

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
Monday, October 16, 2006
7:30 p.m.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL**
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATION – County Commissioner Ed Peterson**
- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed below are considered to be routine by the Governing Body and will be enacted by one motion (Roll Call Vote). There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

By Staff:

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4. Authorize the Mayor to issue the following proclamation:
Government and Commerce Initiative – China 2006, week of October 22 -31, 2006.
5. Approve Construction Change Order #2 for a time extension for Project 190851: 2006 Street Resurfacing Program.
6. Approve the Treasury Online User Agreement with Intrust Bank, subject to approval by the City Attorney.

By Committee:

7. Delete COU2006-29 from the Council Committee Agenda.
8. Adopt Ordinance 2136 amending Chapter XI of the Code of the City of Prairie Village, 2003, entitled "Public Offenses" by incorporating by reference The Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, Edition 2006 with certain deletions and additions, and by repealing Chapter XI, Article 1 of the Prairie Village Municipal Code, and amending Chapter XI, Article 3 and amending Chapter XIV entitled "Traffic" by repealing Chapter XIV, Article 1 entitled "Standard Traffic Ordinance" and incorporating by reference The Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, Edition 2006 with certain deletions and additions; and prescribing additional regulations.
9. Approve Ordinance 2135 amending the approved use for the C-3 "Special Use Business District" located at 5301 W 75th Street from "Magazine Publishing Business" to "Law Office" with direction that the ordinance not be published until the final site plan is approved by the City's Planning Commission.
10. Approve amendments to Personnel Policy PP1007 entitled "Sick Leave" and Personnel Policy PP1005 entitled "Vacations."
11. Approve revisions to Council Policy 030 establishing a \$25 monthly communication stipend for elected officials.

- VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**
City entrance sign Committee – David Belz
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS**
- IX. NEW BUSINESS**
- X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- XI. ADJOURNMENT**

If any individual requires special accommodations -- for example, qualified interpreter, large print, reader, hearing assistance -- in order to attend the meeting, please notify the City Clerk at 381-6464, Extension 4616, no later than 48 hours prior to the beginning of the meeting.

**If you are unable to attend this meeting, comments may be received by e-mail at
cityclerk@PVKANSAS.COM**

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
OCTOBER 16, 2006**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, October 16, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Ron Shaffer called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Al Herrera, Bill Griffith, Ruth Hopkins, David Voysey, Michael Kelly, Andrew Wang, Laura Wassmer, Pat Daniels, Charles Clark, Wayne Vennard, Diana Ewy Sharp and David Belz.

Also present were: Barbara Vernon, City Administrator; Charles Wetzler, City Attorney; Captain John Walter; Bob Pryzby, Public Works Director; Doug Luther, Assistant City Administrator; Karen Kindle, Finance Director and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

Mayor Shaffer led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then recognized and welcomed seven students from Rockhurst High School attending the meeting for their American Government class.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Paul Lee, 7425 Briar, addressed the Council expressing the concern and opposition of his neighborhood to the proposed sidewalk location on Briar as part of the 2007 Street Program. He noted the street covers a one block area and ends at the creek. It is referred to by the neighbors as the "sidewalk to nowhere". Mr. Lee presented a petition signed by 22 individuals representing the 17 homes in the neighborhood stating their opposition to the proposed sidewalk.

Mayor Shaffer advised Mr. Lee the issue would be discussed by the Council at a later meeting and he would be advised of the time and date of that meeting.

Pat Daniels stated he is in favor of sidewalks on all streets considering the benefit for all citizens, not only the adjacent property owners. However, he has been on this street many times and feels this is probably the exception to the rule for him. A sidewalk would not provide a service to residents as it does not go anywhere and its installation would be costly and disruptive on either side of the street. He urged all council members to drive this street before this comes back to the Council for action.

Michael Kelly introduced Bernard Brown, president of the International Visitors Council of Greater Kansas City, to provide information on their organization. Mr. Brown stated they are funded by the U.S. State Department with the goal of bringing people from throughout the world to the United States for a specific purpose. Citizen Diplomacy is the basis of their program. They set up

programs to meet the specific requests of the visitors and also provide home hospitality to individuals while visiting. Mr. Brown distributed brochures on their program. Mr. Kelly read a thank you the Mayor received from the State Department for the city's hospitality to the Ukrainian delegation who visited.

PRESENTATION

Mayor Shaffer welcomed Johnson County Commissioner Ed Peterson who was present to review the County's 2007 budget and to answer questions from the Council. Commissioner Peterson stated the Johnson County budget for 2007 totaled \$767,261,398. In reviewing revenue sources for the County, Commissioner Peterson noted the County receives only 1.1% in sales tax or approximately \$48,000 for county services.

The public safety and judiciary expenditures are currently 21% of the county budget. However, Commissioner Peterson noted, with the costs of operation for the new jail facilities, which will open within 5 years more than 50% of the County budget will go toward public safety and judiciary expenditures.

In reviewing grant funding, it was noted the county serves as a distributor of grants specifically designated for other programs and organizations. He expressed concern with the county's failure to increase CARS funding which has remained at the same level for the past four years. He would like to see more money channeled into the CARS Program.

Commissioner Peterson addressed HB 2583 Commercial Machinery and Equipment Relief Distribution Method and presented a report on the impact of the different distribution formulas being considered. One method of distribution is based on the mill levies of all the taxing jurisdictions. Loss/gain scenarios for Johnson County and Johnson County cities were estimated using the "slider amendment" and the original distribution method noting a significant difference between the two methods for some cities and for the County

Bill Griffith expressed his frustration at the increasing County mill levy. He feels the mill levy rate is designed so as property values increase the additional revenue gained should cover the additional operational costs. He noted this has been the case in Prairie Village for the past several years. Commissioner Peterson responded the growth in general operations increases approximately 2.5% per year which is roughly equivalent to the increase in tax revenue from higher property appraisals. However, he noted the mill levy provides for less than 20% of the total county revenue and is the only revenue source the county can control. Those items having significant impact on the budget are capital intensive services. Mr. Griffith responded bonding is available for capital projects and noted those needs don't arise in a one-year period, but should have been recognized by earlier Commissions and addressed.

David Voysey expressed concern with the handling of sales tax. He feels governing bodies are at the upper end of revenue that can be acquired through sales tax. Commission Peterson

agreed that other revenues streams need to be investigated. He asked for on-going communication with him on issues of concern by Council members.

CONSENT AGENDA

Wayne Vennard asked for the removal of item #10 from the Consent Agenda. David Belz moved the approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, October 16, 2006 as amended with the removal of item #10:

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10. Removed
11. Approve revisions to Council Policy 030 establishing a \$25 monthly communication stipend for elected officials.

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting "aye": Herrera, Griffith, Hopkins, Voysey, Kelly, Wang, Wassmer, Daniels, Clark, Vennard, Ewy Sharp and Belz.

Wayne Vennard noted Section V, Paragraph F 2. of Personnel Policy 1007 references accumulated vacation leave and questioned if that was an error and should read "sick leave". Doug Luther responded the reference to vacation leave should be "sick leave".

Wayne Vennard moved PP1007 entitled Sick Leave be revised in Section V, Paragraph F, #2 by removing the term "vacation leave" and substituting the term "sick leave". The motion was seconded by Laura Wassmer and passed unanimously.

Wayne Vennard moved the approval of Personnel Policy PP1007 entitled "Sick Leave" as amended and Personnel Policy PP1005 entitled "Vacations". The motion was seconded by Charles Clark and passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

City Entrance Sign Committee

David Belz reported the City Entrance Sign committee met to review the recommendations of the City Council and have agreed on a design for City Entrance Signs. Mr. Belz called upon Bob Pryzby to present the recommended sign.

Mr. Pryzby stated, based on direction from the Council, the committee has added the Prairie Village Star (which was redesigned to reflect the original star) and investigated adding a light and reviewed the lettering font and layout. The Star has been added to the final design. Lighting is not being recommended because of the additional costs. The material for the signs will be the faux stone as previously presented to the Council.

In 2001, the Citizens Advisory Committee recommended 18 locations for entrance signs. The committee is recommending the location of entrance signs at 16 locations including a new location at 87th Street and Nall Avenue. They are not recommending the location of signs at Somerset Drive @ Public Works Site and Tomahawk Road & Mission Road. Mr. Pryzby stated at this time the proposal does not include park identification signs, only entrance signs. A full size mock-up of the proposed sign was presented to the Council for review.

The cost for each City Entrance Sign is \$3,000, which included the new monument and lettering by contract plus removal of existing landscaping and site preparation by Public Works employees. The 2006 and 2007 Public Works budget does not include funds for this work. Mr. Pryzby noted if the project is to proceed, a transfer from the General Fund Contingency to the Capital Infrastructure Program will be needed.

Mayor Shaffer confirmed the star would only be on the side of the sign facing traffic. He confirmed all of the old entrance signs have been removed.

David Belz asked what the anticipated maintenance costs were for the signs. Mr. Pryzby responded maintenance costs should be minimal.

Mayor Shaffer asked if all the signs would be installed at one time. Mr. Pryzby replied they would be installed by sequence as they are manufactured. They will be placed on a concrete base that extends 5" to 6" above the ground.

Diana Ewy Sharp stated she would like to see the new signs installed at the City parks as well. If the metal signs are being removed, she feels it is appropriate. Mr. Pryzby stated he did not include them in the recommendation because of questions on a possible park logo.

Laura Wassmer moved to approve the funding, purchase and installation of 17 City Entrance Signs as identified to be installed as soon as possible and authorize the transfer of \$51,000 from the General Fund Contingency to the Capital Infrastructure Program. The motion was seconded by Wayne Vennard.

Mr. Pryzby noted the locations identified included the island at 75th Street and State Line which Bob Endres had discussed bringing in a different design for that location.

Bill Griffith expressed opposition to the continual use of the Contingency Fund. He feels the signs should be replaced over several years and built into the City's budget. Laura Wassmer stated

the Council has been discussing new monument signs for the past several years. She asked if Mr. Endres was aware of the placement of an entrance sign at the 75th & State Line location.

David Belz stated if this is an entrance to the City it should be indicated as such with a City Entrance sign.

The motion was voted on and passed by a vote of 11 to 1 with Bill Griffith voting "nay".

OLD BUSINESS

Sister City Committee

Michael Kelly highlighted the invitation given to each Council member to attend a welcome of the 2006-07 Shawnee Mission East High School International Exchange Students on Monday, October 30th at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Fifteen international exchange students will be invited.

NEW BUSINESS

Facility at 3541 Somerset Drive

Pat Daniels advised the Council the City is investigating the possible rental or purchase of the entire building located adjacent to the City's Public Works facility. The City previously leased a portion of the building; however, the entire building is now available. Mr. Daniels moved the City Council authorize the City staff to obtain a letter of opinion from a professional appraiser on the property at a cost not to exceed \$500. The motion was seconded by Al Herrera.

Bill Griffith asked what information would be included in the letter. Mr. Daniels noted the letter would provide a general feel for the value of the property as opposed to a full market analysis. Wayne Vennard confirmed this information would not be considered public information.

The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

Traffic Lights

Al Herrera noted a recent problem with the traffic signals at 75th and Roe. The lights were changed by an emergency vehicle, but did not change back for a significant length of time. Drivers, tired of waiting, disregarded the on-going red light leading to a potentially dangerous situation.

Captain John Walter stated lights changed with the use of the "emitter" system will remain frozen until the emitter is turned off. The problem was the result of human error as the emergency technician failed to turn off the emitter system after clearing the intersection.

Regional Suppers

Mayor Shaffer announced the League of Kansas Municipalities 2006 Regional Supper discussing the upcoming legislative priorities will be held on Wednesday, November 15th in Lawrence, Kansas. He asked Council members to respond to Barbara or Joyce if they would be attending. Ruth Hopkins stated this is an excellent event and encouraged all who could attend to do so.

Miscellaneous

Mayor Shaffer announced Council photos would be taken before the committee meetings on Monday, November 6th.

Charles Clark encouraged council members to read the City Administrator's Report addressing information gathered at the recent League of Municipalities Conference on municipal revenue trends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:

Police Pension Trustees	10/17/2006	4:00 p.m.
Prairie Village Arts Council	10/18/2006	7:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Committee (at Public Works)	10/18/2006	7:00 p.m.
Municipal Foundation	10/31/2006	5:30 p.m.
Police Pension Trustees	10/25/2006	1:00 p.m.
Environmental Recycle Committee	10/25/2006	7:00 p.m.
Sculpture Garden Committee	10/25/2006	7:00 p.m.
Tree Board (at Public Works)	11/01/2006	6:00 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole	11/06/2006	6:00 p.m.
Council	11/06/2006	7:30 p.m.

The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to feature a mixed media exhibit by the Senior Arts Council in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of October.

Flu shots will be given on October 16th from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Public Works and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Multi-purpose room. The cost is \$10 and it will be deducted from your paycheck.

Johnson County elections will be on November 7th.

The city offices will be closed November 23 and 24 in observance of Thanksgiving Day. Deffenbaugh will also be closed on Thanksgiving Day so trash pick-up will be delayed.

The Mayor's Holiday Tree Lighting will be Monday, November 27th at 6:30 p.m.

The 50th Anniversary books, Prairie Village Our Story, and Prairie Village Gift Cards continue to be sold to the public.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk