

MINUTES
SPECIAL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – COLUMBIA, MISSOURI
FEBRUARY 15, 2010

INTRODUCTORY

The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri met for a special session at 6:10 p.m., on Monday, February 15, 2010, in the Council Chamber in the Daniel Boone Building of the City of Columbia, Missouri. The roll was taken with the following results: Council Members WADE, NAUSER, HOPPE, HINDMAN, STURTZ, THORNHILL and SKALA were present. The City Manager, City Counselor, City Clerk and various Department Heads were also present.

DECOMMISSIONING/COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

Mayor Hindman thanked everyone for attending the last meeting in this Council Chamber and noted the first Council meeting in this Chamber had been held on October 4, 1976. He explained the room, which started off as a ballroom, would be dismantled and turned into two floors of office space. The Daniel Boone Building would be gutted and renovated from floors 2 through 5 to provide modern, energy-efficient office space. In addition, the exterior would be restored, as much as possible, to its original color and look, which would blend well with the new building when done.

Mayor Hindman noted the City Hall addition and renovation was in many ways led under the stewardship of the Public Building Development and Finance Committee. He thanked those that served on that Committee.

Bob Roper, Chair of the Public Building Development and Finance Committee, noted the Committee was established in May or June of 2000, and he thanked the members that had served. He explained the goal was to alleviate the overcrowding and to turn the area into a campus setting where business could be done efficiently. It had started with the Sanford-Kimpton Health Building, was followed by the Gentry and Howard Buildings, and now new building next door. He hoped within two years, the renovation of the Daniel Boone Building would be done. When completed, he thought they would have something wonderful for the City. He recognized the City employees who had worked in the Daniel Boone Building as they had endured overcrowding and poor working relationships for far too long without complaint and with great professionalism.

Mayor Hindman read the decommissioning proclamation, which gave the history of the Daniel Boone Building, asked staff to remove the items displayed in the room, called on the Columbia Fire Department Honor Guard to place the United States and Missouri flags in the new Chamber and called on everyone to assemble in the City Hall addition to commission the new Chamber.

Upon arrival, the Honor Guard placed the flags in the new Chamber, Chief Markgraf provided an invocation, Kathy Cox sang the National Anthem, and Chief Markgraf led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Watkins then presented a gavel made from wood from the dais in the old Council Chamber to Mayor Hindman.

There being no further business, Mayor Hindman used the new gavel to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheela Amin
City Clerk