WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 4, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: Lyle Ten Haken, Mike Kuhle, Scott Nelson, Ron Wood, Mike Woll.

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development; Brian Kolander, Finance Director; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

Others present: Glenn Thuringer, WREDC.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

<u>EDA Tax Levy</u> - Council discussed the proposed Economic Development Tax Levy with Glenn Thuringer, WREDC. The proposed levy for 2013 is \$83,000. Mr. Thuringer said he did not have a budget to present to Council but that his total budget would be \$200,000. Council discussed the contribution levels from the funding entities. Mr. Thuringer also noted he would be requesting funding for a campus housing study, and is looking at adding staff.

Community/Economic Development (continuation) - Brad Chapulis, Director of Comm/Economic Development, noted that the Community Center is scheduled to be completed by the first of the year. Council discussed the \$59,633 budget for the Center, which includes \$33,000 from the Hospital Foundation for programming. Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development, also discussed with Council his request for an additional staff person, which would eventually free up time for the Building Inspector to pull back some of the inspections we've lost to the state. Council also looked at the possibility of increasing inspection fees.

Mayor, Council, Administrator/Clerk

Council reviewed the proposed 2013 budgets for the Mayor, Council Administrator and Clerk. Discussion included the following:

- electronic agendas and meeting equipment
- document imaging and storage system
- building/office safety devices based on a presentation/review by an OSHA representative
- increasing the amount in the Mayor's fund for recognizing historical partnerships (as allowed by the Ordinance recently adopted by Council) as an official invitation to Crailsheim has been issued for 2013
- adding to the building fund to allow for work to be done in the lower level, specifically the employee lounge

Council also discussed removing the truck requested by the fire department and to also look at the pay/retirement plan provided to the fire department personnel. Mayor Oberloh also suggested that additional money be put back into road maintenance and repair, which has been decreased for the

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past several years.

RECOMMENDATION FOR PRE-CERTIFICATION OF 2012 TAX LEVIES COLLECTIBLE IN 2013

Staff reminded Council that following pre-certification, the budget numbers can be reduced for final certification but not increased. Following discussion, Council determined to pre-certify the 2012 Tax Levies collectible in 2013 at 2% over the 2012 budget.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Nelson, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 a.m.

Janice Oberloh, MCMC City, Clerk