

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
February 1, 2010
7:30 p.m.**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. **ROLL CALL**
- IV. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
- V. **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 - January 19, 2010
- 2. Authorize the Mayor to execute a proclamation recognizing the 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America and Honoring Scouting Values; and recognizing the 80th Anniversary of Troop 91.
- 3. Approve the purchase of one (1) 2010 Ford F250 animal control truck from Shawnee Mission Ford for no more than \$26,250.00
- 4. Approve a 2.5 percent increase to \$44.69 per hour for off-duty contractual services.

By Committee:

- 5. Approve the extension of the 2010 Exterior Grant boundaries to include the area bound by 69th Street on the north, 71st Street on the south, Nall to Reeds, Area 3 extended east to Delmar and Area One extended to Tomahawk Drive. (Council Committee of the Whole Minutes - Jan. 19, 2010)
- 6. Approve the governing body securing Mercer Group, Inc. to conduct the search for the Public Works Director position at a cost of \$13,500 plus expenses up to \$5,500 with the timetable to be established by staff and services to be funded from general fund contingency. (Council Committee of the Whole Minutes - Jan. 19, 2010)

VI. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

VII. **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Park and Recreation Committee

Consider approval of the 2010 SuperPass Interlocal Agreement - Diana Ewy Sharp

Consider closing the Municipal Pool Complex Monday through Thursday after the Shawnee Mission Schools start the fall semester - Diana Ewy Sharp

VIII. **STAFF REPORTS**

IX. **OLD BUSINESS**

X. **NEW BUSINESS**

XI. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

XII. **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
February 1, 2010

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on February 1, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Council President Michael Kelly called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Al Herrera, Dale Warman, Ruth Hopkins, Steve Noll, Andrew Wang, Laura Wassmer, Dale Beckerman, Charles Clark, David Morrison, Diana Ewy Sharp and David Belz.

Also present were: Wes Jordan, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Interim Public Works Director; Katie Logan, City Attorney; Dennis Enslinger, Assistant City Administrator; Karen Kindle, Finance Director; Chris Engel, Assistant to the City Administrator and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

Council President Michael Kelly led all those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Rod Atteberry with the Sister City Committee introduced three guests from the city of Dolyna: Larysa Galushyna, Oksana Yakymiv and Tetyana Seniv. The guests of the Sister City arrived on January 18th and expressed their appreciation for the City's hospitality. Tetyana Seniv expressed her thankfulness for surgery that was conducted to remove cataracts and restore her eyesight and to all those that made it possible.

Bobby Tyner, 2401 West 75th Place, expressed appreciation for the efforts of the police and codes departments in working to address the issues in his neighborhood.

Although he is moving out of Prairie Village, he is confident city staff will continue to work with the residents.

Boy Scouts present from Troops 199 and 742 working on merit badges were recognized.

CONSENT AGENDA

Andrew Wang moved the approval of the Consent Agenda for Monday, February 1, 2010:

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6. Approve the Governing Body secure Mercer Group, Inc. to conduct the search for the Public Works Director position at a cost of \$13,500 plus expenses up to \$5,500 with the timetable to be established by staff and services to funded from the general fund contingency.

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting "aye": Herrera, Warman, Hopkins, Noll, Wang, Wassmer, Beckerman, Clark, Morrison, Ewy Sharp, and Belz.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- Ruth Hopkins announced the Mayor, Quinn Bennion and she would be attending City Hall Day at Topeka on Wednesday, February 3rd.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park & Recreation Committee

Consider approval of the 2010 SuperPass Interlocal Agreement

Diana Ewy Sharp called upon Chris Engel to present the Park Committee items. Chris Engel stated the 2009 SuperPass program was considered a success by all of the partner cities. In 2010, the program is proposing two enhancements - first the possible addition of the City of Leawood to the roster of facilities and secondly, the allowance of non-residents to purchase a SuperPass membership.

Staff voiced concern over the disparity in non-resident rates between the cities and the likelihood that someone would seek out the lowest rate and penalize those with higher rates. To prevent non-residents from migrating to the city with the lowest non-resident rates the stipulation was added that a non-resident member of the point-of-purchase city must have been a member of that pool for the prior two consecutive years.

This proposal was presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee on November 18, 2009 and rejected because of potential overcrowding and the concern that non-county residents would be benefiting from our services without being part of the tax base. This information was shared with the other cities in a meeting of the participating cities; however, they voted to include non-residents by a vote of 4 to 1. Leawood stated non-residents participation as being critical to their involvement in the program.

Resident SuperPass rates will remain at \$30 family/\$25 individual; non-resident rates are recommended at \$50/\$25. A family will be defined as five individuals with an additional \$5 for all additional members. In 2009, this program generated approximately \$6,000 for the City.

Laura Wassmer noted that during visits to the pool on multiple occasions there were no chairs available and hoped that additional chairs would be purchased to meet the increased number of people at the pool. Mr. Engel replied that additional chairs have been purchased, but noted more times than not there are more than enough chairs available for those in attendance.

Diana Ewy Sharp noted the Park & Recreation Committee understands the Council's concerns with subsidizing the cost for the operation of the pool.

David Belz confirmed that if the City participated in 2010 that did not preclude them from not participating in the future if problems occurred.

Dale Beckerman noted Leawood is the closest city of those participating in the program and expressed concern with the possible impact. Chris Engel noted that Leawood residents make up the largest portion of non-resident membership sold, but it is still relatively a small portion compared to overall membership. He added that the City does get compensated for SuperPass participants. is the largest non-resident

Quinn Bennion stated that a year ago when the program began he was apprehensive about how it would work out; however, those concerns have been addressed. Last year 3.4% of pool use was by SuperPass participants. All five cities are extremely pleased with the response to the program. The City of Fairway had 60% of its residents purchase the SuperPass.

Al Herrera asked what number of non-residents memberships are sold by Fairway. Mr. Engel stated he does not know the number, but they have several Brookside residents purchasing memberships. He added the City of Merriam was also very interested in expanding the program to include non-residents. Mr. Engel noted that non-Johnson County residents can currently attend our pool through the daily pass

admittance. Mr. Herrera stated he was glad to learn of Leawood's participation noting they have several students attending Corinth Elementary with Prairie Village residents.

Andrew Wang asked for an operational cost breakdown. Mr. Engel stated in 2008 the City recovered 58% of the cost of operation for the pool. In 2009, 54.5% of the cost of operation was recovered.

Laura Wassmer moved the Governing Body approve the agreement by and among the City of Prairie Village, Kansas, the City of Merriam, Kansas, the City of Leawood, Kansas, the City of Mission, Kansas, the City of Fairway, Kansas, the City of Roeland Park, Kansas and Johnson County Parks and Recreation District for use of swimming pool facilities. The motion was seconded by Dale Beckerman and passed unanimously.

Consider closing the municipal pool complex Monday through Thursday after the Shawnee Mission Schools start the fall semester

Chris Engel stated the budget calls for a recovery of 50% of the costs for the operation of the pool. He noted the pool perennially experiences a huge increase in the amount of money it loses after school starts. In considering pool wages only, in 2008 the pool recovered only 20% of operational costs for this period. In 2009, the recovery rate was only 10% of wages paid.

Several area pools close after the opening of schools; others are open only during the weekends. The Park & Recreation Committee approved staff recommendation to close the pools Monday through Thursday after the start of school. It understands that this will not be well accepted by all members.

Ruth Hopkins asked how many weeks this would involve. Mr. Engel replied it would be two to three weeks depending on the school calendar.

Laura Wassmer asked who would this impact the most. Mr. Engel stated lap swimmers and families with young children would be most impacted. Ms Wassmer asked it if would be possible to have only the lap pool and baby pool open. Mr. Engel stated it would be possible, but would need to be made known in advance.

Diana Ewy Sharp stated she is not supportive of this action. The largest number of complaints received is from the pool being closed during the day. She understands the cost issues, but noted by being open when other pools are closed the City has an opportunity to increase use by SuperPass holders.

Dale Beckerman suggested that arrangements be made with the other SuperPass participants to have one pool open during that period and rotate which pool stays open. Chris Engel stated from the service perspective that is worth looking into.

