

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING, FEBRUARY 25, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Council Members present: Diane Graber, Rod Sankey, Ron Wood, Scott Nelson. Council Members absent: Mike Kuhle (excused).

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk, Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering (7:31 p.m.); Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development (7:31 pm.).

Others present: Justine Wettschreck, KWOA; Aaron Hagen, Daily Globe; delegation for the pool petition.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**AGENDA APPROVED**

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Nelson and unanimously carried to close the agenda as presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

The motion was made by Council Member Nelson, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- City Council Minutes of Regular Meeting February 11, 2013
- Worthington Area Convention and Visitors Board of Directors Minutes of January 14, 2013
- Request for street closure for the 2013 International Festival to block the following streets from 12:00 noon on Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup> to midnight on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, for the International Festival:
  - Third Avenue between Ninth and Tenth Streets
  - Fourth Avenue between Ninth and Tenth Streets
- Amendment to increase the 2013 Lake Improvement Budget by \$5,500 for the costs for the rip-rap work northeast of Vogt Park, with funds from the \$51,500 of reserves earmarked for the rip-rap at Slater Park
- Bills payable and totaling \$835,176.40 be ordered paid

**PRESENTATION OF PETITION FOR OUTDOOR POOL**

At this time Jay Larson, Mike Smith, Sally Darling, and Carla Thuringer, representing the “Citizens Pooling Together” group, came forward to read a statement and present a petition to Council requesting consideration of a new outdoor pool facility. The group’s opinion is that the new YMCA facility is not big enough to accommodate all the youth who want to swim in the summer. Mr. Smith said they were specifically asking that 1) Council discuss the petition and its rationale, 2) that the

City secure the site of the old city pool for a future outdoor pool, and 3) the City moves forward in the next three to four months with an on-line survey available for residents to provide direct input to Council of what they feel is important to Worthington. Council and staff provided information on usage and maintenance costs of the former outdoor pool compared to the new Aquatic Center pool, and what the projected impact to property taxes would be to build another outdoor facility. Following discussion, the group said they would be amenable to the idea of expanding the outdoor pool component at the Y facility as opposed to rebuilding on the old outdoor pool site. Council agreed they would look at the issue.

Mayor Oberloh thanked the group for bringing their petition forward. Craig Clark, City Administrator, noted going forward would require a referendum bond by a vote of the public.

**ON SALE LIQUOR, WINE, ON-SALE BEER, OFF-SALE BEER, AND DANCE LICENSE APPLICATIONS APPROVED - HEATHER JO STEELE, THE TAP, 107 12<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Graber and unanimously carried to approve the following license applications for Heather Jo Steele, The Tap, 107 12<sup>th</sup> Street:

On-Sale Liquor	License period February 26, 2013 through June 30, 2013
On-Sale Wine	License period February 26, 2013 through June 30, 2013
On-Sale Beer	License period February 26, 2013 through December 31, 2013
Off-Sale Beer	License period February 26, 2013 through December 31, 2013
Dance	License period February 26, 2013 through December 31, 2013

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT APPROVED FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY - GATEWAY DRIVE AREA INFRASTRUCTURE**

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, related to Council that the recent completion of the new/realigned TH 59/60 project left an area bounded by that highway and between East and West Gateway Drive, within the corporate limits of the city that is not completely addressed by the current infrastructure master plans and comprehensive guide. Staff conducted an initial review of the water distribution, sanitary sewer and storm water systems and/or system plans to determine the capability and implications of serving that area, but a more comprehensive evaluation is warranted, along with an amendment to the existing master plans. There has been some interest in developing one corner of that area.

Staff solicited proposals from two firms familiar with City standards and infrastructure issues - Bolton and Menk, and SEH. The request was for a specific proposal for the initial study work, but also sought to obtain hourly rates for subsequent design and construction phases and to establish availability of resources to undertake any subsequent work in a timely manner. Both proposals

offered the services needed, however, the fees for SEH services were notably higher than those of Bolton and Menk.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Graber and unanimously carried to approve the proposal from Bolton and Menk for a feasibility study regarding the infrastructure master planning for the specified area, at the proposed fee of \$12,948, and to authorize execution of the contract subject to review and approval of the City Attorney and having the terms and conditions consistent with the current contract between the City and the firm.

**PLANS FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY DE-CHLORINATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT APPROVED**

At their November 26, 2012 meeting, Council approved a contract with Donohue and Associates to prepare plans and specifications for installation of improvements at both the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Facility and the Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility, that will allow compliance under the 2011 issued NPDES discharge permits requiring discharge chlorine limits to be met in April of 2014. Plans and specifications for both facilities have now been completed.

