

**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

March 5, 2014

The City Council of the City of Grand Junction convened into regular session on the 5th day of March, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Auditorium. Those present were Councilmembers Bennett Boeschstein, Martin Chazen, Jim Doody, Duncan McArthur, Phyllis Norris, Barbara Traylor Smith, and Council President Sam Susuras. Also present were City Manager Rich Englehart, City Attorney John Shaver, and City Clerk Stephanie Tuin.

Council President Susuras called the meeting to order. Councilmember Norris led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Appointments

Councilmember Chazen moved to re-appoint Kamie Long and Shirley Nilsen to the Forestry Board for three year terms and appoint Elizabeth Neubauer as an alternate to the Forestry Board for a three year term with all terms expiring November 2016. Councilmember Traylor Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Councilmember Boeschstein moved to re-appoint Lancer Livermont and appoint Laura Bradley and Deanna Pickman to the Commission on Arts and Culture for three year terms with all terms expiring February 2017. Councilmember Doody seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Council Comments

Councilmember Traylor Smith congratulated the Grand Junction Housing Authority on their annual meeting and encouraged everyone to take a look at their annual report.

Councilmember McArthur said he went to the Energy Forum and banquet. It was interesting meeting various people from different areas of the world; some may bring their ideas to fruition.

Councilmember Chazen went to the Young Entrepreneurs Group sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. These are young people that actually start their own companies. He encouraged anyone to attend.

Councilmember Norris said she attended the Incubator meeting and the Maker Space project which is funded in part by the City is almost ready to open up.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he too attended the Energy Forum. On February 27 he went to the meeting with the Canadian Counsel at the Chamber of Commerce. On

February 26 he went to the Commission on Arts and Culture Meeting. On February 25 he went to the Purchase and Development Rights meeting at Mesa Land Trust. He also attended the Vagrancy Committee meeting on February 20.

Citizen Comments

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Norris read and then moved to approve the consent Calendar Items 1 through 3. Councilmember Traylor Smith seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Action: Approve the Summaries of the February 19, 2014 and the February 24, 2014 Workshops and the Minutes of the February 19, 2014 Regular Meeting and the Minutes of the February 24, 2014 Special Meeting

2. Setting a Hearing on the Droskin Rezone, Located at 2726 Patterson Road [File #RZN-2013-547]

Request to rezone 0.375 acres located at 2726 Patterson Road from an R-8 (Residential 8 du/ac) to an R-O (Residential Office) zone district.

Proposed Ordinance Rezoning 0.375 Acres from R-8 (Residential 8 DU/AC) to R-O (Residential Office), Located at 2726 Patterson Road

Action: Introduce a Proposed Ordinance and Set a Public Hearing for March 19, 2014

3. Contract for the 2014 Asphalt Overlay Project

This request is to award a construction contract for the asphalt resurfacing project along arterial roads throughout the City of Grand Junction. A total of 3 locations were selected.

Action: Authorize the City Purchasing Division to Enter into a Contract with Oldcastle SW Group Inc., dba United Companies of Mesa County of Grand Junction, CO for the 2014 Asphalt Overlay Project in the Amount of \$ 498,795.00

ITEMS NEEDING INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**Resolution Concerning Contracting to Complete Full Scope Build-out of the Avalon Theatre Core Renovation Project**

The City has contracted with FCI Constructors, Inc. to renovate the Avalon Theatre as well as build the shell addition to the east of the existing Theatre. As directed by City Council, the City Manager sought and secured additional funding to move toward completion of the Core renovation project that Council authorized.

Additional funding was obtained through a \$1 million Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant as well as continued private fundraising. With those funds, additional work above and beyond what was called for in the current contract will be performed.

The cost to complete the Core project is \$9.65 million. In order to complete the project the existing contract with FCI Constructors, Inc. ("FCI") and other equipment and service providers must be amended.

Rich Englehart, City Manager, presented this item. He reviewed the recent workshop session to discuss the additional scope for the Avalon Theatre Project. Staff was directed to bring forward the change order for formal consideration. The current scope is under budget and on time. The proposal before them is an added scope. The new HVAC will be on the new addition. The additional scope includes a complete re-roofing of the building, a fire suppression system, and finishing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible restrooms. There is also a new concession stand and a completed multi-purpose room where movies will be shown and it will be wired for teleconferencing. The stairway in the front will be completed for access to the mezzanine and upper level. The new scope also includes the rooftop terrace, although it will not be covered as shown in the initial concept drawing.

