

Pre-Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 4, 2006
Fourth Floor Conference Room, Daniel-Boone Building, 6:00 p.m.

Council Members present: Mayor Hindman, Almeta Crayton, Chris Janku, Bob Hutton, Jim Loveless, Laura Nauser, and Barbara Hoppe

City Manager Bill Watkins and other city staff members were present.

City Manager Bill Watkins reviewed the following items:

- ✓ The last public presentation of the draft Sidewalk Master Plan will be held on Wednesday, December 6, Mill Creek Elementary, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., in the media center.
- ✓ Visioning events: **BIG Meeting #2 – rescheduled**; Thursday, Dec. 7 – 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.; Performing Arts Center; Rockbridge High School - 4303 S. Providence.
- ✓ Wednesday, December 13 and Saturday, December 16, interested parties meetings on the sewer master plan.
- ✓ Wednesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m., City Council Chamber, Third public forum – City/University/Stephens downtown plan. Mr. Watkins asked if the Council would like a presentation by the consultant, Sasaki, at the January 8th work session. The Council indicated they would.
- ✓ Emergency contact cards were distributed to Council.

Federal Project List: Ms. Paula Hertwig Hopkins reviewed the 2007 Federal Priority Project List (3rd draft). Councilman Janku asked that Phase I and Phase II of the Bear Creek Trail be switched if the library decides to designate the north library site.

Safe Routes to School and Surface Transportation Enhancement Grant: Mr. Teddy indicated that his department was coordinating the application process for the following programs: Safe Routes to School and Surface Transportation Enhancement Grant announcements. He stated there was a detailed report on tonight's agenda regarding the Safe Routes to School program. The deadline is January 31, 2007 and tonight's action includes setting a public hearing for the next Council meeting. Mr. Teddy indicated there is approximately \$2.43M available in District 5 for STP funding and applications will be made available around February 1, 2007. He reviewed those projects that have received funding in the past. There is an 80/20 match and applications are tentatively due on May 18. Council asked about the possibility of radar signs and flashing yellow lights as a possible project. Mr. Teddy thought this may qualify for a Safe Routes to School project. He indicated he would look into it.

Mr. Watkins provided an update on the citizen survey process. He indicated that we're in the process of soliciting proposals and asked if Council had any questions or topic areas they'd like included in the survey. He indicated a draft survey would be forwarded to them. Councilmember Hoppe requested a copy of the last survey.

Mr. Watkins indicated that the City Manager's contract stipulates an evaluation in January. He asked if Council had a preference as to when that took place – January 2 pre-Council or January 8 work session. Council indicated either date was fine.

Ash and Clinkscates Land Use Proposals: Mr. Mike Hood reviewed the different land use proposals for the Ash/Clinkscates property. He referred to a memo to Council dated July 11, 2006 which contains a more detailed analysis of the pros/cons of the proposals.

Council discussed the master plan for the property and what, if any, obligation was made to the voters during a previous ballot issue campaign. Council indicated they would like Parks/Rec staff to review alternative locations for an ice rink and report back to Council. Council asked staff to move forward with a public hearing on the P/R recommendation.

Mr. Watkins pointed out a snow route map and previous issue of city source was handed out tonight. He indicated the snow routes are reviewed every year and we're also pulling together a group to review what else we can do in this area. This issue will be brought forward during budget discussions.