The total estimated cost for the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant portion is \$160,000 including contingencies and engineering, with a total amount budgeted for the project of \$167,8900 in Sewer Utility Fund reserves.

The total estimated cost for the Industrial Wastewater Treatment Plant portion of the project including contingencies but not engineering costs, is \$128,500. The Industrial Wastewater Treatment Fund budget includes \$130,000 for de-chlorination improvements at the facility. Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, noted that engineering costs of \$21,700 will come out of the amount budgeted for professional services.

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Nelson and unanimously carried to approve the plans for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements.

**CONTRACT AWARDED FOR AUDIO/VISUAL SYSTEM AT WORTHINGTON EVENT CENTER**

The following quotes were received at 2:00 p.m. on February 22, 2013 for the Audio/Visual system at the Worthington Event Center:

\_\_\_\_\_ Base \_\_\_\_\_ Bid Bid

<u>Quoter</u>	<u>Bid</u>	<u>Alt. #1</u>	<u>Alt. #2</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>	<u>Guar.</u>
Commercial A/V	\$50,247.08	\$3,124.47	N/A	None	X
Dascom Systems Group*	\$63,440.00	\$5,364.00	\$4,857.00	None	X
Marco, Inc.	\$63,783.46	\$3,904.00	\$2,755.00	\$4,269.05	X
Tierney Bros.	\$60,967.17	\$1,225.28	\$ 953.11	None	X
Reach Communications	\$49,967.00	N/A	N/A	None	X

\*Company submitted 5 additional alternates it recommended at a cost of \$62,306

Staff was requesting that Council award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Reach Communications, contingent on successful due diligence of the bids being completed by staff.

The motion was made by Council Member Graber and seconded by Council Member Wood to award the contract for the A/V system at the Event Center to Reach Communications as the lowest qualified quoter in the amount of \$49,967.00, contingent on successful completion of due diligence of the quote by staff. Following comment by Council, Council Member Graber amended her motion to include authorization to Craig Clark, City Administrator, to approve the next lowest bid if something is found during staff's research. Council Member Wood seconded the amendment and the motion was unanimously carried.

**CONTRACT AWARDED FOR WORTHINGTON EVENT CENTER FURNITURE/FIXTURES/EQUIPMENT (FF&E)**

The following bids were received on February 22, 2013 for the Worthington Event Center FF& E:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Kitchen FF&amp; E</u>	<u>Non-Kitchen FF&amp;E</u>	<u>All Inclusive</u>	<u>Bid Guar.</u>
Davis Typewriter		\$114,461.21		X
Culinex			\$254,065.83	X
Rapids FoodServices			\$235,577.15*	X

\*Incomplete Bid

Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development, noted that the bid from the apparent low bidder, Rapids FoodServices, was incomplete and it was his recommendation to throw out that bid and award to Culinex as the next low qualified bid in the amount of \$254,065.83.

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Sankey and unanimously carried to award the bid for the Worthington Event Center FF&E to Culinex as the low qualified bidder in the amount of \$254,065.83.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Mayor Oberloh - He and Craig Clark attended a CVB/Chamber/City group meeting - they've scheduled the Worthington Event Center grand opening for Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. A public walk-through will be held on that following Sunday. The group will be meeting every couple of weeks now until they get it all set up.

Council Member Graber - Attended a Heron Lake Watershed meeting - was impressed - they discussed a flood control feasibility study - looking for a dam proposal - they've received grants for three projects. Also attended a Public Arts Commission meeting but no quorum was present. The YMCA Committee will be discussing the proposed tax on memberships. Attended the LMC's orientation for newly elected officials with Rod Sankey - very well presented. The Memorial Auditorium Advisory Board continued their discussion on concern about event attendance, and the ceiling/rigging/chair repair/replacement issues. They've had a request to install some larger chairs and are in the process of obtaining costs.

Council Member Sankey - attended a SRDC meeting - they have plenty of money available for business expansion or new business in the 9-County district.

Council Member Wood - nothing to report.

Council Member Nelson - Attended a CVB meeting - they would like to be involved with the Event Center - the CVB has marketing dollars available - they would like a Council member to sit in with them for the Event Center on a separate committee.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Craig Clark, City Administrator, noted the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities got word out to us inviting members to a meeting regarding the JOBZ replacement and LGA formula - looking for input from Greater Minnesota Legislators - he encouraged Hamilton and Weber to put it on their calendars. We're working internally on the final draft of the Master Plan - should be forthcoming.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Sankey and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Janice Oberloh, MCMC  
City Clerk