

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 11, 2014**

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: Mike Kuhle, Diane Graber, Rod Sankey, Ron Wood, Scott Nelson.

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development; Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

Others present: Randy Thompson, Carl Nagel, Brenda Hurlburt, Lori Petersen, Nicole Bonsma, Darlene Vortherms, Kayla Cox, Stephanie Christian, Cheryl Schuett, Ken and Zuby Jansen, Eric Lindner, Abraham Algadi, Mike Johnson, Steve Johnson, Kim Collin, Jason Vote, Jorge Lopez, Detasha Place, Tim Johnson, Brad Meester.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING - SALE OF A PORTION OF LOT 1, BLOCK 1, WORTHINGTON BIO SCIENCE INDUSTRIAL PARK ADDITION

At their July 28, 2014 regular meeting, Council held a public hearing on a request from the owner of PurNet, Inc., a local medical device and supply purchase/sales company, to purchase a portion of Lot 1, Block 1, Worthington BioScience Industrial Park Addition. After holding the hearing, Council voted to continue the hearing to the August 11, 2014 Council meeting so the terms of the proposed purchase could be finalized.

The motion was made by Council Member Graber, seconded by Council Member Kuhle and unanimously carried to re-open the hearing.

Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development, provided background information on the purchase request from PurNet, Inc., who is requesting to purchase the east 305 feet of Lot 1, Block 1 of the Worthington BioScience Industrial Park Addition through the City's established land acquisition policy. PurNet is intending to construct a 10,000 square foot office building for its company's office operations, and wants to acquire enough land to allow for the construction of an additional 10,000 square feet of office space in the future. The established asking price for the 2.76 acres of land is \$250,000, or \$2.08 per square foot - that price was established by City Council last summer. Using the established asking price for the entire parcel, the asking price for the East 305 feet of said property (69,860 square feet) would be \$145,309. The property is located in the City's Bioscience Industrial Park, the purpose of which is to provide development opportunities for bioscience related companies. While zoning regulations allow for retail/commercial/office development on the park's lots abutting US Hwy. 59, Mr. Chapulis reminded Council that the long term vision for those lots is to provide commercial/hospitality development opportunities that compliment/support the park's bioscience businesses, capture the visibility and accessibility of the property from Hwy 59, extend the synergy started with the developments of Comfort Suites, Worthington Event Center, Biotechnology Advancement Center and Prairie Holdings Group, and

leverage the said investments to attract additional bioscience companies. PurNet representatives were informed of the City's goal/objectives for the lot in question and were presented alternative sites, both privately and City owned, that would accommodate their immediate and long term needs. Given their time line for construction, they were not interested in them, nor were they interested in additional alternate sites. Interior lots of the BioScience Park east of Biotech Drive are restricted for bioscience related companies only per the City's grant agreement with DEED, which was the funding source for the Park's build out.

The City's Land Acquisition Policy allows for the actual sale price of real estate to be reduced by the present value of the property taxes generated by a new facility over a twenty year period at a 6.5% rate of return. The present value is then structured as a forgivable loan to comply with the State Statute as well as protect the City's financial interest in the property. Using schematic building plans submitted by the company and information from the Nobles County Assessor, staff determined a sale under the Land Acquisition Policy would be structured as follows: \$3,189 cash at closing with the remaining \$142,120 financed through a forgivable loan. PurNet was requesting the that purchase price be established at the same value as the forgivable loan.

The proposed sale is considered a business subsidy under Minnesota Statute 116J.994, therefore, the transaction must meet a public purpose other than tax base. Creation of full-time jobs qualifies as a public purpose under our Business Subsidy Policy. In conjunction with the real estate transaction, PurNet would be required to create 7 FTE positions above and beyond the 20 FTE they currently have within two years of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy for the proposed structure.

After holding public hearing required by State Statute, Council must determine if they are interested in selling this lot (or a portion thereof) for the intended purpose, and if so, would they approve the use of the land acquisition policy. Mr. Chapulis said options before the Council at this time are to approve the company's proposal as presented, propose a counter offer, or reject it, and added that any motion for approval or counter offer should include the following items at a minimum:

1. Establish a legal description of the subject property that would be considered for sale- the company has requested the East 305 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Worthington BioScience Industrial Park Addition;
2. Establish a sale price as well as the financial terms of the sale - Establish the final sale price and determine if the land acquisition policy is applicable. If structured as a forgivable loan, the loan term should be for 20 years with an interest rate of 5%;
3. Have an established Level of Proposed Improvements if applicable (Mr. Chapulis said this was very important)- Should a sale include the use of the land acquisition policy, the company must agree to construct building improvements that will have an estimated market value for tax purposes of at least \$746,100 and that the improvements are commenced within 12 months and completed within 24 months. This value was utilized to determine the value of the forgivable loan;

4. Job Creation - As previously stated, a transaction that does not reflect a market sale or if the sale is financed by the City, it is considered a subsidy by State Statute. The subsidy must serve a public purpose other than increase of the tax base. The company must agree to create a minimum of 7 FTE jobs with a minimum wage of at least \$10 per hour, exclusive of benefits. The company must fill these positions within two years as well as maintain its existing 20 FTE positions during the same period;
5. PurNet is not relieved of the actual sale price until such time the project is completed; and
6. PurNet agrees to the terms and conditions of the contract for deed, loan agreement, and development agreement.

The proposal is for the east 305 feet of the lot, or 1.6 acres of the total 2.7 acres of the lot, leaving 1.1 acres.

Council Member Wood expressed concern that we would not follow the vision Council had established for that land. While he supports the company's growth, they don't require the same level of visibility as say a restaurant would. Council Member Kuhle supported the vision but would be willing to compromise by using the east side of the lot with frontage - doesn't want to see the lot sit empty 5-10 years from now and the business leaves. Council Member Graber said PurNet's proposal appeals to her - local business, local employees. Council Member Nelson added he is in favor of it but perhaps PurNet could compromise and scale back. Mayor Oberloh said he did not want to see us with a 1 acre grassy lot that was too small for any business. Council Member Sankey said it may be too small for them a few years down the road - he proposed we allow the area for the one building with option up to the 305 feet and maybe in 4-5 years they'll realize they need to go somewhere else. Council discussed options for making the remaining lot more usable, including a shared drive and parking.

Mayor Oberloh asked if there was anyone who wanted to provide testimony:

Abraham Algadi - Much of this debate could be saved if you adopted subdivision regulations - do you have subdivision regulations?

Brad Chapulis - Yes we do.

Mr. Algadi - Do they have standards on that minimum lot size?

Mr. Chapulis - Of course they do.

Mr. Algadi - Does the resulting lot that would be subdivided as a result of this action, which is a different procedure altogether, meet that standard?

Mr. Chapulis - It does.

Mr. Algadi - Okay - second - and this is really an important thing - while the lot that is being reserved, the lot that is proposed to be reserved, and deemed as complimentary for, or an accessory use if you will, was already in the bio business park in that area, it really is not subject to the same restrictions as the bio business park. I know that's not what everybody is saying, I just want to clarify that - that the only regulatory control imposed on that lot is the commercial land, correct?

Mr. Chapulis - The property is within a PUD that is broken down into three areas. The area in question allows for most commercial activities and office activities.

Mr. Algadi - Okay - the other thing really, so the office activity is obviously allowable there, so like Brad said, this is not an issue of regulatory control on the zoning, but rather owner control. The difference here is that we're not talking about two different private owners, we're talking about the City leaders, the City itself being the owner that spent a lot of money and a lot of resources to acquire those parcels, to develop those parcels using primarily public tax payer dollars for the exact same wish we are, for the exact same action we are trying to entertain tonight - that is expanding and promoting a locally grown business. So the question is obviously, deals with detail of how you plan on doing that as a Council. The more important thing that I would urge, again not speaking on behalf of myself, or on behalf of the business, but speaking on behalf of WREDC, and that is this - we urge you to approve it, once we get over the details of the issues that you are identifying, for the sake of sending the right message. We're not talking about fuel tanks here, we're talking about a building that will have very fitting architectural style, that will fit with the rest of the development, it fits the zoning, the land zoning, and Council Member Graber brought up it generates activity for future, basically brings customers to happen there at a later date. And I think in my view it will send the right message. So we drive out on the highway, on I-90, you're going to see a bunch of people hammering away at something and wonder what's going on there - maybe this is a cool place to come and invest at. We urge you to approve it. Thanks.