Andrew Wang asked if in the past the issue had been staffing or money. Mr. Engel responded both.

Ruth Hopkins stated for the short period of time involved she would support the closing.

David Morrison feels it is ludicrous to close the pool during the dog days of August when people are back from vacation and able to go.

Diana Ewy Sharp noted the lap swimmers have already been limited in their swimming times to 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Andrew Wang asked if wages were the primary cost. Mr. Engel responded public works related operational costs are not included in his calculations.

Ruth Hopkins moved the Governing Body approve the closing of the Municipal Pool complex Monday through Thursday after the Shawnee Mission Schools start for the fall semester. The motion was seconded by Dale Beckerman.

Dale Beckerman noted in three weeks last year the City lost approximately \$7500, Mr. Engel stated actual loss was closer to \$8200.

David Belz stated this amount seems miniscule; however, this is the kind of savings the City Council was looking at to balance the 2010 budget and will be looking for again for the 2011 budget.

Al Herrera said the City needs to consider the possibility of a hot summer. Dale Warman asked if there was a heat wave, could the pool be reopened. Chris Engel stated that could be monitored and the pool reopened. Mr. Warman stated the YMCA is available for swimming and acknowledged the need for the City to reduce its spending.

Michael Kelly stated he will not be supporting the motion although he feels this is an issue that needs to be discussed during the budget process. Mr. Engel responded the decision for 2010 needs to be made now in order for the information to be communicated to residents through the Park & Recreation brochure.

The motion to close the pool complex Monday - Thursday after the start of school was voted on and defeated by a vote of 5 to 7 with the following votes cast "aye" Warman, Hopkins, Beckerman, Clark and Belz; "nay" Herrera, Noll, Kelly, Wang, Wassmer, Morrison and Ewy Sharp.

Community Center Sub-Committee

David Belz reported that the committee met last week and is moving forward preparing a RFP to solicit proposals for conducting a feasibility study.

Laura Wassmer asked to clarify that any decision on the feasibility study would not include funding a center. David Belz stated committee is simply seeking a feasibility study and will discuss only the findings of the study. Charles Clark noted the study may

find that it is not feasible and if it finds it is feasible, and then the Council will need to address the issue of funding.

STAFF REPORTS

Administration

- Chris Engel reported there was excellent turnout for the Friends of Sister City reception held for the Dolyna visitors on Saturday, January 30th.
- Quinn Bennion announced the KC STAR Reporter Jennifer Bhargava is no longer with the STAR
- He is working with Representative Kay Wolf on legislation to exclude voluntary e-mail subscription lists, which are currently considered as a public records, from being classified as an open record. Dale Beckerman asked if the City’s mailing list was an open record. Mr. Bennion responded the City’s mailing list for its newsletter is maintained by the printer, not the City.
- Staff will be contacting companies to do an energy audit of the City’s facilities. They will use a list provided by KCP&L of companies that perform free audits.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

Al Herrera noted there are several residents on a cul-de-sac off Nall, with a zip code of 66202, which were not notified of the joint project with the City of Mission. He asked staff to make sure these individuals were included in future notifications.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:

Planning Commission	02/02/2010	7:00 p.m.
Legislative Breakfast & Council Work Session	02/06/2010	8:30 a.m.
Sister City Committee	02/08/2010	7:00 p.m.
Communications Committee	02/09/2010	5:30 p.m.
Parks & Recreation Committee	02/10/2010	7:00 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole (Tuesday)	02/16/2010	6:00 p.m.
City Council (Tuesday)	02/16/2010	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to announce a mixed media exhibit by Shawnee Mission Art Students during the month of February. The reception will be held on February 12th from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

The City offices will be closed on Monday, February 15, 2010 in observance of the President's Day holiday. Deffenbaugh **does not** observe this holiday and trash pick-up will be as usual.

The annual large item pick-up is scheduled for April 24th.

The City Clerk's office has a new style of ceramic coffee mug for sale. They are \$5.00 each.

The 50th Anniversary books, Prairie Village Our Story, are being sold to the public. Council President expressed the condolences of the Council to Laura Wassmer on the death of her father.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk