

**LODI CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CARNEGIE FORUM, 305 WEST PINE STREET
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2010**

A. Roll call

The Special City Council meeting of April 13, 2010, was called to order by Mayor Katzakian at 7:04 a.m.

Present: Council Member Hansen, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Mounce, Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, and Mayor Katzakian

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager King, City Attorney Schwabauer, and City Clerk Johl

B. Regular Calendar

B-1 Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for Interim City Manager Services with the Bartlam Group (CM)

City Manager King provided a brief presentation regarding the potential agreement for Interim City Manager services with the Bartlam Group. Specific topics of discussion included the term of the agreement, salary, hours of work, budgeted amount for current City Manager, and comparable salaries in other communities for interim services.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, Mr. King stated staff does not want to have a wage and hour issue and the minimum 40-hour requirement sets forth a certain expectation with some flexibility. Mr. Schwabauer stated the minimum is 40 hours but the individual must be available at all times.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. King confirmed that the other candidates wanted \$140 per hour or more plus housing and transportation assistance, although there was one candidate who was willing to take the current City Manager compensation.

Council Member Johnson made a motion, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, to adopt Resolution No. 2010-45 authorizing the execution of an agreement for interim City Manager services with the Bartlam Group.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hansen, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Mounce, Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, and Mayor Katzakian

Noes: None

Absent: None

B-2 Update on Local Video Production (CM)

City Manager King provided a brief introduction to the subject matter of the local video production options.

Communications Specialist Jeff Hood provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the local video production options. Specific topics of discussion included the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 (DIVCA) fee, effective date of December 19, 2009, initial check from AT&T, \$20,000 in May from Comcast, budgeting \$85,000 a year, video companies providing

no other support, survey regarding citizens watching local meetings, U-Verse options, equipment cost of \$15,000, access to meetings and City-generated programming, Comcast upgrades options, Carnegie Forum audio, cost of audio replacement at \$85,000, and other possibilities including audio, visual, and camera needs at other City facilities such as Hutchins Street Square.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. King stated AT&T/U-Verse has been available to some parts of the City for approximately six months although it is not sure of how many customers it specifically has.

In response to Mayor Katzakian, Mr. Hood and Mr. King confirmed that the Council meetings would be available on both U-Verse and Comcast as U-Verse would have a dedicated channel while Comcast would continue its current method of broadcast.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Hood stated there is an on line aspect to U-Verse although the primary use is through a dedicated channel on television.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Hood confirmed that U-Verse is not available in all parts of the City.

In response to Council Member Mounce, Information Systems Manager Steve Mann stated the life expectancy of the \$15,000 equipment is probably five years at a minimum, a support contract can be purchased for a reasonable amount, and equipment costs could reduce over time.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. King confirmed that \$85,000 is the anticipated revenue and staff is seeking direction on how to spend that amount.

In response to Council Member Johnson, Mr. Hood stated the \$85,000 is coming from both Comcast and AT&T/U-Verse, there is no prohibition on spending the revenue, the quality of programming is not as good on AT&T/U-Verse although it is making progress by way of video and signal quality.

In response to Mayor Katzakian, Mr. Mann stated the new equipment will be able to feed the signal to Granicus, Comcast, and AT&T/U-Verse.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, Mr. Mann stated a fully upgraded sound system in Carnegie Forum will cost approximately \$85,000, which is a year of the DIVCA revenue. He stated the smaller replacement of some equipment for the audio system will cost approximately \$10,000.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, Mr. Hood stated the U-Verse system may require some staff time in the beginning to get the system up and running but that should minimize in the long run.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. King and Mr. Hood confirmed that, if the Council chose to replace the entire audio system in the Carnegie Forum, it could do so but would need to wait an entire year for other expenditures from these funds.

In response to Mayor Katzakian, Mr. King stated if the sound system in Carnegie was to go out, the emergency fees would be paid from and reimbursed to the DIVCA account.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Hood stated there is no issue with taking money from AT&T and not being on its air time.

In response to Myrna Wetzel, Mr. Schwabauer explained the DIVCA ordinance and related State

legislation, stating that, while AT&T is not permitted to redline boundaries, it can make a business decision as to where it would like to locate.

Council Member Johnson made a motion, second by Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, to authorize staff to research and spend from the \$85,000 DIVCA amount up to \$15,000 for the new AT&T/U-Verse equipment as discussed and \$10,000 for upgrades to the audio system in Carnegie Forum as discussed.

VOTE:

The above motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Member Hansen, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Mounce, Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, and Mayor Katzakian

Noes: None

Absent: None

B-3 Receive Information on State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (CCR Title 23, Division 2, Chapter 2.7) (PW)

City Manager King provided a brief introduction to the subject matter of the model water efficient landscape ordinance.

Public Works Director Wally Sandelin provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the model water efficient landscape ordinance. Specific topics of discussion included water conservation, reduction of irrigation runoff, reduction of pollution in waterways, legislative authority, alternatives, ordinance application, permit package, soil management report, landscape design plan, irrigation design plan, grading design plan, and maintenance schedules.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, Mr. Sandelin stated the audit may include a review of plant materials, type of irrigation, and amount of runoff among other things. Mr. Sandelin confirmed the audit would most likely need to be completed by the Water Utility staff and generally everything over one acre would have to be audited. Mr. Sandelin stated the law does not have a strong enforcement mechanism to it at this time and is a good opportunity for public education and outreach.

In response to Mayor Pro Tempore Hitchcock, Mr. Sandelin stated the permit package goes along with the new development package for properties.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the one-acre or larger requirement applies to all existing and new parcels.

In response to Mayor Katzakian, Mr. Sandelin stated the gutter drainage is a part of design standards as well and the City Council took action on that some years ago.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. Sandelin stated the custom standards apply to landscaping for commercial, residential, and industrial uses.

In response to Council Member Hansen, Mr. King stated for landscaping and maintenance districts the cost would be included and distributed proportionately.

Michael Engle, a landscape architect, spoke in support of the proposed landscaping ordinance, stating many developers and contractors are already complying with the standards and it is not overly cumbersome to implement. A brief discussion ensued between Mr. Engle and Council Member Mounce regarding the same.

C. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 a.m.

ATTEST:

Randi Johl
City Clerk