

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA  
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE  
Monday, April 17, 2006  
7:30 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. OATH OF OFFICE**

**IV. ROLL CALL**

**V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Village Vision Update – Ken Vaughn and Marlene Nagel

**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:**

1. Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes – April 3, 2006
2. Authorize the Mayor to execute the Annual Operation and Maintenance Assurance Statement  
(Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, Land and Water Conservation Fund)
3. Approve Committee Reappointments of the following:

			<b>Term to expire:</b>
Board of Code Appeals	Joe	Zimmerman	April-11
Board of Code Appeals	Robert	Hutton	April-11
Board of Zoning Appeals	Ken	Vaughn	April-09
Board of Zoning Appeals	Nancy	Vennard	April-09
Communications Committee	Janette	Morgan	April-09
Communications Committee	Christine	Adams	April-08
Park & Recreation Committee	Peggy	Couch	April-09
Park & Recreation Committee	Clarence	Munsch	April-09
Park & Recreation Committee	Andy	Peterson	April-07
Planning Commission	Ken	Vaughn	April-09
Planning Commission	Nancy	Vennard	April-09
PV Arts Council	Thomas	Marsh	April-09
PV Arts Council	Annie	Brabson	April-08
PV Arts Council	Inge	Dugan	April-09
PV Arts Council	Jan	Marsh	April-09
PV Arts Council	Leigh	Nelson	April-07
Environment/Recycle	Don	Landes	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Mary	Montello	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Ben & Lisa	Riggins	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Kathy	Riordan	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Wayne	Sangster	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Margaret	Thomas	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Mely	Ballard	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Margaret	Goldstein	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Anne-Marie	Hedge	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Cheryl	Landes	April-09
Environment/Recycle	Dewey	Ziegler	April-09
Sister City Committee	Alyce	Grover	April-09
Sister City Committee	Cindy	Dwigans	April-09

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Committee	Allan	Beshore	April-09
Tree Board	Jack	Lewis	April-09
Tree Board	Laura	Deaver	April-09

4. Approve Concession Prices for the 2006 Season as follows:  
(Legislative/Finance Committee Minutes, April 3, 2006)

<b>Food Items</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Hot Dog	Hot Dog with foil wrap and bun	\$2.00
Cheese Pizza, Single Serving	5 in. Pizza and Plate	\$2.00
Pepperoni Pizza, Single Serving	5 in. Pizza and Plate	\$2.00
Soft Pretzel	Pretzel and Plate	\$0.75
Nachos	Chips, Nacho Tray and Cheese	\$1.75
Extra Cheese	Extra Cheese	\$0.50
Jalapeno Peppers	Jalapeno's per large can	\$0.25
Big Chocolate Chip Cookies	1 Cookie	\$0.75
<b>Chips</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Doritos, Cool Ranch single	1 bag	\$0.75
Doritos, Nacho Cheese single	1 bag	\$0.75
Cheetos, single	1 bag	\$0.75
Guy's Potato Chips, single	1bag	\$0.75
<b>Candy</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Hershey bars	1 Bar	\$0.75
Plain M&M	1 Package	\$0.75
Peanut M&M	1 Package	\$0.75
Resse's Peanut Butter Cups	1 Package	\$0.75
Snickers'	1 Bar	\$0.75
<b>Frozen Foods</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Drumstick	1 Cone	\$0.75
Mango Italian Ice	1 Cup	\$0.75
Lime Italian Ice	1 Cup	\$0.75
Strawberry Italian Ice	1 Cup	\$0.75
Ice Cream Cup - chocolate	1 Cup	\$0.50
Ice Cream Cup - vanilla	1 Cup	\$0.50
Ice Cream Sandwich	1 Sandwich	\$1.00
Dippin Dots	1 Package	\$3.00
<b>Drinks</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Bottled Water	30 for 8.32	\$1.00
Gatorade/Sport Drink	1 Bottle	\$1.50
Large Soda	22 oz Soda and Cup	\$1.00
Small Soda	12 oz Soda and Cup	\$0.75
Cup of Ice	1 12 oz Cup	\$0.10
Juice Stop Smoothie	1 12 oz Smoothie	NA
<b>Other Items</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>2006 Price</b>
Granola bars	1 Bar	\$0.75
Fruit Cup	1 Fruit Cup	\$1.00
Swim Diaper		\$1.00

