

REGULAR MEETING DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 25, 2008

The regular meeting of the Des Moines City Council was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Mayor Sheckler in the City Council Chambers, 21630 11th Avenue South, #B.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the Flag was led by Mayor Sheckler.

ROLL CALL - Present: Mayor Bob Sheckler, Mayor Pro Tem Dan Sherman, Councilmembers Dave Kaplan, Ed Pina, Carmen Scott, Scott Thomasson and Susan White. Also in attendance were City Manager Tony Piasecki, City Attorney Pat Bosmans, Planning, Building and Public Works Director Grant Fredricks, Municipal Court Judge Veronica Alicea-Galvan, Police Commander Kevin Tucker, Associate Transportation Engineer Brandon Carver, SWM Engineer Loren Reinhold, and City Clerk Denis Staab.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Robert Goehring, 1321 South 242nd Street

Mr. Goehring addressed Council expressing his frustration and dissatisfaction with Allied Waste. He stated that over the last two to three years he has had to call the company numerous times about not picking up garbage, recycling or yard waste. He informed Council that Allied Waste's attitude shows a lack of accountability and that the customer is wrong. He stated he and his family are tired of constantly calling the company and being told that they did something wrong. He requested Council take action when it is time to renew the franchise agreement by actively pursuing requests for proposals to find another service company. He thanked City Manager Piasecki for his efforts in trying to correct the situation although it has had no impact on improving the service.

City Manager Piasecki informed Council that he has tried to help but that Planning Aide Dave Steen has done quite a bit of work to try to resolve the issues and has put Allied Waste on notice that there is a customer service problem going on. He assured Council staff has been keeping track of on-going problems and when it comes time to consider whether or not to renew the license with Allied Waste staff will present the information to Council to help make a determination on whether it is appropriate or not to go out for an RFP or to renew the Agreement. He noted he will have to check how many years are left on the agreement. He advised information will be given to Council to allow time to make such a determination on renewing or not.

Upon questioning, City Manager Piasecki stated he will check the Franchise Agreement to see if it contains language similar to the Cable Agreement that requires Allied Waste to report to the City the average of call/complaints and their response time.

Councilmember Pina also requested staff review the Contract and identify what options the City may have in situations like this.

BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS & COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

50th Anniversary Steering Committee

Councilmember Scott advised she recently attended a meeting with approximately 72 people in attendance regarding the planning efforts for the City's 50th anniversary which is on June 17, 2009. She advised the event kick off will be held around New Year's with events planned throughout the summer. Specific events, dates and times will be announced later.

Passenger Ferry Meeting

Councilmember Scott advised she attended a round table discussion with the King County Ferry District and County Councilmember Julia Patterson regarding potential passenger ferry service and there was a lot of input from those in attendance.

Midway Land Use Planning Steering Committee

Councilmember Thomasson reported attending a meeting last night. There were two main subjects: Rail alignment in the neighborhood and general land use changes. He advised that there were three proposed rail alignments: one down Highway 99, one down 30th Avenue South and one down the Freeway. He advised there was absolutely no consensus on alignment, but he did represent Council's adopted policy that it should be along the Freeway and not down the Highway.

Upon questioning, City Manager Piasecki stated this policy was adopted as part of Council's adopted Interlocal Government Policies and Positions. He suggested before the Legislative Session starts Council probably should revisit those policies and positions.

Councilmember Thomasson noted that it makes sense to him to picture a large regional transit center planned on the east side of Highway 99, opposite Highline Community College. He felt this would work for the bus rapid transit and for rail. He noted there are other suggested stops, but every time it stops that adds time to the commute, which defeats the purpose of rapid transit.

Councilmember Thomasson concluded by noting discussion also centered around whether or not to plan the neighborhood around the rail/transit system, or plan the neighborhood for what it should be and then transit should come and support it. Again no consensus.

Environment Committee Meeting

Councilmember Thomasson advised the Committee met earlier this evening to review a few technical changes to the SWM Rate draft ordinance on tonight's agenda. He noted they also reviewed Highline Water District Comprehensive Plan and discovered the District had the zoning wrong for the Pacific Ridge area. The Council as a whole will be reviewing their Comprehensive Plan at a later meeting for approval and/or changes.

Senior Citizen Advisory Committee

Councilmember White advised that last week the Committee toured the new Judson Park facility which is beautiful. She informed Council the Committee is very involved in the community and will be starting in October "Elder Watch" with the objective of collecting and providing an outreach program to help with education, wellness checks, etc. which is supported by South King Fire and Rescue.

Recreation Coordinator for Senior Programs

Councilmember White announced the appointment of a new Recreation Coordinator for Senior Programs, Abbie Nielsen who will be working at the Activity Center.

Passenger Ferry Service

Councilmember White also reported attending the meeting sponsored by King County Ferry District and noted they are looking at a demonstration route from Des Moines to Seattle.

Downtown Planning Process

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman commented that years ago he originally became involved in politics due to his concern for his residential neighborhood east of 8th Avenue South. He advised that once again he is concerned that the neighborhood is getting short changed. He referenced the agenda for the special meeting on Saturday concerning Downtown planning and noted it would appear there are speakers from the business community, as well as developers. He further noted this would appear as if the Council is having special meetings with special interest groups off the record. He suggested the general public should be kept better informed and involved to ensure a more open process.

Downtown Planning Process

Councilmember Scott remarked that she unknowingly may have added to Mayor Pro Tem Sherman's concerns. She acknowledged that she wanted to hear what the business community felt was important to them to be financially viable and she pushed the Mayor and City Manager hard to have some downtown business people at the Saturday retreat to respond to the Storefront Studio Project.

PRESIDING OFFICER'S REPORT

Seminar - Bremerton Marina District

Mayor Sheckler reported attending the 2 day seminar recently, which he found impressive. He advised that he will be receiving a CD Video of the discussions that he will share with Councilmembers to view those discussions they are most interested in.

Seattle Mariner's Association Grant

Mayor Sheckler announced through the efforts of Park and Recreation Director Thorell, Des Moines will be receiving a \$100,000 grant for the improvements to the Field House Park Baseball Field. He noted the Grant will be presented to him before the Mariner's baseball game on Friday evening.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

State of Des Moines Municipal Court

Judge Alicea-Galvan proceeded to provide Council with a detailed overview of the State of Des Moines Court. She advised we have received a \$35,000 grant from the Office of Public Defense which is helping to pay for the Public Defender. She also noted that a "courtesy Defense Counsel" is provided at all stages of criminal proceedings and that Prosecution is also present. She noted cost savings have resulted from probable cause determinations made for weekend bookings. Some of the other areas were highlighted as follows:

FILINGS - CRIMINAL

- 2008 (through 8/31/08) 827 violations
- 2007 1183 violations
- 2006 990 violations

FILINGS - TRAFFIC

- 2008 (through 8/31/08) 4815 violations charged on 3729 citations
- 2007 3680 violations charged on 2530 citations
- 2006 2842 violations charged on 2447 citations

Judge Alicea-Galvan pointed out that jail costs savings have occurred by the reduction of maintenance days versus the number of bookings. On the other hand, she noted that in 2008 increase in costs can be attributed to the provision of counsel at all stages of criminal proceedings which include arraignment and in custody appearances. She noted the increase in police personnel and criminal emphasis patrols will result in a proportional increase of prosecutions and court caseload. A further increase will be the result of the new King County Standards sending more cases to local jurisdictions. She informed Council that the Des Moines court is currently operating at a negative staffing level and even if additional staff were provided, our current facilities are inadequate for any increased staffing needs.

Councilmember Pina advised that in his judgment public safety is the prime function of government and if the County is backing off on providing their level of service, then we need to find a way to get them to stop taxing, and the funds that they collect should be transferred to us.

City Manager Piasecki informed Council that the City Manager's Association is working very closely with the Association of Washington Cities and Suburban Cities to oversee some of these issues.

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman suggested this topic should be sent to a Council Committee to find a coordinated approach to confront the County's behavior.

Upon questioning, Police Commander Tucker advised Council that these financial impacts will not stop the Police from doing their job. He felt the largest impact will be on the Court.

Judge Alicea-Galvan concluded by informing Council that they have a very capable and able Court Administrator and experienced staff that are able to absorb these impacts, but warned they will not be able to absorb for the long term. She also noted even with increased staffing there is not adequate space.

Councilmember Thomasson noted he applauds staff's efforts. He expressed hope that in the budget process Council will see the dollars needed to address the issues and felt this is a high priority.

CONSENT CALENDAR was read by City Clerk Staab.

1. Motion is to approve the regular minutes of August 28 and September 4, 2008.
2. Findings: Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the City Council.

Motion: As of this date the Council, by unanimous vote, does approve for payment those vouchers and payroll transfers included in the above list and further described as follows:

Claim checks #116049 through #116226 & electronic fund transfers in the total amount of \$722,594.89

Payroll fund transfers in the total amount of \$451,444.22

~~3. Draft Ordinance No. 08-205 – Title: An Ordinance of the City of Des Moines, Washington regarding business licensing, repealing chapter 5.44 and underlying~~

~~ordinances, enacting and re-codifying a new chapter 5.44 entitled Electrology and Tattooing, and adopting new sections in Chapter 5.44 DMMC to comply with state laws and codes.~~

~~TWO MOTIONS: First motion is to suspend Council Rule 26(b). Second motion is to approve Draft Ordinance No. 08-205 on first reading.~~ [ED NOTE: Item removed by Councilmember Thomasson.]

4. Draft Resolution No. 08-202 [ASSIGNED NO. 1086] - Title: A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Washington, approving the Agreement between the City of Des Moines and Teamsters Local 763 regarding wages, hours and working conditions for the period January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2009.

MOTION is to approve Draft Resolution No. 08-202.

Councilmember Thomasson removed Consent Calendar Item #3.

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman announced that his favorable vote to approve the Consent Calendar does not include Consent Item #4.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Thomasson, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan and passed unanimously, to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

REMOVED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM

Consent Item #3 - Draft Ordinance No. 08-205 - Repealing and Re-codifying DMMC 5.44 Electrology & Tattooing - 1st Reading

Councilmember Thomasson noted it makes sense to remove our old rules as they are outdated. However he questioned the new rules as all it does is copy State law and reference it. It really does not contain any City standards.

City Manager Piasecki advised that after discussing this with the City Attorney, he feels it is best to do a little more research to determine if this is the right approach. He requested Council delay action on this until October 9th.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Pina, to delay action until the meeting of October 9, 2008. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

Draft Ordinance No. 08-158 - Surface Water Management Rate Adjustment for 2009 - 1st Reading

Mayor Sheckler introduced the subject. He questioned whether anyone had signed up to speak, and the answer was no. He declared the public hearing open.

Surface Water Management Manager Reinhold advised that the draft ordinance contains the following changes:

- Consumer Price Index Correction - Changes from projected to actual
- Changes annual inflation CPI/ENR ratio from 60/40 to 70/30
- Adjusts rates to cover National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit programs
- Adjusts rates to meet Capital Improvement Program goal shortfalls due to funding changes

- Provides an effective date for starting/adjusting SWM rates to new development/existing development adding 500 square feet of new impervious area

He reviewed the 2009 SWM Rate adjustment summary as follows:

2008 rate (current)	\$9.83
2009 Inflation	\$0.40
Additional NPDES Impacts	\$0.35
<u>Capital Improvement Program</u>	<u>\$0.97</u>
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$1.72
Proposed 2009 Rate	\$11.55
Percentage Increase	17.5%

He displayed a Surface Water Utility Rate Survey of 26 comparable cities, noting we are currently below the halfway mark, with the average rate being \$11.15. He stated the proposed 2009 rate will only move us up a couple of steps higher than we currently are and within the median rate of other cities. He pointed out 7 other cities will be raising their rates and two of those will be for more than our rate increase. He continued by stating after a review of the projected 2008 operating expenditures for maintenance and engineering and the total SWM revenue it was determined there is a projected rate revenue deficiency of \$176,871. The reasons for the deficiency were noted as follows:

- Operating labor costs outpacing inflation index used \$21,900
- Includes expenses for NPDES not factored in adjustment
 - 0.15 FTE NPDES Coordinator \$20,000
 - NPDES Consulting \$40,000
 - NPDES permit fee \$12,500
- Other expenses not factored
 - West Nile Virus \$30,000
 - Additional Des Moines Creek Basin O&M \$16,000
 - Department of Corrections \$13,500
 - Outside Equipment Repair \$23,500

He continued by advising that a Capital Improvement Program analysis was also performed. He displayed an updated list of projects which includes original projects, new projects added and updated costs to the original projects. He stated some projects have been placed on hold or removed for various reasons and that the amount of outside funding has been dramatically scaled back as grant/loan funding is becoming more difficult to obtain. He concluded his presentation by noting when considering the 2009 inflation adjustment that would occur with the new method of calculating the CPI index, the annual allocation to the CIP would be \$563,971, exceeding the annual need of \$557,857 and therefore, no further adjustment is required.

Mayor Sheckler called for any public speakers three times and there was no response. He inquired whether Councilmembers had any questions of Administration.

Upon questioning by Mayor Pro Tem Sherman, City Manager Piasecki noted that during the 2009 budget process staff will identify any new dollars in the CIP as a result of approving a SWM increase.

Upon questioning as to the text that was deleted in Appendix A to the draft ordinance, SWM Engineer Reinhold noted this referred to single family property that had very large impervious areas so that they would be treated more similar to how commercial properties are treated. He advised lately we are seeing more single family developments done under modified subdivisions and PUDs where the lot sizes are much less than they use to be.

City Manager Piasecki added with more smaller single family lots being approved, it would be unfair to them as it could potentially put them into a calculation process that could be very unfair to them as their impervious area amount will be about the same as a regular sized single family piece of property. It also would place an undue burden on staff to have to go out and measure individual lots. Removing this language will streamline the process.

Mayor Sheckler declared the hearing CLOSED.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Pina and passed unanimously, to suspend Council Rule 26(b) in order to enact Draft Ordinance No. 08-158 on the first reading.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Pina, to enact Draft Ordinance No. 08-158 adjusting 2009 surface water drainage service charges, revising the annual inflation index calculation, and applying the drainage service charges to new development.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Thomasson and passed unanimously, to amend Section 1, subsection 2, with the language as proposed in the handout distributed referring to the "Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index for the City of Seattle" clarifying it is as March 31st of the current year.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Thomasson, to amend Appendix "A" with the language modifications made in the handout from staff. Motion passed 6 to 1 with Mayor Pro Tem Sherman opposed.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sherman to reduce the increase from \$1.72 to \$1.00, amounting to a 10% increase for this year. Motion FAILED for lack of a second.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION: Motion passed 6 to 1 with Mayor Pro Tem Sherman opposed.

Mayor Sheckler read the ordinance by title into the record.

At 9:25 p.m. Mayor Sheckler called for a 10 minute break.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Travel Policy

Mayor Sheckler introduced the topic noting that this is on the Agenda at the request of three Councilmembers in accordance with Council rules.

Councilmember Pina advised that in his opinion there exists two kinds of meetings, one where you attend to enhance your knowledge and be educated and maybe establish rapport with other

elected officials. The second is meetings attended to represent the City, where you are sent by the City to achieve an end - i.e. grant, change law, etc. He stated he is not addressing the second kind of meeting at all, but only those meetings that are attended for personal knowledge. He noted he would like those meetings limited to no more than one a year per Councilmember and a maximum dollar amount of \$1,500.

Councilmember White speaking personally, felt the things she has most accomplished are because she has attended National League of Cities Conferences, along with the Association of Washington Cities meetings and networking. She stated she does not feel anybody has abused outside meeting attendance. She stated part of Council's job is to put themselves out there to create relationships and do what we can to help the City. She would prefer as a Councilmember to not be restricted in attending outside meetings as it would not be in the best interest of what she was elected to do.

Councilmember Pina remarked that the City is on a very tight budget and he feels one of the areas Council can economize on is what he terms "personal conference travel". He feels personal travel is where a member goes to learn what other cities are doing and how we might want to change policies, compared to where you go to meet with the Legislature to try to raise funds, or to get a law changed that effects our City. He stated we need to prioritize where the money goes.

Councilmember Thomasson expressed agreement with Councilmember Pina for the need to establish some spending limits. During these past years with laying employees off and other budget restrictions, he has cut back on travel opportunities and during these tough economic times, feels Council needs to prioritize. He would prefer to see the budgeted travel funds be used equally among the Councilmembers. He felt the current method of approving each Councilmember's trips is awkward, he would prefer to set some better guidelines for future travel expenses.

Mayor Sheckler suggested staff prepare appropriate language, based on Council's discussion and bring it back to Council for approval on a future Consent Calendar.

City Manager Piasecki reminded Council that the current travel policy is by a motion made in 2005.

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman noted he has not taken many trips, and he has not resented any trips made by other Councilmembers. He felt it should not be taken personally if a member is told "no" they cannot take a trip. He felt Council can control travel by the amount budgeted and currently any trip over \$150.00 must be approved by Councilmembers. He felt it is unnecessary to establish a bunch of rules. Council can talk to each other and determine if it is a trip that should be approved or not.

Councilmember Kaplan agreed this is a budget issue and while Council can set an overall dollar limit, it can be dominated by one or two Councilmembers. He felt travel should be self regulated but it is not, so it puts Council in a position of having to say no. This is not because the event may not be a worthwhile to attend, but because it results in one Councilmember dominating the limited resources that are available. While he agrees it is good not to set unnecessary rules, he feels this is a time that we need to establish some guidelines to set limits on Council travel.

Councilmember White spoke against setting limits as she feels it is important to establish relationships in order to achieve economic development, funding needs, etc.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Pina, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan, that the Council limit member requested paid personal conference travel and expenses to one trip per calendar year. MOTION LATER WITHDRAWN.

Councilmember Scott felt the motion does not restrict Councilmembers from attending outside meetings, it is only restricting members from using City money for those trips that are not required.

Mayor Sheckler questioned if this includes trips Council specifically directs a member to attend.

Upon questioning by Mayor Sheckler as to whether staff understands Council's consensus, City Manager Piasecki responded that his understanding is that individual Councilmembers be limited to one City paid personal trip per year. There is no dollar amount in that motion and felt there should be an amendment that says "unless otherwise directed by the City Council".

The maker and seconder WITHDREW the motion.

Councilmember Thomasson noted there is a big difference between a two or three day trip to the east coast with airfare, hotel and meals and a one day trip to Tukwila with mileage and lunch, however with the language of one trip per year they will count as the same.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Thomasson, seconded by Councilmember Pina, to direct staff to craft language for a replacement for current travel policy, along the guidelines as discussed by Council.

City Manager Piasecki noted the comments he has heard are one trip per calendar year, overnight, unless otherwise directed by Council.

Councilmember Pina CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. Failed for lack of a second.

Councilmember Sherman stated that if Councilmembers are concerned about the money being spent on travel then we should just put in zero for the travel budget. He felt Councilmembers should be able to make these decisions on an individual basis.

Councilmember Kaplan requested staff prepare a chart of each Councilmember's trips taken in the last two and a half years.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed 5 to 2 with Councilmember White and Mayor Pro Tem Sherman OPPOSED.

Authorization to Request a Variance from Municipal Code Requirement to Underground Overhead Utilities

Mayor Sheckler introduced the subject.

Planning, Building & Public Works Director Fredricks noted the issue involves fiber optic cable from Pacific Highway South down South 216th. He advised this has been discussed with the

Public Safety and Transportation Committee. He stated we have an opportunity at a very low cost to have the cable installed. While he understands the City policy set out in the Municipal Code which requires the undergrounding of utilities, there is a Variance procedure set out in the same Code and staff is asking Council to allow them to go to the Hearing Examiner and make the case in accordance with the criteria set out in the Code that will allow us to install the cable in the air until such time as the permanent improvements along S 216th are made. He advised that the City should be subjected to the same rules that apply to any other public or private entity.

Associate Transportation Engineer Carver addressed Council noting there are two projects that are driving this issue. One is by King County Metro and the other by the State of Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT). He described them as follows:

- King County Metro, through the Transit Now voter approved package, is designing a communication line as part of the Rapid Ride A-line. It is funded and construction will begin next year.
- State of WA "Traffic Busters" to interconnect cities with video with fiber optic communication to share data, view traffic cameras, along with improved signal operations.

He advised that the City has an opportunity to jump on the design and partner with WSDOT as they have committed to helping the City with some funds, also at the same time build the City's Intelligent Transportation System and build our own communications network. This network would provide connections in the future to the City Hall, Police Station, Recreation Center, Senior Activity Center, Public Works Service Center and eventually the Redondo Police Substation. He noted the cost difference between overhead \$27,000 and nearly \$500,000 to underground is significant. He displayed a photo depicting a small overhead wire attached to the current overhead wires along South 216th.

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman noted he understands the concept and the benefits to the City and questioned when staff thinks it would be permanently installed underground.

Associate Transportation Engineer Carver responded that would be primarily dependent upon the Des Moines Creek Business Park development.

MOTION was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sherman, seconded by Councilmember White, to authorize Administration to request a variance allowing the overhead installation of an interim aerial fiber optic communication line on South 216th Street between 11th Avenue South and 24th Avenue South, in accordance with variance procedure outlined in DMMC 12.48.230, in order to avoid incurring City costs for which funds are not available thereby eliminating the possibility of making this technology available to the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Sherman stated this makes a lot of sense and fiber optic is the way to go. He felt it makes no sense to underground this one wire while everything else is above ground.

Councilmember Thomasson questioned whether the fiber optic systems being run by the State and Metro are regulated or not, and do they fall under the City's franchising authority.

City Manager Piasecki advised they would not be regulated like a franchise, as they are not utilities. However, they are a community type facility that it is in our right-of-way and therefore the right-of-way rules and overhead versus undergrounding rules would apply. Which also allows for a Variance request.

Councilmember Thomasson remarked in regards to staff's request, when he reads the Variance procedure and what the Hearing Examiner can consider, he does not feel this will qualify for a Variance as price is not a consideration under our current Code. He advised he will vote no as this is not a valid variance request based on our current law.

Planning, Building and Public Works Director Fredricks stated that staff needs to convince the Hearing Examiner that the City meets the technological standard that is listed under consideration for a Variance.

Upon a suggestion by Councilmember Thomasson, City Manager Piasecki suggested staff contact Comcast and inquire about entering into a Contract to provide a connectivity service between City buildings. They may say they need to upgrade their wire on South 216th and they could just wrap the new wire around their old wire and we could possibly avoid doing a Variance.

Councilmember Pina felt perhaps Council should change the ordinance regarding variance requirements because the City needs this technology.

Councilmember Scott expressed agreement with Councilmember Pina. She noted technology is constantly changing. She felt if an old rule is too hard bound to allow us to do something sensible, we should change the rule.

VOTE ON MOTION: Motion passed 6 to 1 with Councilmember Thomasson opposed.

Downtown Planning - Policy Direction

MOTION was made by Councilmember Pina, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan and passed unanimously, to move this agenda item to the meeting of October 2, 2008.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Mayor Sheckler noted there will be a Special Meeting on Saturday, September 27th and the next regular meeting will be a study session on October 2, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:28 p.m. **MOTION** was made by Councilmember Kaplan, seconded by Councilmember Kaplan and passed unanimously, to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Denis Staab
City Clerk

ACTION ITEMS FROM MEETING OF 9/25/08

- Review Allied Waste Contract regarding poor customer service & what options may be available to the City.

- Draft language to amend Council's current travel policy to limit individual trips to one overnight trip per year unless otherwise directed/authorized by Council as a whole.
- Prepare chart of all trips taken by individual Councilmembers in the last 2 ½ years.
- Contact Comcast and inquire about a contract to provide connectivity services between City facilities.