

**Mount Vernon
City Council
Study Session Minutes
January 2, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Boudreau at 7:06 p.m.

Present: Mayor Boudreau, Councilmembers Fiedler, Hulst, Lindquist, Molenaar, Quam, Ragan and Urban

Staff Present: Police Chief Dodd, Community and Economic Director Hanson, Finance Director Huschka, City Attorney Rogerson, Special Projects Administrator Stendal.

Citizens Present: 3

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of December 15, 2012 payroll checks numbered 100905 - 100953, direct deposit checks numbered 39406 - 39598, and wire transfers numbered 403 and 404 in the amount of \$626,301.04

Councilmember Fiedler moved to approve the December 15, 2012 payroll checks numbered 100905 - 100953, direct deposit checks numbered 39406 - 39598, and wire transfers numbered 403 and 404 in the amount of \$626,301.04. Motion seconded by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 7-0.

- B. Approval of December 26, 2012 claims numbered 128139 - 128141 and 128152 - 128355 in the amount of \$1,216,512.17.

Councilmember Hulst moved to approve the December 26, 2012 claims numbered 128139 - 128141 and 128152 - 128355 in the amount of \$1,216,512.17. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lindquist. Motion carried 7-0.

- C. Committee Report - Public Safety : for details please see Committee Report minutes.

- D. Community Comments

- Richard Boyer came before Council to comment on gun control and mental health facilities.

- E. Reappointments to the Mount Vernon Planning Commission: Mr. Stendal presented a request for Council to approve the Mayor's recommended reappointment of Fred Clark and Al Lyon to the Mount Vernon Planning Commission.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Fred Clark and Al Lyon to the Mount Vernon Planning Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fiedler. Motion carried 7-0.

- F. Reappointments to the Mount Vernon Arts Commission: Mr. Stendal presented a request for Council to approve the Mayor's recommended reappointment of Cathey Frederick, Leslie Moore and Cathy Stevens to the Mount Vernon Arts Commission.

Councilmember Fiedler moved to approve the Mayor's reappointment of Cathey Frederick, Leslie Moore and Cathy Stevens to the Mount Vernon Arts Commission. Motion seconded by Councilmember Molenaar. Motion carried 7-0.

- G. Ordinance - Marijuana in Public : Mr. Rogerson presented Council with a request for approval of an ordinance adopting state law regarding consuming marijuana in public.

Councilmember Hulst moved to approve Ordinance 3592 adopting state law regarding consuming marijuana in public. Motion seconded by Councilmember Quam. Motion carried 7-0.

- H. Council Approval to Purchase Land and Building: Mr. Stendal presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to sign the purchase and sale agreement and any other necessary documentation to purchase 420 Gates Street (building and land) from the property owner in the appraised amount of \$145,000. This acquisition will allow the City to move forward on the goal of constructing a public restroom facility in the downtown area.

Councilmember Molenaar moved to authorize the Mayor to sign any necessary documentation for the purchase of 420 Gates Street building and land. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fiedler. Motion carried 7-0.

- I. Mount Vernon Community Marketing Campaign: Ms. Hanson presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into an inter-local agreement with Sanderson Marketing Group to continue work on the Mount Vernon Marketing Campaign.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an inter-local agreement with Sanderson Marketing Group to continue work on the Mount Vernon Marketing Campaign. Motion seconded by Councilmember Hulst. Motion carried 7-0.

- J. Approval of Amendment to the Professional Services Contract with David Evans and Associates (DEA): Ms. Hanson presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into an amended contract with DEA to perform transportation concurrency review on proposed development projects.

Councilmember Quam moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an amended contract with DEA to perform a transportation concurrency

review on proposed development projects. Motion seconded by Councilmember Lindquist. Motion carried 7-0.

K. Professional Services Agreement with Shelterbelt Inc.: This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

L. Professional Services Agreement with Shunpike Storefronts: Ms. Hanson presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into a professional services agreement with Shunpike Storefronts. This group coordinates artists in storefronts as a method of temporarily placing artists in vacant stores to encourage a more active downtown area.

Councilmember Fiedler moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Shunpike Storefronts. Motion seconded by Councilmember Ragan. Motion carried 7-0.

M. Professional Services Agreement with L.C. Lee & Associates, Inc. Ms. Hanson presented a request for Council to authorize the Mayor to enter into an amendment of the professional services agreement with Dr. Lyndon Lee of L.C. Lee & Associates for technical assistance and peer review of land use and building projects with respect to the implementation of the Mount Vernon Critical Areas Ordinance.

Councilmember Lindquist moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into an amended agreement with L.C. Lee & Associates, Inc. for technical assistance and peer review of land use and building projects relating to the implementation of the Mount Vernon Critical Areas Ordinance. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fiedler. Motion carried 7-0.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

Rebecca J. Wade, Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

Alicia D. Huschka, Finance Director

APPROVE:

Jill Boudreau, Mayor