5. Approve an addition to the dive team program by offering lessons to be taught by the dive team coach for a fee of \$10 per ½ hour per participant and limited to two participants per ½ hour per coach. (Legislative/Finance Committee Minutes, April 3, 2006)

6. Approve renewal of the City's General Liability Coverage with St. Paul Travelers at a cost of \$230,709.00 for the year beginning May 1, 2006 and ending April 30, 2007 (Insurance Committee Minutes – March 30, 2006)

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Legislative/Finance Committee – Ruth Hopkins**

LEG2006-02 Consider placement of "No Standing" sign for driveway at 3535 Somerset

**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](mailto:cityclerk@PVKANSAS.COM)

CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE  
APRIL 17, 2006

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, April 17, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building. Mayor Ron Shaffer called the meeting to order and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk, Joyce Hagen Mundy, gave the Oath of Office to newly elected and re-elected City Council Members Bill Griffith, representing Ward 1; David Voysey, representing Ward 2; Michael Kelly, representing Ward 3; Laura Wassmer, representing Ward 4 and David Belz, representing Ward 6. Newly elected Councilman for Ward 5, Charles Clark was unable to be present and will be given the oath of office at the May 1st meeting.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with the following Council members were present: Al Herrera, Bill Griffith, Ruth Hopkins, David Voysey, Michael Kelly, Andrew Wang, Laura Wassmer, Pat Daniels, Wayne Vennard, Diana Ewy Sharp and David Belz.

Also present were: Barbara Vernon, City Administrator; Charles Wetzler, City Attorney; Charles Grover, Chief of Police; Bob Pryzby, Director of Public Works; Doug Luther, Assistant City Administrator and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**Village Vision Update**

Steering Committee Co-Chairman Ken Vaughn addressed the Council with an update on the Village Vision process. Mr. Vaughn stated the steering committee reviewed the first draft of the plan on April 6<sup>th</sup>. He noted it is an extremely large document and stated the committee has committed to reviewing each section in detail meeting weekly over the next few weeks. Revisions will be made by the consultant and a joint meeting of the Planning Commission and City Council will be held to review the final draft in late June. Information will be available for residents at the Villagefest celebration with a public hearing and adoption of the plan to take place in early August.

Laura Wassmer asked if there were any surprises in the draft. Mr. Vaughn responded the committee's overall response was positive. He noted the focus in some

areas may need some adjustment, for example a stronger focus on residential housing stock.

Carole Plesser, 7938 Canterbury, addressed the City Council representing concerned residents residing on Canterbury and presenting another petition for the construction of a sidewalk on the east side of Canterbury with a letter attesting to the speeding and dangerous traffic on 79<sup>th</sup> Street. Mrs. Plesser indicated the foremost concern of the residents who not only live along Canterbury, but the people who walk up and down the street is safety. She also noted the residents take into serious consideration the proper placement of the sidewalk, the affect to the destruction of their property, the length of time needed to construct; especially if utilities need to be moved and the added cost to the City. She resubmitted a letter from Dunham School services indicating that they continue through the bus stop at the intersection of Canterbury because of limited sight on 79<sup>th</sup> Street west of Canterbury.

Mrs. Plesser expressed frustration at the Mayor's and Council's lack of support and response to their requests, calls and questions. She also indicated the ongoing controversy between residents on the west and east side of the street caused by the proposed sidewalk. She presented the petition, signed by 13 of the 19 property owners, and supporting documentation was presented to the City Clerk and as such is part of the City's public record.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Al Herrera moved approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, April 17, 2006:

1. Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes - March 20, 2006
2. Authorize the Mayor to execute the Annual Operation and Maintenance Assurance Statements for City Parks
3. Ratify the Mayor's reappointment of the following committee members:

Joe Zimmerman	Board of Code Appeals	April, 2011
Robert Hutton	Board of Code Appeals	April, 2011
Ken Vaughn	Board of Zoning Appeals	April, 2009
	& Planning Commission	
Nancy Vennard	Board of Zoning Appeals	April, 2009
	& Planning Commission	
Janette Morgan	Communications Committee	April, 2009
Christine Adams	Communications Committee	April, 2009
Peggy Couch	Park & Recreation Committee	April, 2009
Clarence Munsch	Park & Recreation Committee	April, 2009
Andy Peterson	Park & Recreation Committee	April, 2007
Thomas Marsh	Prairie Village Arts Council	April, 2009
Annie Brabson	Prairie Village Arts Council	April, 2009
Inge Dugan	Prairie Village Arts Council	April, 2009
Jan Marsh	Prairie Village Arts Council	April, 2009
Leigh Nelson	Prairie Village Arts Council	April, 2007
Don Landes	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009
Mary Montello	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009
Ben Riggins	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009
Lisa Riggins	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009
Kathy Riordan	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009
Wayne Sangster	Environment/Recycle Committee	April, 2009

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| Margaret Thomas    | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Mely Ballard       | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Margaret Goldstein | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Anne-Marie Hedge   | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Cheryl Landes      | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Dewey Ziegler      | Environment/Recycle Committee | April, 2009 |
| Alyce Grover       | Sister City Committee         | April, 2009 |
| Cindy Dwigans      | Sister City Committee         | April, 2009 |
| Allan Beshore      | Sister City Committee         | April, 2009 |
| Jack Lewis         | Tree Board                    | April, 2009 |
| Laura Deaver       | Tree Board                    | April, 2009 |
4. Approve the following Concession Prices for the 2006 Recreation Season:
- | <u>Food Item</u>        | <u>Description</u>                 | <u>2006 Price</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Hot Dog                 | Hot Dog with foil wrap & bun       | \$2.00            |
| Cheese Pizza            | 5 in. single serving pizza w/plate | \$2.00            |
| Pepperoni Pizza         | 5 in. single serving pizza w/plate | \$2.00            |
| Soft Pretzel            | Pretzel and plate                  | \$0.75            |
| Nachos                  | Chips, nacho tray & cheese         | \$1.75            |
| Extra Cheese            | Extra Cheese                       | \$0.50            |
| Jalapeno Peppers        | Jalapeno's per large can           | \$0.25            |
| Big Chocolate           | 1 cookie                           | \$0.75            |
| Chip Cookies            |                                    |                   |
| <b>Chips</b>            |                                    |                   |
| Doritos, Cool Range     | 1 single bag                       | \$0.75            |
| Doritos, Nacho Cheese   | 1 single bag                       | \$0.75            |
| Cheetos                 | 1 single bag                       | \$0.75            |
| Guy's Potato Chips      | 1 single bag                       | \$0.75            |
| <b>Candy</b>            |                                    |                   |
| Hershey bars            | 1 bar                              | \$0.75            |
| Plain M&M               | 1 package                          | \$0.75            |
| Peanut M&M              | 1 package                          | \$0.75            |
| Resse's Cups            | 1 package                          | \$0.75            |
| Snickers                | 1 package                          | \$0.75            |
| <b>Frozen Foods</b>     |                                    |                   |
| Drumstick               | 1 cone                             | \$0.75            |
| Mango Italian Ice       | 1 cup                              | \$0.75            |
| Lime Italian Ice        | 1 cup                              | \$0.75            |
| Strawberry Italian Ice  | 1 cup                              | \$0.75            |
| Ice Cream Cup/chocolate | 1 cup                              | \$0.75            |
| Ice Cream Cup/vanilla   | 1 cup                              | \$0.75            |
| Ice Cream Sandwich      | 1 sandwich                         | \$1.00            |
| Dippin dots             | 1 package                          | \$3.00            |
| <b>Drinks</b>           |                                    |                   |
| Bottled Water           |                                    | \$1.00            |
| Gatorade/sport drink    | 1 bottle                           | \$1.50            |
| Large Soda              | 22 oz soda and cup                 | \$1.00            |
| Small Soda              | 12 oz soda and cup                 | \$0.75            |
| Cup of Ice              | 1 12 oz cup                        | \$0.10            |
| Juice Stop Smoothie     | 1 12 oz Smoothie                   | n/a               |
| <b>Other items</b>      |                                    |                   |
| Granola Bars            | 1 bar                              | \$0.75            |
| Fruit Cup               | 1 fruit cup                        | \$1.00            |
| Swim Diaper             |                                    | \$1.00            |
5. Approve an addition to the dive team program by offering lessons to be taught by the dive team coach for a fee of \$10 per ½ hour per participant and limited to two participants per 1/2 hour per coach.
6. Approve the renewal of the City's General Liability Coverage with St. Paul Travelers at a cost of \$230,709.00 for the year beginning May 1, 2006 and ending April 30, 2007.

