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Monday, October 20, 2008

Informational Meeting			4:00 p.m. at Carne
gie Town Hall			
Sioux Falls City Council			235 West 10th Str
eet			

Members Present: Kenny Anderson Jr., Vernon Brown, J. Pat Costello, Greg Jamison, De Knudson, Bob Litz, and Kermit Staggers.

Members Absent: Gerald Beninga, and Mayor Dave Munson.

Staff Present: Debra A. Owen, City Clerk, and Assistant City Clerk, Denise D. Tucker.

1. Call To Order

Council Chair Litz called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. City Council Staff Report

A. Updates from Debra A. Owen, City Clerk

Owen reminded the City Council of: the Charter Revision Tour, of the Law Enforcement Center, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday; the Housing First Committee Meeting, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Siouxland Health and Human Services Building; the Land Use Committee will meet at 5:00 p.m. on Monday; the Charter Revision Commission Meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m. next Tuesday; and the Districting Commission will meet at 4:00 p.m. next Tuesday.

Discussed voter turnout and the Charter Revision. Voter turnout for: the 2005 Rec Center Vote, 23.6%; April 2006 the Mayoral Race and City Council, 37%; runoff (two weeks later) for the Mayoral Race, 33.5%; 2007 Drake Springs Pool, 14.9%; and the 2008 City Council, 14.6%.

Discussed the Charter Revision Commission and changing the terms of City Council members.

Summary of amendments for the 7:00 p.m. meeting.

Knudson discussed elections.

Knudson encouraged other City Council Members to attend the Housing First Committee Meeting.

Staggers inquired who is asking the Charter Revision Commission about term limits for the City Council. Discussion followed.

3. Mayor Munson

No report.

4. Audit Committee

Costello said there was an Audit Committee Meeting last week and they reviewed a number of reports. Two Audit reports will be presented at the Informational Meeting next Monday.

5. Fiscal Committee

Costello said there was a discussion about a cell phone policy and it will be coming before the Council regarding a stipend for Council members so they only have to carry one device. He said they also heard some information from the Planning Department regarding TIFs (Tax Increment Financing) and a recommendation to bring in someone from Pierre, to discuss TIFs. Discussion followed.

6. Land Use Committee

Jamison said they will be meeting next Monday at 5:00 p.m. The topics are railroad crossings (on the east side of Sioux Falls), garbage hauling and recycling.

7. Public Services Committee

Anderson Jr. said they had a meeting last week and the discussion was on the Code of Ethics ordinance, and City Events and Block Parties ordinance.

8. City Council Open Discussion

Anderson Jr. said the Public Services Committee is looking at security at the Carnegie Town Hall. He asked the Council to email him any questions or concerns.

9. Staff Report

No report.

10. Executive Session

There was none.

11. Adjournment

Council Chair Litz adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

Denise D. Tucker
Assistant City Clerk