with the property owner(s) to determine if the necessary land could be acquired. He thought they might eventually be successful in getting a grant to link that portion of the trail to the school.

Mr. Janku made a motion authorizing staff to begin negotiations with property owner(s) of land that could be used for the Bear Creek Trail, from Blue Ridge to Lange Middle School. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hoppe and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Janku noted there was no sidewalk on the east side of Bernadette next to the water distribution pumping station on Ash Street. He assumed the property was on the outskirts of the City when the plant was built. It was now a connection to the Ash Street sidewalk, which lead to The ARC and Gerbes. Mayor Hindman asked for clarification on the distance of the gap. Mr. Janku replied it would be from Ash to the Westlake's sidewalk. It would just be the portion adjacent to City-owned property.

Mr. Janku made a motion directing staff to look at funding the sidewalk gap along the City-owned property on the east side of Bernadette near Westlake's as part of the CIP Plan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Skala stated he was recently contacted by a few constituents regarding the Mexico Gravel improvements. He understood they were proceeding with Phase I, but had questions regarding Phase II and the grading of property as there would be a crown on the road, which would be about 3.5 feet high. He suggested staff provide a report regarding the reasoning behind the crown as it might make it difficult for some people to access their property.

Mr. Skala made a motion directing staff to provide a report regarding the reasoning for grading the land so there would be a 3.5 foot high crown on Mexico Gravel Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Janku and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Skala stated he had questions regarding bicycle and pedestrian access to Ballenger Road. He understood it might take time due to the multiple jurisdictions on that road, but recalled striping Rice Road to Hanover as part of the GetAbout project as an alternate route. It had not happened yet, so he was wondering if it was on the plan and when it might occur. Mr. Watkins stated he did not know, but would check into it.

Mr. Skala understood several sizable trees had been removed at Stephens Lake Park due to building the amphitheater. He thought the e-mail, which provided the justification for

doing this included discussion of the possibility of bringing some of these decisions to the attention of the Council prior to moving forward. He visited the site and thought they might lose some more trees due to trenching. Although it might be inevitable and justified, he wanted to be reassured and be able to reassure other people that everything was being thought through and done carefully.

Mr. Skala made a motion directing staff to provide a report with solutions to the situation of removing larger trees that might be significant to many people and provided a lot of character. The motion was seconded by Mr. Janku and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Skala commented that he was asked by a reporter as to whether the City would participate in the sales tax holiday. He understood that if they wanted make a formal decision on the issue, a draft ordinance would need to be written, so they could act upon it in time to send it to the State. If that was correct, he suggested a draft ordinance be prepared for Council review.

Mr. Janku asked if he was suggesting it be reviewed prior to being introduced. Mr. Skala replied he was not sure they had time. Mr. Janku understood he wanted it on the agenda. Mr. Skala stated that was correct. Mr. Janku asked when the deadline was. Mr. Skala replied he thought it was in early March. Mr. Boeckmann stated he did not recall and noted it would have to be done by ordinance.

Mr. Watkins understood he was asking for an ordinance to be prepared and put on the agenda. Mr. Skala replied yes. Mayor Hindman asked if it would be a positive or negative ordinance. Mr. Watkins replied it had to be a positive ordinance. He explained if they did nothing, the City would not be participating. If the Council elected to opt in, it had to be done by ordinance.

Mr. Skala made a motion directing staff to prepare an ordinance regarding the sales tax holiday. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hoppe.

Mr. Skala stated he was torn on this issue. Generally speaking, they tended to not to opt into these things and the economy was suggesting they not purposefully try to lose anymore sales tax dollars. On the other hand, they were talking about energy savings for the long term. He was not sure what the eventual payback would be. He was not sure how the rest of the Council felt, but thought they should have the opportunity to make the determination.

Mr. Janku suggested the ordinance be accompanied by information regarding the savings to the individual and a projection of sales tax. Mr. Watkins stated he was not sure they had a good way to project lost revenues. Mr. Janku noted they had talked about a rebate with the Integrated Resources Plan as an alternative. If they decided to not go forward with the sales tax, it might be another positive option.

The motion made by Mr. Skala and seconded by Ms. Hoppe was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Nauser commented that she had the opportunity to look over some old information in regard to the last time they tried to pass a curfew ordinance and included was a report from the Police Department dated around February of 2002, which provided information and

recommendations. She wanted that report updated with current data. She suggested they contact the Sheriff's Office and Juvenile Office to obtain more accurate data. She noted in one of the papers she had presented, she had listed all of the communities around Columbia that had curfew ordinances. She wanted staff to start compiling those ordinances along with ordinances from Kansas City, St. Louis and Springfield, so they could get a feel for what other communities were doing.

Ms. Nauser made a motion directing staff to provide an update to the February 2002 report completed by the Police Department, to include data from the Sheriff and Juvenile Offices, and to provide a compilation of the curfew ordinances of Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield and the communities around Columbia she had listed in her paper. The motion was seconded by Mayor Hindman and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Skala noted a report had been previously requested with regard to curfew and truancy information and asked for that information to be added to this report, so they would have a comprehensive report.

Ms. Hoppe commented that a motion had already been made regarding the removal of trees at Stephens Lake Park due to the amphitheater and noted many people had stated they had planned to sit under the large center tree when the amphitheater opened. She noted she had not yet read the e-mail, but pointed out those trees were on the plan on the website, so she was shocked they were removed.

Ms. Hoppe understood the dedication plaque for the Albert-Oakland Pool, which had the name of the pool and the names of the Council Members at the time the pool was constructed, had been removed during renovations to the pool.

Ms. Hoppe made a motion directing staff to provide a report regarding the location of the plaque and whether it could be reinstalled at Albert-Oakland Pool. The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Hoppe made a motion directing staff to add a pedway or bike lane going down Rock Quarry Road, from College and Stadium, to the CIP. It would connect with Capen Park, which was used by a lot of people and was a dangerous area without any clear markings. Since there would be a pedway on Stadium going to College, she felt that would be a natural progression and would connect with the trail system. The motion was seconded by Mr. Janku and approved unanimously by voice vote.

Ms. Hoppe understood the City was adding a GIS tracking system to some Public Works Department trucks and asked if it would also be used for buses. Mr. Glascock replied he thought that was the intent for the future. The next system for the Public Works Department would be solid waste trucks. Ms. Hoppe noted they would then know where a bus was at any particular time. She explained she had received a lot of comments indicating it would be helpful to know how off schedule a route was if the buses were not running on time.

Ms. Hoppe stated she had attended and enjoyed First Night and had tried to get others to attend, but was not too successful. Many had not gone in the last couple of years, so she

asked why and was told it seemed to be a lot of the same things over and over again. For some people that was great, but in order to attract more people, she suggested they expand the Board in order to obtain new ideas or themes as that was recommended by those she had asked. She asked that those comments be shared with the organizers of First Night.

Mayor Hindman noted they had not completed their business in the closed meeting held earlier, so they needed to have another closed meeting in the future.

Mayor Hindman made the motion for the Council to hold closed meeting on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the fourth floor conference room of the Daniel Boone Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, to discuss a personnel matter as authorized by Section 610.021(3) and (13) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Skala with the vote recorded as follows: VOTING YES: NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, JANKU, SKALA. VOTING NO: NO ONE. ABSENT: WADE.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheela Amin City Clerk