City Manager Englehart then reviewed the timeline for the project starting in June 2013 with the full core project for \$8.6 million. The current project was a reduced scope for \$7.59 million which meant the addition was only going to be a shell. Additional funding was sought and with a DOLA grant and other grants, additional funding of \$1.06 million was obtained. Staff then asked the contractor to provide a cost for the completed Core Project which is estimated at \$9.65 million. The Commission on Arts and Culture is recommending that \$80,000 from the One Percent for the Arts Program be committed to the project. With that and other resources, there is an \$840,000 gap in funding. It is thought that funding will come through the "Take a Seat" Campaign and the Naming Rights Campaign as well as other Avalon Theatre Foundation (ATF) fundraising. The new scope is 12.2% more than the original cost for the Core Project but costs have increased.

Council President Susuras asked if the Avalon Theatre Foundation has committed to raising \$500,000 of the \$840,000. City Manager Englehart said yes, the Foundation has started to campaign for these funds. Council President Susuras asked if this would leave a \$340,000 shortage for the City. Mr. Englehart confirmed.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked for clarification on the business function of the shell of the originally approved reduced core. City Manager Englehart said even though the DOLA grant allowed for a little more completion on the shell, the shell would not be useable as a part of the business model.

Councilmember McArthur asked if the main floor could be used if construction were stopped. Mr. Kiser, FCI Constructors, said the multi-purpose room would be unfinished. There would be access to the elevator and a portion of the lobby would be finished.

Councilmember Chazen asked if the project does not go forward, would any part of the new building be useable without the fire suppression.

Stan Kiser, 136 Vista Grande, FCI Constructors, said that although it stands right now is fully sprinkled, it is not acceptable for occupancy because it does not have an HVAC system. If the bottom floor were to be completed, that would bring it all up to current code for occupancy. For the cost saving options on the multi-purpose room, there would be no finishes but it could still be used as a staging area for productions but would not be leasable space.

Councilmember Chazen said he was under the impression that even without the fire suppression, that part of the building would be usable. Mr. Kiser said only a small section by the elevator would be useable.

Councilmember Chazen asked what is the cost of the re-roof of the Avalon Theatre. Mr. Kiser said it would be about \$50,000.

Councilmember Chazen asked where the \$80,000 funds from Arts and Culture is coming from. City Manager Englehart said there are \$101,000 reserved for One-Percent of the Arts money which was approved by Council. Councilmember Chazen asked what the source of the \$101,000 was. City Manager Englehart said \$25,000 was from Public Safety Building, however the majority has come from various public projects that was put into reserve over the years.

Councilmember Norris asked for confirmation that currently the \$7.59 million project is done. City Manager Englehart said yes, that phase is currently under construction. Councilmember Norris asked for confirmation regarding the reduced core; it would be just the top level that would be unfinished with a DOLA grant to get through the reduced first core. City Manager Englehart said when fully utilized, it would leave the second

floor and the terrace unfinished. Mr. Kiser confirmed and said the first core consists of just finishing the first floor and did not include the second floor restrooms or lobby space. Councilmember Norris asked if the second floor were not finished, would the mezzanine be useable. Mr. Kiser said the mezzanine in the old Avalon is useable. Councilmember Norris asked if the \$9.65 million will completely finish the first phase. Mr. Kiser said this would complete Phase 1, inside the addition at all levels.

Councilmember Doody asked Mr. Kiser to advise what he had stated in a meeting previous to approval of Phase 1 regarding the increase in cost when constructing in phases. Mr. Kiser explained how these costs increase. Over ten months, prices have gone up because of inflation. There is also a loss on volume discounts for purchases of construction materials. Councilmember Doody said the projections for increase in cost were originally between 10% and 15%. Mr. Kiser said the increase in cost projection has so far been kept at 12%.

Councilmember Doody asked City Manager Englehart about the risk of the initial core project which was \$1.4 million and now it is \$840,000, so the exposure is less. Mr. Englehart said yes the exposure is less.

Councilmember Doody asked for confirmation that the Avalon Theatre is part of the business plan. City Manager Englehart said this is correct, included in this plan is full use of the multipurpose room which is also included in the business plan.

Stuart Taylor, General Manager of Two Rivers Convention Center and the Avalon Theatre, discussed the business plan noting they were asked to put together a very aggressive business plan. They broke down the rooms, projected the number of events, meals, and equipment rentals, for a total revenue of \$580,000. With total expenses of \$392,000, there would be an operating profit of \$188,000. These figures are using all segments of the building and employing an aggressive business model as directed.

Councilmember Doody noted that if the core project were to be fully done, it would have a positive affect for businesses on Main Street. Mr. Taylor said he believes it would. Councilmember Doody said he believes this would also positively impact the economic development in the areas adjacent to Main Street as well.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked how revenues would be affected if the terrace and multipurpose room are not finished. Mr. Taylor said it would have a dramatic effect. If the project is not completely finished, it would come down to one event per night, whereas with a completed project simultaneous events could be held in one night. Councilmember Boeschstein noted that complications can arise from running an event at the Theatre and having a movie at the same time without a black box theatre. Mr. Taylor said just the one event can run without the black box theatre. He

noted that there have been calls to reserve the Avalon for wedding receptions and concerts, although nothing has been booked as of yet.

Councilmember McArthur asked if there is more to come with Phase 2. Mr. Englehart said the direction from Council was not to lose vision of what all this means to the community; the complete build-out Phase 2 portion is specifically for the ability of the entire Grand Junction Symphony to play there. The current phase allows for a reduced symphony. The grand vision is to blow out the back of the wall for stage expansion. Councilmember McArthur asked for an estimate for the cost of the grand vision. Mr. Englehart said it will take a total of about \$12-18 million for the grand vision to be entirely completed.

Councilmember Chazen asked if \$188,000 operating profit projections take into account all overhead involved or does this also involve Two Rivers Convention Center carrying part of the overhead. Mr. Taylor said this projection has taken into account overhead for just the Avalon. Councilmember Chazen said of the original \$7.59 million project, the original risk for the City was \$390,000, and he asked what was originally approved? City Manager Englehart said \$7.59 million was the approved figure. Councilmember Chazen asked if the City has to come up with the \$840,000 shortfall for the full core project, where will the funds come from? City Manager Englehart said some suggestions are: unallocated resources that amount to \$500,000, budget tightening and labor savings in 2013 amounted to another \$900,000, there is the reserve fund (but he would not recommend using reserves), and there may be more savings toward the end of 2014.

Councilmember Chazen asked if the Avalon Theatre Foundation is indeed committing \$500,000.

John Halvorson, President of the Avalon Theatre Foundation, said the Board has set a goal to raise the additional \$500,000. Regarding assurance that the funding will be there, the Foundation has already raised \$1.1 million. If Council approves expansion of the scope of this project, it will encourage more fundraising and more investors. The commitment is good people with a good fundraising plan and a commitment to raise the funds. Some of that money may come from grants which look for City participation, Downtown Development Authority's (DDA's) involvement, and private individuals. There has been good community support. Some grants have already been applied for and are still in the works.

Councilmember Chazen acknowledged that there has been reasonable assurance provided that the City will receive the original \$300,000 back by the end of the year from the Foundation, but noted this is \$500,000 in addition to the current fundraising efforts. Mr. Halvorson said there is a positive track record and faith in the community.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked how many citizens have contributed funds so far. Mr. Halvorson said there have been about 375 individuals.

Councilmember Norris asked Mr. Taylor if there was a profit figure predicted if the multi-use rooms were not built out. Mr. Taylor said with the current business plan the figure is about \$3,000.

Councilmember Chazen said in Council Workshops last June, the pro formas showed a \$40,000 annual profit for the old Avalon Theatre.

Mr. Taylor said there have been profitable years and years of loss. Over the last four years there has been a loss and, for 2012 it was an \$11,000 loss.

Councilmember Chazen said based on the 2012 figures, the City would be going from an \$11,000 loss to a \$3,000 profit with a multi-million dollar renovation. Mr. Taylor confirmed this. Mr. Taylor said the reduced core project would not increase the number of events, however there could be more attendance and more concessions; there was no way to project that dollar amount. The Avalon only gets straight rent along with concessions for events.

Council President Susuras asked City Manager Englehart what Council's commitment to Phase II of the Avalon Theatre is. Mr. Englehart said it is zero.

Council President Susuras asked for a poll of the audience in the auditorium and asked who was for and who was against the change order. The greatest majority of the fully occupied room was in favor and four raised their hands in opposition. He then asked for five delegates from each side to step to the podium to make a public comment. He asked Harry Weiss, DDA Executive Director, and a representative from the Avalon Foundation to speak, and in addition three individuals from the public to speak on behalf of going forward with the change order.

Harry Weiss, DDA Executive Director, said the DDA has long been an advocate for renovation of the Avalon and having a high quality performing arts complex in the Downtown District. Two years ago, the challenge was to raise upwards of \$12 million to start the project in 2017. The DDA Board's intention was to be the lead in this process. The process of getting the project to a point and doing it in phases was smart but comes with risk. Ultimately the decision to buildout in phases is most rational, and has managed to fit in with how the money has flowed, however it leaves the question of chasing a number, and the challenge of capturing a number. This route will be more costly. This is an economic development program for downtown, and an anchor for Main Street. On February 27th the DDA Board directed him to look at how the funding has been financed. The DDA Board took out taxable bonds that are costing \$421,000

per year, and the Board is trying to capitalize on that and will continue to look for other funds.

Martha Barrett Scott, lives downtown, said this is a wonderful community. The Avalon is the cornerstone and it does not make sense to not finish this project. It will bring business, events, and people.

Council President Susuras noted Ms. Scott had given Council a letter which is on file.

Kirk Rider, 872 Quail Run, has previously lived downtown. He thinks downtown is the heart of Western Colorado. He is proud to urge Council to take this step to finish this first phase. This has been a rollercoaster ride for the fundraisers. Energetic fundraisers just got the naming opportunity schedules just last month and the best prospects have not yet been approached; this step will prime them for that extra \$500,000, and this isn't the end. The expanded stage is a key part and will allow big productions. FCI Constructors are so professional, he has no doubt about their ability to deliver.

Joseph Coleman, 2554 Patterson, said the downtown is the soul of the City. He owns properties out by the Mall and on Horizon Drive. Every now and then the Council gets the opportunity to make a stand and make the soul better. He urged completion. Everyone has performed and everyone wants it finished.

Jodi Coleman Niernberg, DDA Chair, owns two businesses downtown; one of them is a restaurant, BIN 707. She also owns a small real estate firm and would love to be able to include the Avalon as one of the suggestions she makes when visitors ask her where to go. She recently leased property at 623 Main Street because of the excitement about the Avalon. She hopes the Avalon will be finished. She and her husband scraped together \$1,000 for a seat and hopes others will too. She and other owners believe a completed Avalon will help fill up empty store fronts. She thanked Council for consideration, and congratulated the work of FCI Constructors.

Kevin McCarty, 525 Arrow Court, he said he predicts fiscal danger. He is aware of the \$840,000 plus \$470,000 and the reality is that the Avalon Foundation still needs to raise \$400,000 to give back to the City, which leaves \$1.6 million in exposure for the City. The economy is down. He believes the City should have built an event center instead of renovating the Avalon Theatre. He has been a professional fundraiser before, and he hopes the Foundation can raise the funds, however there is a difference between pledges and money in the bank.

Richard Schultz, 362 ½ Martello Drive, said he is not opposed to the Avalon but City keeps spending money on this facility. Is this the end or will it be like Two Rivers Convention Center where the City ended up taking ownership. He is also concerned

that this is not the full buildout, as there is still the need to take out the back end of the stage area. He is concerned about the fiscal responsibility.

Councilmember Traylor Smith said although she was not on Council during the time it was decided this project would go forward, at this point the City is in this. She does not think the Avalon would be usable if not finished. Of the \$840,000 shortage, there has been \$470,000 that could be set aside for other things such as economic development. She challenged the community to vote with their dollars. This is a generous community, and if Phase 1 and Phase 2 are important, everyone needs to step up, whether it be \$10 or \$10,000. She challenged the community to raise the other \$840,000 and an additional \$469,000 that could be used for economic development, so that tax dollars are not being used. She is going to donate \$250 to the Avalon Foundation tonight. She asked that those who are in favor to step forward and donate.

Councilmember Norris agreed with Councilmember Traylor Smith, noting all need to step up; it has been disappointing that only 380 people have so far. This is economic development, people come to town to see downtown, visitors love to stay downtown. This project will bring in more shows, fill more stores, and the City will see 7th Street built-out. Phase 1 needs to be completed and until that is done, she cannot think about Phase 2. She supports this move forward and wants to finish what was started.

Councilmember McArthur said if the City does nothing, the Avalon Theatre would be completed. He recommended the first movie shown at the Avalon be "The Money Pit". It is not the project that he is against, it the financing. He is a contractor and loves to build things, but has never started a project without having the money first. It's a hard thing to gamble with other people's money. Many commercial projects are done in phases, and there are other City projects that are not being done that will also end up costing more. He gave kudos to the fundraisers, but he is not willing to gamble.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he is in favor of this project going forward, and has been out in the community to encourage contributions. He and his wife are lowly civil servants and have managed to scrape up \$1,000 for the Avalon project. The City is now considered a metropolitan area and it is fitting to have a first class performing arts center. The Avalon Theatre has widespread community support and can still raise more money. The naming opportunities have just started, and people need to step up. This building will be brought up to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards and life safety standards. This project will revitalize this part of the City and will go along with other improvements the City has been involved with of late including Stocker Stadium and the Public Safety Building, plus funds contributed toward Colorado Mesa University (CMU), hospital expansions, the North Avenue Association, Horizon Drive Business Association, and recent adoption of the Greater Downtown Plan. Having a historic and modernized theatre will be a stimulous to the whole economy. He is happy to support this project going forward.

Councilmember Chazen complimented all the partners involved in the project. The Avalon Theatre Foundation continues to raise money and certain individuals have stepped forward with substantial financial support. He gave kudos to the Downtown Development Authority (DDA), Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), and other grantors for the generous contributions to this project. He thanked FCI Constructors for coming in under budget, on time, and gathering information for the meeting tonight. This is not a runaway project. Nothing said should be misconstrued or detract from the hard work of the City's partners. Again, one year later, the City is wrestling with the financing for this project. Money has been asked for, and it is not guaranteed the City will see it back. About 80% of the funding for this project is government money, and it drains City resources by \$4 million. This may also crowd out other City projects. He believes on a fundamental level this is a commercial venture, this is a place for various groups to have events to meet a profit objective. This should have been treated like a church fund raising project. The City should step back and let the fundraisers do their work. He will be voting against the resolution.

Councilmember Doody thanked FCI Constructors and Chamberlin Architects, Westlake Reed, and the City Staff for all the work that has been done. He has reviewed the history: Downtown Development Authority (DDA) put in \$3 million, the Avalon Theatre Foundation was putting in \$1 million, the City was going to put in \$1 million, which amounts to \$5 million, but there was no \$5 million project. The City has stepped up. Mr. Coleman said it best, downtown is the soul of the City, and because of this project there is excitement. The Reimer family has built three hotels. There is opportunity with this project. He agreed with Councilmember Traylor Smith's challenge to punch it in.

Resolution No. 04-14—A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Contract Adjustments Concerning Completion of the Avalon Theatre Renovation Project

Councilmember Doody moved to adopt Resolution No. 04-14. Councilmember Boeschstein seconded the motion.

Council President Susuras said partners have contributed over \$8 million and it would be unconscionable to decry the full use of the building. Yes, it will cost more but there will then be full use. The City is responsible for the building. The Navy Seals have a saying when going into combat, "Are you going to feed the fear dog or feed the courage dog?" He will be voting yes in favor of the resolution, and will match Councilmember Traylor Smith's contribution.

Motion carried by roll call vote with Councilmembers McArthur and Chazen voting NO.

Council President Susuras called a recess at 8:30 p.m.

The City Council meeting reconvened at 8:36 p.m.

Colorado Law Enforcement and Fire Training Center Grant Request

This request is for authorization to submit a request to the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District for a \$400,000 grant for the development of the Colorado Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Training Center. The grant application is due March 15, 2014.

Rich Englehart, City Manager, presented this item. He explained the grant structure and noted that the City applied to this agency last year for a different project but it was not awarded. The City Council allocated a \$100,000 cash match. The grant will cover 70% of the project, and the City will commit \$57,000. The rest will come from in-kind services and from Colorado Mesa University (CMU) properties they have purchased. This phase is for the model block for purposes of training for both Police and Fire Departments. The grant will cover half of the roadway, paving only a portion, phase 1 burn props, a fuel tank, and a concrete pad for the future burn tower. Other entities will be submitting letters of support as well.

Council President Susuras asked if the County is going to sign on. City Manager Englehart said due to the structure of the granting authority the County has to stay at arm's length.

City Attorney Shaver said it is just for the grant process that the County has to stay at arms length; after this process is over, the Mesa County Sheriff's Office will be part of the training facility.

Fire Chief Ken Watkins said if the grant is awarded, it will allow some fire training. The burn props are commercially made: one is a car fire prop with propane piped in, and can be directed to different parts of the car; the other is a hazardous materials prop (a tank that can be lit); and the third is a propane tree, which will teach firefighters how to shut off gas valves during an incident. A future phase is for concrete for the training tower. There is great support from other Fire Chiefs all over the County who will write letters in support of this. There are no foreseen competing grants from other Fire Departments.

Councilmember Norris asked if the training area on D Road will continue to be used.

Chief Watkins said the D Road property is leased from the State; there is a three story building for high rise and hose training, and a self contained breathing maze. There was a plan to build other props there but due to the location training was very limited. The training facility in Whitewater allows for more latitude, and the plan is to eventually move away from the D Road site.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked if there will be water and sewer at the Whitewater property? Chief Watkins said porta potties will be used for sewer. Constructing a water supply is the next phase. For the smaller props, truck water can be used, but when the classroom phase is built there will be a need for a regular water supply.

City Manager Englehart said the City is also looking at an Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant for water. The intent is to have classrooms there at some point. Clifton Water is having discussions on a water tank as well.

Councilmember Boeschstein asked if County review is needed. City Manager Englehart said if there is any review to take place, yes.

Councilmember Chazen asked if the burn building is far enough away from the Model Airplane Club so as not to create a conflict. Chief Watkins said yes, it will be quite a distance away.

Councilmember McArthur asked how many houses are available to haul to this area and burn? Chief Watkins said there are currently four available now and there will be up to twelve in the next year. Councilmember McArthur asked what happens after there are no more houses to burn? Chief Watkins said this location will not be primary for burn training; the new area will be used for other primary exercises for Police and Fire.

Councilmember Traylor Smith asked how many agencies will be using this training area. Chief Watkins said all law enforcements agencies in the County, as well as smaller agencies like DeBeque and Collbran. The State Patrol is already using the track. All eleven fire agencies will use the facility. It is anticipated it will be of interest to others as well such as agencies from Garfield and Delta Counties.

City Manager Englehart made an application to Garfield County for federal funds but was unsuccessful, however, there were letters of support from that area. There will be a tactical team, and there will be a fee structure developed. This training facility will be able to generate funds to maintain the facility.

Resolution No. 05-14—A Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Request to the Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District for the Development of the Colorado Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Training Center

Councilmember Chazen moved to adopt Resolution No. 05-14. Councilmember McArthur seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Non-Scheduled Citizens & Visitors

There were none.

Other Business

Councilmember Chazen said interviews had been conducted for the Arts and Culture Commission and there were only three applicants for four seats. There is a provision for a Councilmember to serve, and he would like to see if anyone is interested.

Councilmember Boeschstein said he has been informally attending, and would be happy to be formally appointed to this Commission.

Councilmember Norris asked if there is a need for another member from Council or if it needs to be re-advertised.

Councilmember Traylor Smith said she is not certain there is a need to have a Councilmember fill this spot, however, if no citizens come forward to fill this vacancy, then a Councilmember should be appointed.

Council President Susuras said he would prefer to see citizens involved as much as possible.

City Attorney Shaver said the Council could appoint Councilmember Boeschstein as a temporary member, then advertise and fill the position with a citizen.

Council President Susuras said he would like to wait to see if a citizen comes forward to fill the vacancy. The rest of Council agreed.

City Clerk Stephanie Tuin said she would readvertise.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Stephanie Tuin, MMC
City Clerk