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

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Legislative/Finance Committee

#### LEG2006-02 Consider placement of "No Standing" sign for driveway at 3535 Somerset

Ruth Hopkins reported standing traffic along Somerset when parents pick-up students at the Highland Montessori School at 3531 Somerset causes a sight obstruction, making it difficult for vehicles to exit safely from the Public Works facility at 3535 Somerset. Staff have discussed the issue with staff at the Montessori School and have requested approval for the installation of "No Standing" signs 20 feet to the east and 20 feet of the entrance to the Public Works facility.

On behalf of the Legislative/Finance Committee, Ruth Hopkins moved the City Council approve by Resolution 2006-03 the placement of a "No Standing" sign 20 feet east and another sign 20 feet west of 3535 Somerset. The motion was seconded by Laura Wassmer and passed unanimously.

## OLD BUSINESS

There was No Old Business to come before the City Council.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Election of Council President

Al Herrera stated it is the City's policy in April to select a Council member to serve as Council President for the coming year. The procedure followed in the past has been for the most senior Councilmember who has not previously served as Council President, to be nominated. This would be David Belz, who is beginning only his third year on the City Council. Mr. Herrera noted the Council President would serve as Mayor until the next election in the event the Mayor was unable to serve. For this reason, Mr. Herrera recommended that Ruth Hopkins, senior council member, serve as Council President for the coming year with David Belz serving the following year.

Bill Griffith stated he was sure the code had been changed at the last revision to allow for the Council selection of Mayor amongst the Council immediately following the vacancy and not having the Council President serve as Mayor until the next election.

Al Herrera nominated Ruth Hopkins to serve as Council President for 2006-2007. The nomination was seconded by Laura Wassmer.

Andrew Wang asked who decided Mr. Belz did not have enough seniority/experience to serve as Council President and if Mr. Belz agreed with the assessment. Mr. Belz stated he did not decline the nomination.

Ruth Hopkins stated she too remembers the Council discussing this issue and felt strongly it was the desire of the Council to change the code. If it has not been done, she would like to see it placed on the agenda, so it can be changed to what she believes to be the intent of the Council. Bill Griffith stated he recalls the intent very differently from what Mr. Herrera read from the Code and feels that David Belz has the ability and experience to serve as Council President and if need be, Acting Mayor.

Past Council and committee minutes were reviewed for discussion on the selection of Council Presidents. The minutes reviewed reflected discussion of the process during the election of Council Presidents. The City Clerk stated the minutes regarding the changes made to the municipal code regarding this issue were not researched. If a change was to be made to the Code, its discussion would have been recorded in those minutes. The City Clerk stated she could research past minutes reflecting discussion of this issue during the adoption of the new municipal code.

Diana Ewy Sharp agreed with Mr. Griffith and stressed the value of the opportunity to serve as Council President and work closely with City Staff. She supports continuing with the existing procedure. Diana Ewy Sharp nominated David Belz to serve as Council President. The nomination was seconded by Wayne Vennard.

Ruth Hopkins declined her nomination and voiced her support for the nomination of David Belz.

Laura Wassmer asked if the selection of Council President could be continued to the next meeting allowing the Council the ability to discuss the code as it relates to the succession of Mayor.

Andrew Wang stated during the election of Jeff Anthony as Council President this issue was never discussed. He supports going forward with the election of Council President and stated, if at a later date, the Council feels the code should be changed because it doesn't work and needs to be changed, so be it. Do not change the code because of David.

Laura Wassmer stated the issue was not David's ability, it is about a policy that she feels no longer works because of the number of new, inexperienced Council members serving on the Council. She felt the process worked early because the Council contained a number of tenured council members.

Al Herrera stated so much change has taken place on the Council in the past six to seven years and he is no longer comfortable with the past process because of the potential for the Council President to secede the Mayor for a significant length of time.



Bill Griffith called the question, which was seconded by Diana Ewy Sharp and passed unanimously.

The nomination of David Belz to serve as Council President for 2006-2007 was voted on and passed by a vote of 9 to 2 with Herrera and Wassmer voting "nay".

Mayor Shaffer congratulated David and announced the discussion of this issue would be placed on the agenda of the next applicable committee meeting.

#### Discussion:

Bill Griffith asked for an update on the negotiations with the County on raising the sales tax ceiling.

Mayor Shaffer stated the reports in the newspapers are generally accurate. A few weeks ago it became evident that the MARC Transportation bill would not come out of committee this year and the County Commissioners immediately joined with other counties to request a ½ cent maximum sales tax increase. The Mayor of Overland Park found out about the proposed tax and was upset that the cities were not advised or included in the action. The funds expected to be generated by the sales tax are significant and a few of the cities feel they should share in the revenue 50/50 with the county - the County wants 100% of the revenue.

Seven mayors, including Mayor Shaffer, were assigned to a task force to review the issue. After much deliberation, the group reached agreement on a 2/3 county 1/3 city split of revenue and recommended this consensus to the Commissioners by letter. As of last Thursday, the Commission stated this was not acceptable to them; however, they know they need the support of the mayors.

One of the major questions, is how much can the taxpayers tolerate. Many feel the ½ cent tax increase is the limit, and if the revenue gained from this tax is not shared; cities fear they will not be able to get taxpayer approval for another increase to fund issues/projects that may come up in their cities. It is anticipated the MARC transportation bill would also return for funding in the future. Mayor Shaffer pointed out one of his concerns with the proposed tax is that there is no sunset, therefore, it goes on forever. He did note that it is a brick and mortar tax with its use restricted to infrastructure construction.

The legislature has indicated that if the mayors and the County cannot come to an agreement, they will remove Johnson County from the bill and Johnson County would not be eligible to receive authorization to put the issue before the voters for approval for this additional sales tax.

Ruth Hopkins asked if the Commission was 100% behind their receiving all of the funds. Mayor Shaffer believes this to be true. Diana Ewy Sharp stated she felt the county would get sufficient funds to cover their identified needs. Mayor Shaffer stated the mayors task force believes the county will have sufficient funds with the proposed 2/3 county/ 1/3 city split.

Bill Griffith stated he is not convinced the tax increase is justified. He believes the issue is that if a lid is set and reached, other governmental entities are concerned they will be unable to raise needed funds. It is the belief that get it now or you may not get any.

Mayor Shaffer reminded the Council approval only allows the question to be placed before the taxpayers for consideration of the tax increase.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Shaffer congratulated Chief Grover and his department on their recognition by the Old Mission Masonic Lodge 153 for their outstanding service to the community. The lodge will present the department with a Certificate of Recognition during a reception April 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:**

Prairie Village Arts Council	04/19/2006	7:00 p.m.
Environmental Recycle Committee	04/26/2006	7:00 p.m.
VillageFest Committee	04/27/2006	7:00 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole	05/01/2006	6:00 p.m.
Council	05/01/2006	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to feature a mixed media exhibit by Ms. Bobbi Toyne and Bess Duston in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of April.

The City's Tree Board will host an Arbor Day Celebration at Franklin Park near the Rose Garden on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

Recreational Memberships will go on sale at the City Clerk's Office on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Council Members should turn their applications in to the City Clerk for processing.

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

**Mark your Calendar the Large item pick-up has been scheduled for Saturday, April 22, 2006.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy  
City Clerk