Stephanie Christian - I've worked for PurNet for five years, I am their contract supervisor, I moved my family to Worthington a year and a half ago to work for PurNet and one of the things my husband and I were drawn to when we were staying on the I-90 corridor trying to decide whether to move to town is the activity we saw on the other businesses there and the people coming and going. I feel that having this building in this location shows other people as they come by Worthington, and as they stay at Worthington that this is growing community. There's businesses here, there's people working here in nice buildings and it brings people to our town and makes them want to stay.

Darlene Vortherms - Guys thank you so much for your time tonight - a you can see I brought a lot of my employees along because they really support what we've done. We have a strong solid foundation with wonderful employees that work for me. I just want to help Worthington grow - as PurNet grows you guys will grow. Tax base will grow. I just think that, like Abraham said, you go on 59 you go on I-90 you see progress. I travel all over the United States, I see new buildings and, wow, what are the city fathers doing, they're doing something right. I want people to drive by 59 and 90 and say they're doing something right. I really want your vote and will work with you guys on the parking lot - I have no problem with that at all.

Ms. Vortherms noted she had spoken to her architect to shrink the project but he said she really needed 1.6 acres.

The motion was made by Council Member Sankey, seconded by Council Member Graber and

unanimously carried to close the hearing.

Council Member Wood stated the one thing he wanted on the action is to modify the legal description such that there is a legal description that takes that section that is an opening on the north side, on BioScience Drive, become a common area, a permanent easement so when we get to where something is going to be in the front lot those parking places will count towards their requirements. Mr. Chapulis said they would turn to Mark Shepherd to draft something that would protect the long term interest in that property. Council Member Nelson said he would like to see the wage level at \$12 per hour.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Kuhle, seconded by Council Member Graber and unanimously carried to approve the request for the sale of the lot to PurNet with the changes for the shared parking, the six requirements as provided by staff with the change of the wage to \$12 per hour, and the addition of a seventh item of Execution of an ingress/egress agreement.

PUBLIC HEARING ON GRAND AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS BY STREET AND SIDEWALK EXTENSIONS

Pursuant to published notice, this was the time and date set for a public hearing on Grand Avenue improvements by street and sidewalk extensions.

The motion was made by Council Member Nelson, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to open the hearing.

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, said he would take Council through the process of how we got to where we're at and where we're going in the future. Council did order a feasibility study on this project - there was a petition that started this project but it did not meet statutory requirement to be defined as a petition initiated project. The significance of that is that it will require a 4/5's Council vote to order the project ahead. Council received the feasibility report at their August 11, 2014 meeting and ordered this preliminary assessment hearing. Mr. Haffield said it is up to Council tonight whether or not to proceed with the project following the hearing. Should Council choose to move ahead they would order that by resolution and call for plans. To accommodate the proposed development out there, we would be looking to have the plans done as early as the next Council meeting. Council would then approve the plans and authorize advertisement for bids to be received around the end of September, with a target start date sometime in October for grading base or some pond modifications, catch basins - then pick up the project next spring to be surfaced and ready for use by July. Following construction, staff would look at all the costs, bring them back to Council, Council would declare the costs that are going to be assessed and order an assessment hearing. It's at the final assessment hearing the they would actually adopt the assessments and set the terms of payback - that's when the assessments become a lien on the property. Following that there would

be a chance to appeal those assessments in district court. Tonight Council will be presented with estimated assessments.

The improvement under consideration is the extension of street on Grand Avenue from where it ends now approximately 200 feet north of Oxford Street up to Darling Drive. It also included extending walks from Oxford up to Darling - 40 foot street width, 4 foot standard walk on the west side and a 10 foot multi-use trail on the east side, addressing the City's Complete Streets policy and the City's standard for walks along collector streets. The additional share of the multi-use trail would be City share, and the additional 4 feet of width on the street is automatically City share. A catch basin would be put in place along with pond modifications but are not part of what are street or sidewalk assessments. Staff sees no disadvantage for either pavement from a longevity standpoint. Total estimated costs of the project extension to Darling drive with bituminous pavement, and including sidewalks, is \$1,079,630.00, with estimated assessments receivable of \$621,356.78, and estimated City share of \$458,27.22. Mr. Haffield reviewed the process of determining the assessments. Total estimated costs of the project extension with concrete pavement is \$1,146,200.00, with estimated assessments receivable of \$641,191.10 and estimated City share of \$505,008.90.

Mr. Haffield said Council has the option to bid alternates and make their decision on pavement type. If Council chose that option, staff was also recommending they accept the proposal as part of their action to move ahead and add that to I & S's service to bid alternates. Estimated cost for the additional service is less than \$6,000.00.

Mayor Oberloh asked if there was any testimony.

Steve Johnson - They are here tonight not to speak for or against the project the Housing Partnership is proposing, but they were here to ask Council to consider extending Grand Avenue north to the edge of the Housing Partnership property. If you continue it all the way to Darling Drive it goes past their property and gives them a pretty good size assessment, which they're not ready for. He was very encouraged to listen to Council talk in the first hearing about making considerations, and first of all, they were asking that Council consider tonight extending Grand Avenue to the north side of the property of the petitioners property and end it there and not take it past their property. We're just not ready for that expenditure, we have no development plans on that property and so we're asking you to consider that.

Secondly - if that's not something that you would consider, we would ask that the assessments that would be on our property, that you would consider deferring those until which time we develop that property. That's been done before in Worthington and we would ask that you consider that.

Thirdly, if that's not a consideration, we'd ask that, for sure, you not put in the sidewalk on our side and assess us the \$10,000 for the sidewalk because, on development, whenever that occurs, you have concrete trucks and lumber trucks and those type of things going across them - you're not exactly

sure what elevation to put the sidewalk. Somebody's got to clean the sidewalk. If you actually would go to the north, you know, no sidewalk that runs east and west on Darling Drive so it would go to, so if you're walking north it would go to nowhere. So, we're just not ready for that at this time, we think that we will be as time goes on. There's been a lot of streets that have been put in, in our community, that have been for the development of that part of somebody's land, and then as they get another project further on you extend the street further. So, as a matter of fact I think that the Housing Partnership north of Sungold Heights had done it that way. Not all of those streets that you go out and drive on today were in the first development. If I'm mistaken about that Dwayne would know but I think that that's - and we've done the same thing in our developments in Homewood Hills, and Northland Park, but to just go in and all of a sudden develop the street all the way would not be something we would be in favor of - develop as far as you need it.

Council and staff discussed the idea of deferment, with Mr. Haffield noting it would be deferred payments, not a deferred assessment.

Steve Johnson - our preference would be that you ended it at the north boundary of the petitioner's property. That's happened many, many times in Worthington, in the developments. We'd like to have the pressure on ourselves to need development - we'd love to - that's why we bought it. We'd love to be able to have that opportunity, but keep in mind there's going to be additional development costs as we extend Cecilee over to Grand Avenue North, and then all of a sudden that's going to bring a lot of traffic from the east side including the trailer park and all of the nice development that's spurred on the east side there all down Cecilee and up this new road of north Grand and over by Echo, and boy, there's going to be a backup of traffic there, and it may give us some time to consider how you take care of that traffic. I'm not the engineer so...but sometimes buying a little time doesn't hurt. We just looked at the assessment on three lots and we thought \$84,000 we're not ready to do anything here, maybe you'd consider this.

Mayor Oberloh asked if there was anyone else who had questions or wished to speak.

Council Member Wood asked if it would be possible to obtain bids to the Partnership's property line and to Darling Drive, as he believes it would be cheaper to complete the entire project than two separated projects that would duplicate costs. Mr. Haffield said that was possible, that Council would need to continue this hearing tonight, would not order the improvement, but they would order the preparation of plans and specifications - then take the bids, and base the order on those bids. Statute does allow for receiving bids prior to ordering an improvement.

Jesse Drost - On behalf of American Reformed Church - they wanted to make it known that this would be pretty big financial burden on the American Reformed Church. I see it as we would be the least to gain anything from this, but yet we're probably the third largest assessment being made. Just wondering if there is anything we can do to reduce that financial burden as a non-profit organization.

Mr. Haffield responded that there really isn't anywhere in the law that gives the ability to do that.

Mr. Drost - Is it possible to, like Mr. Johnson had asked, for the deferment - if the church were to sell that property off or for some reason develop that front there, then to assume the assessment.

Mr. Haffield - that would be some legal work for Council for the definition of developed, but if it goes on a 15 year payback - you can extend it a few times but in 30 years there's no avoiding it at that time.

Council Member Wood said he doesn't have a solution - it does seem like a burden - Council Member Graber concurred. Mayor Oberloh noted that the parties needed to understand that the project was going to happen at some point, they will be faced with the assessment. Council Member Wood agreed as did Council Member Kuhle, adding that perhaps a deferment could help.

Mr. Drost - My point is that it's hard for any church to raise funds for any project whether it building improvements, maintenance, and then you throw on an assessment like this that we gain nothing from.

Mr. Haffield - Regarding deferred payment status - historically when properties are fully sewered, watered and you bring the street, the deferred payment status has not been applied there. It's more been where there is no sewer or water yet. It is Council's discretion but there is some level that would be new here.

Mike Johnson - I understand your guys' dilemma here, I think we should let progress go as it goes. We certainly aren't against the Housing project but let's just take the road up as far as they need it now - and you keep saying "it's gonna happen, it's gonna happen" but let's let the pressure be put on the property first before we make it happen - your getting the cart maybe a little bit ahead of the horse here. Yes, it would be nice but somebody's got to pay for it. And if the pressure isn't on the property to sell it, for the church or for us, that really doesn't do us any good. Ryan's Road was done in that same manner I think, I mean you went out a ways - that worked, then the pressure came for more development and then you extended it on through so it fully looped and that certainly seemed to work. But you did it in steps as the development came - not way ahead of the game. So that would be my point.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Johnson - Understands their land will be more valuable with the improvements - they'll have three lots that would be abutted up to this property for 80 some thousand dollars - that's not our land, that's not doing any of the stub-ins or anything like that.

Mayor Oberloh asked if there was anyone else who wished to offer testimony. There was none.

The motion was made by Council Member Sankey, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to close the hearing.

Council and staff discussed available options.

Following discussion, the motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Kuhle and unanimously carried to continue the hearing and order preparation of plans and specifications for bids to be given to the end of the Housing Partnership property and to Darling Drive.

AGENDA APPROVED/CLOSED

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

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED

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

- City Council Minutes of regular meeting July 28, 2014
- Minutes of Boards and Commissions - Water and Light Commission Minutes of regular meeting August 4, 12014; Worthington Housing and Redevelopment Authority Board Minutes of regular meeting June 24, 2014; Nobles Economic Opportunity Network Minutes of July 10, 2014
- Application for Exemption from Lawful Gambling - Minnesota West Foundation
- Application for Temporary On-Sale Liquor License - King Turkey Day, September 12-13, 2014
- Application to Block Streets - King Turkey Day - as presented
- Application for Temporary On-Sale Liquor License - Worthington Country Club
- Application for Exemption from lawful Gambling Permit - Tomorrow's Turkeys, Minnesota State Chapter
- Nobles Home Initiative Amendment that clarifies when a NHI recipient will receive his/her abatement payment annually
- Municipal Liquor Store Income Statement for the Period January 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014
- Bills payable and totaling \$578,271.59 be ordered paid

RESOLUTION NO. 3560 ADOPTED APPOINTING ADDITIONAL/ALTERNATE ELECTION JUDGES FOR 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION

Pursuant to MS. 204B, any election judges appointed within 25 days of an election need to be appointed by resolution.

The motion was made by Council Member Graber, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution appointing additional/alternate election judges for the 2014 primary election:

RESOLUTION NO 3560

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATES FOR THE AUGUST 12, 2014 PRIMARY ELECTION

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

“WELCOME TO WORTHINGTON” SIGNS - ACTION TABLED TO NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Craig Clark, City Administrator, stated that there have been some changes in the costs and direction associated with the City's entrance signs - following working with Fullerton, their costs have changed from their quote so we've been working with Wells Concrete on their design - moving forward in cooperation with Reitmeier Masonry doing the pillars for the signs and Wells Concrete doing the center portion of the sign. Estimated price for the three signs is roughly \$120,000. Mr. Clark said staff would move forward to get specifications for the foundation and to move things forward to come up with a final budget, but is looking for authorization from Council as the price has changed from what has been budgeted. Staff proposes that funds come from the undesignated unreserved fund, and that budget transfer would reflect the remaining \$60,000 expense that was not budgeted.

Dirt work costs are estimated at \$500 per sign, with foundation estimates at \$9,000 for all three signs.

Council Member Graber noted that some people have voiced concern that we are not going with a local business, and asked if Council could address that reason again. Mr. Clark responded by noting that Fullerton uses an efface sign and incorporates a can - an illuminated sign that would have three or four inches of relief - a price had been obtained from Harvey Signs. The Wells Concrete masonry sign had longevity for maintenance and durability. While there are different strengths of both types, the interest was more in durability and maintenance. Council Member Nelson said that while he was previously in favor of the Fullerton product, after taking a trip to Wells Concrete he was more in favor of that type - it was substantial and would last a long time.

Brenda Hurlbut was present at the meeting and asked to speak - she said in revisiting with Fullerton

they said they would guarantee their sign for 30 years - they've not had trouble with their buildings, just need to do updates. They feel very strongly about supporting Worthington and supporting a local business, and that's our motto. The bid is quite substantially different from Fullerton - \$90,000 compared to about \$120,000 plus with Wells - and they have a very nice product.

The motion was made by Council Member Nelson to move forward with the Wells Concrete sign as presented, and that we deal with it at budget time on how to pay it back. Mayor Oberloh asked three times if there was a second to the motion - there was none - motion dies.

The motion was made by Council Member Wood and seconded by Council Member Nelson to table this item to the next meeting so information on both proposals could be reviewed together, with the following Council Members voting in favor of the motion: Kuhle, Graber, Wood, Nelson; and the following Council Members voting against the same: Sankey - motion carried.

ADVERTISING CONTRIBUTION FOR GOVERNOR'S PHEASANT OPENER APPROVED

At their July 28, 2014 meeting, Council heard a request for a financial contribution to the 2014 Governor's Pheasant Opener, which Worthington has the honor of hosting. The money will help with costs to showcase the community and promote Worthington through the media coverage of the event. Following discussion at that meeting, Council agreed to continue the discussion and have Council Member Nelson visit with CVB members at their Board meeting to discuss a potential financial contribution.

While the CVB initially suggested a \$750 contribution, they were now asking for an advertising sponsorship of \$2,000. Craig Clark, City Administrator, said staff suggests the funds come from the Mayor/Council special account. Council Member Wood inquired what the designated level of sponsorship was above the \$2,000. Darlene Macklin, Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce Executive said the level above that would be \$2,500, then it jumps to \$5,000.

The motion was made by Council Member Wood, seconded by Council Member Sankey and unanimously carried to make an advertising commitment of \$2,500 for the 2014 Governor's Pheasant Opener.

ON STREET BIKE AND WALKING LANES REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION FORM THE LOCAL STATEWIDE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (SHIP)

At their August 7, 2014 meeting, the Park Advisory Board discussed a request of the local Statewide Health Improvement Program (SHIP) Committee to consider the possibility of installing bike lanes along South Shore Drive. By presenting the request to Council, the Committee was hoping it would promote opportunity for the general public to discuss this as an alternative to improve the safety of the biking and walking traffic currently on South Shore, and the implications it would have for

parking and other considerations.

Council is invited to attend a demonstration of the proposed striping on Friday, August 29, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at Freedom Veterans Park. Chalk will be placed on the street to show firsthand how the lanes might look and function.

NOBLES COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASS TIME AND DATE SET

Staff reported that notification had been received from the Nobles County Auditor-Treasurer's office that the County Board of Canvass for the August 12th Primary Election will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 15, 2014 in Room 310 of the Nobles County Government Center. As the Mayor of the most populous city in the county, Mayor Oberloh or his designee serves as a member of the County Board. Mayor Oberloh noted he will be unavailable that day and named Council Member Wood as his designee to the Nobles County Board of Canvass.

RESOLUTION NO. 3561 ADOPTED ACCEPTING PARK BENCH DONATION - CITY OF WORTHINGTON EMPLOYEES

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board considered a request from the City of Worthington Employees and Retirees to place a bench within Centennial Park near the bike trail in memory of Rosa Ingenthron, a long time employee of the City who recently passed away. The donation meets all the requirements set forth in the Park Donation Policy adopted by City Council. The Advisory Board was recommending Council acceptance of the donation.

The motion was made by Council Member Graber, seconded by Council Member Kuhle and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution approving the donation and authorizing the Mayor to sign and Clerk to attest the agreement:

RESOLUTION NO. 3561

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

RESOLUTION NO. 3562 ADOPTED ACCEPTING PARK BENCH DONATION - MIKE TRAPHAGEN

The Park and Recreation Advisory Board considered a request from Mike Traphagen to place a bench within Centennial Park near the bike trail in memory of Bruce and Esther Traphagen. The donation meets all the requirements set forth in the Park Donation Policy adopted by City Council. The Advisory Board was recommending Council acceptance of the donation.

The motion was made by Council Member Sankey, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution approving the donation and authorizing the Mayor to sign and the Clerk to attest the agreement:

RESOLUTION NO. 3562

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

(Refer to Resolution File for complete copy of Resolution)

**RESOLUTION ADOPTED AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION GRANT AGREEMENT #3-27-0016-12-14**

At its April 14, 2014 meeting, Council approved a master agreement with Bolton and Menk for providing airport consultant services. At the same time, a task order was approved establishing the services Bolton and Menk is to provide for preparation of the Environmental Assessment (EA) documentation required for the future extension of Taxiway C at the airport. The services required were initiated in anticipation of receipt of a Federal Aviation Administration grant funding 90% of the costs.

At its June 23, 2014 meeting, Council awarded a contract to Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC for joint and crack repairs on Taxiway B at the Municipal Airport, subject to receipt of the FAA grant.

The FAA has offered a grant agreement that includes a current set of assurances that the City is agreeing to by accepting the grant. The assurances cover multiple requirements including but not limited to: adhering to standards for construction, protecting civil rights, and satisfying procurement procedures. Commitments that continue include maintaining and operating the airport in accordance with FAA and other standards, preserving the City's right to use all current airport property for airport purposes, ensuring the airport is available for its intended use and continued adherence to federal requirements such as non-discrimination and protection of human rights.

The motion was made by Council Member Sankey, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to adopt the following resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute the agreement:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE
FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION
GRANT AGREEMENT FOR AIP 3-27-0016-12-14

It is resolved by the City of Worthington as follows:

1. That the Grant Agreement Number AIP 3-27-0016-12-14 for improvements at the Worthington Municipal Airport is accepted.
2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute this Agreement and any amendments on behalf of the City of Worthington

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Oberloh - Nothing to report.

Council Member Kuhle - City exchange trip to Germany was nice. Attended a ceremony last Friday at the Blue Line - the PACE project is the first in the 18 county region, it was designed to replace the lighting in the canopy out there - it's a win/win for business owner and the City/Utilities because it reduces emissions and power supply requirements- commends the Blue Line.

Council Member Graber - Attended the swearing in ceremony for Nate Grimmus who received upward recognition August 1st. Parks and Rec. talked about the streets and making them safer - talked about the Beach Nook enhancements and the soccer field restroom - having it open as a trial. Center for Active Living is really active - their senior week is coming up in September. Membership renewals are coming in - new members in July. 55 Alive was well attended. Tonight was the Dayton House 10 year anniversary picnic - was really nice.

Council Member Sankey - reminder that there is a NEON meeting this coming Thursday at 5:30 at the Fire Department - all Nobles County residents are invited to attend.

Council Member Wood - nothing to report.

Council Member Nelson - nothing to report.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Craig Clark, City Administrator, requested that Council Members turn in their budget binders for updating for the 2015 budget meetings on the 27th and 29th from 7 to 10 a.m. on the 27th and 7 to 9 a.m. on the 29th. Cruisin' Downtown Worthington is tomorrow night. Blandin Foundation is doing a Community Leadership program again in Worthington - there is an informational session scheduled for 5 p.m. tomorrow at BenLees.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Council Member Graber, seconded by Council Member Wood and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m.