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FERGUSON CITY COUNCIL

**OUT-GOING/IN-COMING
Council Meeting, April 17, 2007**

Council Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

**CITY HALL
110 Church Street**



OUT-GOING COUNCIL MEETING

The out-going meeting of the Ferguson City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 17, 2007 by Mayor, Brian P. Fletcher, in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 110 Church Street, Ferguson, Missouri. Mayor Fletcher requested that everyone stand for a moment of silent prayer, after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. On roll call the following Council Members were present:

Mayor Brian P. Fletcher
John Corson
Michael Salant
James Knowles
James Hines
Peggy Faul
Tim Larson

Also present were City Manager John Shaw, City Attorney Stephanie Karr and Deputy City Clerk, Sonya Brooks. Ms. Brooks declared a quorum was present.

Mayor Fletcher welcomed all present and explained the first meeting would be the Out-Going Council portion and the second meeting would be the In-Coming Council portion, Public and Business Portion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joe Orlando, 100 Robert Avenue – shared his concerns regarding the number of car thefts within Ferguson. Mr. Orlando would like the City Manager to review the monthly crime rates in auto theft. Mayor Fletcher requested staff to research and compare auto theft numbers with surrounding cities similar to Ferguson.

There being no further public comments, Mayor declared the public portion closed at 7:05 p.m.

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BUSINESS PORTION

MINUTES

Council Meeting Minutes – March 27, 2007. A motion was made by Council Member Larson, seconded by Council Member Corson, and carried to approve the Council meeting minutes of March 27, 2007, and file as appropriate.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Fletcher read a Proclamation that will be presented to Cathy Bono who is the *North County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year* at a ceremony in her honor on April 19, 2007.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2007-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF FERGUSON, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR WEBSITE SERVICES WITH ICON ENTERPRISES, INC. D/B/A CIVICPLUS was introduced by Council as a whole and read by City Attorney, Stephanie Karr. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7 – Salant, Knowles, Hines, Fletcher, Faul, Larson, Corson

NOES: 0

Resolution passes. 7-0

City Manager, John Shaw gave a brief summary of the process to seek out new web service. Council Member Larson shared that CivicPlus will increase functionality, staff members can update, and in the long term it will make other things possible.

Mayor Fletcher inquired about photos for the site and the timeline of completion. Nez Savala, Community Relations Coordinator stated upon approval and actual start 17-24 weeks.

BILLS REQUIRING SECOND READING

BILL NO. 6786 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2006-3277 AND IN LIEU THEREOF APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE CONTRACTOR FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI – ST. LOUIS RELATING TO PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE LOCATION OF AN ART STUDIO AND EXHIBITION FACILITY WITHIN THE CITY OF FERGUSON, was introduced by Council as a whole and read the first time.

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A motion to read the Bill a second time and place it upon its passage was made by Council Member Faul, seconded by Council Member Larson.

On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7 - Knowles, Hines, Fletcher, Faul, Larson, Corson, Salant

NOES: 0

Bill passes 7-0.

Bill No. 6786 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 6786 thus became Ordinance No. 2007-3305 and is permanently recorded in Book 29 on page 19.

BILL NO. 6787 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 3-20 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR ADULT-RELATED BUSINESSES AND CLARIFYING THE DISTRICTS IN WHICH THESE BUSINESSES MAY BE LOCATED, was introduced by Council as a whole and read the first time.

A motion to read the Bill a second time and place it upon its passage was made by Council Member Corson, seconded by Council Member Salant.

On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7- Hines, Fletcher, Faul, Larson, Corson, Salant, Knowles

NOES: 0

Bill passes 7-0.

Bill No. 6787 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 6787 thus became Ordinance No. 2007-3306 and is permanently recorded in Book 29 on page 20.

CERTIFICATION OF APRIL 3, 2007 ELECTION RESULTS

The results of the April 3, 2007 election were presented and all Council Members present certified the Election results. Mayor announced the new and re-elected Council Members were Frances "Fran" Grecco – Ward 1, James W. Knowles, III – Ward 2 and Kynan S. Crecelius – Ward 3. Mayor congratulated and welcomed the Council Members.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Salant congratulated the Incoming Council members and passed on a job well done to Outgoing members.

Mr. Hines also congratulated the new Incoming Council members. Mr. Hines wants to call for a Charter Review committee to convene and review the Charter.

Mrs. Faul thanked Council Member Larson for his service and expressed her appreciation of working with him. Wished Council Member Corson good luck and thanked him for helping her to look at things from more of an architectural view.

Mrs. Faul wanted to make Council and Staff aware of the lights out on W. Florissant.

Mayor Fletcher presented a plaque and thanked Council Member John Corson for his years of dedication and service to the City as a member of the Ferguson City Council from 2003-2007 and Council Member Tim Larson from 2005-2007.

Mr. Corson would like to see the Donation Receptacles discussed by the new Council.

Mr. Corson shared his thoughts on the City from his years of service on the Council. Advised the new Council members to consider the issues of the City as a whole. Further suggested that more commitment and better communication will help the Council move forward.

Mr. Larson thanked Council Member Corson for his years of service. Thanked the City for allowing him to serve on the Council and welcomed the new Council members. Further thanked the Council for their hard work. And will continue to be active in the community.

Mr. Larson also endorsed Council Member Hines' suggestion for a Charter Commission.

City Clerk – shared that she enjoyed working with Mr. Corson and Mr. Larson and wished them well.

ADJOURNMENT-SINE DIE 7:30 p.m.

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IN-COMING COUNCIL MEETING

The in-coming meeting of the Ferguson City Council was called to order at 7:35 p.m. on April 17, 2007 by Mayor, Brian P. Fletcher, in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 110 Church Street, Ferguson, Missouri.

OATH OF OFFICE

Deputy City Clerk, Sonya Brooks gave the Oath of Office to the new and returning Council Members.

On roll call the following Council Members were present:

Mayor Brian P. Fletcher
Kynan Crecelius
Michael Salant
James Knowles
James Hines
Peggy Faul
Fran Grecco

Also present were City Manager John Shaw, City Attorney Stephanie Karr and Deputy City Clerk, Sonya Brooks. Ms. Brooks declared a quorum was present.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There being no further public comments, Mayor declared the public portion closed at 7:37p.m.

BUSINESS PORTION

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

A motion was made by Council Member Salant, seconded to appoint Council Member Faul as Mayor Pro Tem.

A motion was made by Council Member Faul, seconded to appoint Council Member Knowles as Mayor Pro Tem.

Motion passed with a majority vote (4-3) to appoint Council Member Faul as Mayor Pro Tem for 2007-2008.

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APPOINTMENTS

Council Representatives to Boards and Commissions, Mayor Brian Fletcher appointed: Council Member Michael Salant to the Planning and Zoning Board; Council Member Kynan Crecelius to the Library Board; Council Member Fran Grecco to the Traffic Board and Architectural Review Board.

BILLS REQUIRING FIRST READING

BILL NO. 6788 –AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTHPARK PARTNERS LLC FOR THE SALE OF PROPERTY, was introduced by Council as a whole and read the first time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ms. Grecco thanked the community for their support. And encouraged the community to help her serve the City the best she can.

Ms. Faul welcomed the new Council members. Would also like to revisit Landlord initiative. She made a plea for more members for Boards & Commissions.

Mr. Hines requested Council receive a complete list of Boards and Commissions for 2007. And he encouraged new Council members to also push for Boards and Commission members.

Mr. Knowles reiterated the need to establish a Charter Review Committee. Mr. Knowles would like to see a Youth or Teen Board/Committee formed to address age specific needs.

Mr. Knowles thanked Council Members Corson and Larson for their service. Hopes to see them continue to work in the community.

Mr. Salant welcomed the new Council members on board. Thanked Council Members Corson and Larson for their service.

Mr. Salant suggested Staff and the City Attorney put together an orientation package for new Council and Board members. Mr. Knowles added that the Missouri Municipal League Conference will be held soon and new members should attend.

Mr. Crecelius thanked the out-going Council members for their service to the community. And he looks forward to working with the Council. Mr. Crecelius shared a little of his background and interest in joining the Council.

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Mr. Shaw thanked outgoing Council members for their service, welcomed back Council Member Knowles, and congratulated new Council members.

Mr. Shaw gave a brief Manager's update on the status of the January Wabash Building. In addition, shared there will be a meeting with Mr. Jim Otis which will include Black Oaks subdivision regarding a resubmit of a rezoning request for Sonic.

Mr. Shaw informed Council that he met with Allied Waste and they will begin delivering recycling containers to residents. Mr. De'Carlon Seewood, Assistant City Manager explained the process.

Mr. Shaw reminded Council members to RSVP for the North County Inc. Awards Breakfast to be held Friday, May 4th.

Mayor Fletcher requested review of the Emergency Preparedness Packet. Mayor Fletcher would like to see the use of a Rolling Calendar. Inquired if the Rolling Calendar can be added to the new website.

Mayor Fletcher shared a letter he received from a resident (Park Ridge Apts) regarding property tax credit.

There being no further business to consider, Council Member Salant, moved to adjourn, seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Sonya Brooks, Deputy City Clerk