

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
PUBLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS**

The Council convened in regular Session in the County Board Meeting Room, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, at 7:35 p.m., Monday, April 25, 2011.

The Meeting was opened by Pledging Allegiance to the Flag followed by moment of silent prayer.

The Meeting was called to order by the Mayor who directed the City Clerk to call the roll and the following members answered present:

**Aldermen: Judy Stearns, Mboka Mwilambwe, Bernie Anderson, David Sage, John Hanson, Jennifer McDade, Steven Purcell, Karen Schmidt, Jim Fruin and Mayor Stephen F. Stockton.**

**Deputy City Manager Barbara Adkins, City Clerk Tracey Covert, and Corporate Counsel Todd Greenburg were also present.**

**Staff absent: David Hales, City Manager.**

**The following was presented:**

SUBJECT: Proclamations

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the proclamations be made a matter of record.

**BACKGROUND:** The proclamations will be presented:

1. Declaring May 1, 2011 through May 7, 2011 as Municipal Clerk's Week.
2. Parental Alienation Awareness Day April 25, 2011.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Tracey Covert  
City Clerk

Recommended by:

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Mayor Stockton read from and presented the Municipal Clerk's Week Proclamation to Tracey Covert, City Clerk. He added that the City Clerk's Office was the gears that kept the City's wheels running. This Office is often taken from granted. He noted the Clerk's Office interface with the public. The City Clerk maintained the Council's minutes and acted as its Parliamentarian. This Office also addressed the safe keeping of the City's historical records. It was appropriate to give recognition to this Office once a year.**

**Mayor Stockton read and presented the Parental Alienation Awareness Day Proclamation to Suzy Mahoney. This issue has been recognized by various organizations and professionals. This proclamation would raise awareness in order for this issue to be addressed. Ms. Mahoney addressed the Mayor and Council. She thanked them for the Proclamation. It would be shared with the Central Illinois Shared Parenting Group. This group's goal was to create awareness and provide education to others. There was a common goal with the community at large to improve the health and lives of children and their families.**

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the proclamations be made a matter of record.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

Appreciation – Alderman John Hanson.

**Mayor Stockton noted that this would be Alderman Hanson last regular Council Meeting. The City depended upon its Council. The Council had great responsibility for the community. A Council is made up of individuals. He read and presented a plaque to Alderman Hanson in recognition of his five (5) years of service to the City.**

**Alderman Anderson expressed his belief that he would continue to call on Alderman Hanson.**

**Alderman Fruin expressed his appreciation to the Mrs. Hansons, (mother and wife). It had been a pleasure to work with Alderman Hanson. Alderman Hanson was a credit to the community. He would be missed by the Council.**

Alderman Hanson expressed his intention to stay engaged and be involved in the community. He expressed his appreciation for his appointment to the Council. He encouraged all to try public service. His time on the Council had been a great experience. The perception one has of the Council is not the reality. Council members do not always agree. The Council had grown. He cited Council retreats and public meetings as examples of this fact. The key was for the Council was to be engaged. He planned to take a break from public service. He was uncertain of what might be next. He thanked City staff. As a collective group, he cited the time, effort, care, and compassion shown in their efforts to do the right thing. He cited the tough economic times. He extended his appreciation to City staff and the media as all had treated him fairly. He believed that he had maintained good working relationships with all.

Alderman Fruin read the same statement that appeared on the August 23, 2010 Council meeting prior to voting. He added that it only applied to the Consent Agenda.

The following was presented:

SUBJECT: Council Proceedings of April 11, 2011 and Executive Session Minutes of March 28, 2011

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the reading of the minutes of the previous Council Proceedings of April 11, 2011 and Executive Session Minutes of March 28, 2011 be dispensed with and the minutes approved as printed.

**BACKGROUND:** The Council Proceedings of April 11, 2011 and Executive Session Minutes of March 28, 2011 have been reviewed and certified as correct and complete by the City Clerk.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Tracey Covert  
City Clerk

Recommended by:

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the reading of the minutes of the previous Council Meeting of April 11, 2011 and Executive Session Minutes of March 28, 2011 be dispensed with and the minutes approved as printed.**

The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

**SUBJECT:** Change Order to a Professional Services Agreement with AECOM, Inc. to Add the Design of an Access Hatch for the Maintenance of Pumps in a Below Ground Vault at the Water Treatment Plant

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Change Order to the Agreement with AECOM, Inc. in the amount of \$8,000 be approved.

**BACKGROUND:** AECOM, Inc. is currently designing a direct injection carbon dioxide system at the Water Treatment Plant. As part of the construction of this project, work in below ground vaults and pipe chases is necessary. The proposed work on the access hatch to the sludge vault was not included in the original design project. During the time of the design project, maintenance was necessary in the below grade vault that houses the transfer pumps. This work was slow and dangerous. Currently equipment in the vault must be winched up or down stairs as the stairwell is the only access. Staff determined it would be cost effective to have the contractor performing this work to add an access hatch. The access hatch will be used on a periodic basis to safely remove and replace equipment in the below grade vault.

Staff requested a quotation for this additional work from AECOM, Inc. AECOM, Inc. proposed \$8,000 to add the vault access to the design of the carbon dioxide system. Staff has reviewed this proposal and found it to be reasonable for the scope of work required. This work will include the relocation of some electrical equipment in the vault, the saw cutting of the hatch opening in the roof slab for the vault and the placement of the prefabricated aluminum access hatch.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The total construction project was competitively bid (four bidders) for \$525,600. This change order will require the payment of an additional \$8,000 from the Water Department Operating Fund, Water Maintenance and Operations, Water Purification Division, Design Services, #5010-50100-50130-72540. That fund has a positive balance. This change order will have little impact on the Water Department's overall budget.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Financial review by:

Recommended by:

Craig M. Cummings  
Director of Water

Timothy Ervin  
Director of Finance

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the Change Order to the Agreement with AECOM, Inc. in the amount of \$8,000 be approved.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

SUBJECT: Bills and Payroll

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the bills and payroll be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the various amounts as funds are available.

**BACKGROUND:** The list of bills and payrolls will be posted on the City's website on Thursday, April 21, 2011 by posting via the City's web site.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Total disbursements information will be provided via addendum.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Recommended by:

Timothy Ervin  
Director of Finance

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

(ON FILE IN CLERK'S OFFICE)

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the bills and payroll be allowed and orders drawn on the Treasurer for the various amounts as funds are available.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

SUBJECT: Appointments and Reappointments to Various Boards and Commissions

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the appointment and reappointments be approved.

**BACKGROUND:** I ask that you concur with the following appointments to the Bloomington Housing Authority Commission, Bloomington Public Library Board, and the Police Pension Fund Board:

Police Pension Fund Board:

Appoint Donald A. Wilkey, 107 Ruth Rd. His two (2) year term would begin May 1, 2011.

Bloomington Public Library Board:

Reappoint Patsy Bowles, 1208 E. Elmwood Rd, Bloomington 61701. She has attended eleven (11) of the last twelve (12) meetings held. She was first appointed to the Board May 1, 1998 and her current term expires April 30, 2011. Her new three (3) year term would begin May 1, 2011.

Reappoint Carol Koos, 305 Woodland Street. She has attended ten (10) of the last twelve (12) meetings held. She was first appointed to the Board May 1, 1997 and her current term expires April 30, 2011. Her new three (3) year term would begin May 1, 2011.

Housing Authority Commission:

Reappoint Barb Nathan, 22 Downing Circle. She has attended ten (10) of the last twelve (12) meetings held. She was first appointed to the Board May 1, 2006 and her current term expires April 30, 2011. Her new five (5) year term would begin May 1, 2011.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Not applicable.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Recommended by:

Stephen F. Stockton  
Mayor

**Alderman Purcell requested two (2) weeks notice prior to an Appointment memorandum appearing on a Council Meeting Agenda. He also requested contact information for each individual.**

**Ron Schultz, 1208 E. Oakland Ave., addressed the Council. He questioned the diversity amongst the City's various Boards and Commissions. He believed that there were individuals who had spent decades serving the City. This fact had impacted turn over. Mayor Stockton noted that the City had implemented a new process. Interested citizens may complete a Statement of Interest. As Mayor, he consulted with the Board/Commission chair regarding vacancies. By state law, the Mayor presents individuals for appointment and the Council ratifies same. Mr. Schultz questioned follow up. Mayor Stockton restated that the Statement of Interest was available on the City's web site. An interested person needed to complete same and turn it into the City Clerk's Office. He encouraged Mr. Schultz to review the form.**

**Alderman Anderson encouraged citizens to attend various Board and Commission meetings and speak with the chair.**

**Mayor Stockton restated that appointments were a mayoral duty and that the Statement of Interest form was available on the City's web site. The goal was to provide access to a wider group of individuals.**

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the appointment and reappointments be approved.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

**SUBJECT: Approval of a Microwave Vehicle Detection System Purchase for 2011 General Resurfacing (Ward 8)**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the purchase of a Microwave Vehicle Detection (MVD) System from Brown Traffic Products, Inc. in the amount of \$19,840 be approved, the Purchasing Agent authorized to issue a Purchase Order for same and the Resolution adopted.

**BACKGROUND:** A MVD System detects vehicles, including bicycles, using microwave sensors that are mounted on the signal mast arm poles. When the MVD sensors detect a vehicle, it causes the lights to change. The existing vehicle detection system at the intersection of Lincoln St. and Arcadia Dr. consists of loops buried in the pavement. These loops will be destroyed during the 2011 General Resurfacing work. A MVD system does not require any materials to be installed in the pavement. This allows future resurfacing to be performed more efficiently and at lower cost. A MVD system was installed at the College Ave. and Hershey Rd. intersection in April 2010. This system has not experienced any problems. Staff believes installing a MVD system at the Lincoln St. and Arcadia Dr. intersection is appropriate.

At the January 10, 2011 meeting, Council authorized staff to negotiate with Rowe Construction Company prices for the 2011 General Resurfacing. Staff was unsuccessful in negotiating a reasonable price with Rowe Construction for a MVD system and desires to purchase the system directly from Brown Traffic Products, Inc. Brown Traffic Products, Inc. is the sole supplier of this system in this region. The system would be installed by City staff, who was present during the College Ave., and Hershey Rd. installation. Any repairs and/or maintenance would be performed by City staff, and the City's standard specifications require that a one (1) year warranty be provided for all traffic signal components.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Staff recommends that Council approve this request in FY 2011 with encumbrance of funds and actual purchase to occur after May 1, 2011. Staff has discussed this process with Sikich, LLP who recommends that a footnote disclosure explanation be shown in the FY 2011 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Payment to Brown Traffic Products, Inc. will be from Capital Improvement Funds (X40100-72530).

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Financial review by:

Reviewed as to legal sufficiency:

Jim Karch  
Director of Public Works

Timothy Ervin  
Director of Finance

J. Todd Greenburg  
Corporate Counsel

Recommended by:

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager



**RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 14**

**A RESOLUTION WAIVING THE FORMAL BIDDING PROCESS AND  
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A MICROWAVE VEHICLE DETECTION  
(MVD) SYSTEM FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT FROM BROWN  
TRAFFIC PRODUCTS, INC. AT A PURCHASE PRICE OF \$19,840**

Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of Bloomington, Illinois,

1. That the bidding process be waived and the Purchasing Agent be authorized to Purchase a Microwave Vehicle Detection (MVD) System from Brown Traffic Products, Inc. at a Purchase Price of \$19,840.
2. Encumbrance of funds and actual purchase will take place after May 1, 2011.

ADOPTED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

APPROVED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

APPROVED:

Stephen F. Stockton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracey Covert  
City Clerk

**Alderman Purcell questioned the cost of the existing wiring system. He expressed his opinion that a wiring system was better. Jim Karch, Director – Public Works, addressed the Council. He stated that detection was needed in order to coordinate the traffic signals. A standard induction loop detected the presence of a vehicle. He acknowledged that it also was the least expensive option. The entire intersection will not be resurfaced. He cited the cost of maintenance. The proposed device detected wave length. It would not be impacted by pavement degradation. Good detention was needed at this intersection. This item is generally included in the resurfacing contract. City staff had negotiated with the contractor but wanted to obtain the best price. City staff would install this system.**

**Alderman Purcell noted the distance, (1,200 feet). He questioned other locations. Mr. Karch stated that there were three (3) types of systems: pretimed, fully actuated and XXXXX. He noted that the usual distance was 2,500 feet. Traffic signals which are close**

together need to be coordinated with a queue. City staff has selected the system which is applicable to this intersection. He believed that the system would perform well. It was important to have the appropriate mechanisms in the City's tool box.

Alderman Purcell questioned the cost of the system over its life expectancy. Mr. Karch expressed his belief that there would be savings at this intersection.

Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the Purchase of a Microwave Vehicle Detection (MVD) System from Brown Traffic Products, Inc., in the amount of \$19,840 be approved, the Purchasing Agent authorized to issue a Purchase Order for same, and the Resolution adopted.

The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

The following was presented:

SUBJECT: Analysis of Bids for the Cleaning and Disposal of the Lime Dust from the Lime Storage Room at the Water Treatment Plant

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the bid be awarded to Bodine Environmental, Inc. for the Cleaning and Disposal of the Lime Dust from the Lime Storage Room at the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$24,000, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

**BACKGROUND:** On April 11, 2011, Council approved the replacement of the lime dust collection system at the Water Treatment Plant. Part of this project will require the demolition and removal of existing dust collection equipment. The dust collection system has not been performing well for several months and in order to complete the demolition and removal of the existing equipment, lime dust in the storage room must be cleaned up and disposed of.

Bids for this project were advertised and sealed bids were publicly opened at 10:00 a.m., April 19, 2011. Two (2) bids were received as follows:

Bodine Environmental, Inc.	\$24,000 *
SET Environmental, Inc.	\$39,900

\* Lowest qualified bid

The engineers estimate for this project was \$30,000.

Staff and AECOM, Inc., the design engineering firm, analyzed the bids and found them to be in order. Staff respectfully recommends that Council accept the least cost, qualified bid, and award the contract to Bodine Environmental, Inc. in the amount of \$24,000.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** Public notice was published in the Pantagraph on March 18, and March 25, 2011. One (1) additional firm was contacted for this project, Clean Harbors, Inc., a full service environmental cleaning firm. They declined to bid. Four (4) firms requested plans.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** This project will require the payment of up to \$24,000 from the Water Department Operating Fund. This fund has a positive balance. This project was not included in the FY 2011 Capital Budget for the Water Department. It is anticipated that at least two (2) projects planned for 2011 will not expend their respective total amounts budgeted by at least \$500,000. These projects are the design of filters in the amount of \$200,000 and the design of the Administration Building improvements, including electrical system upgrades in the amount of \$300,000. Both of these projects are at the Water Treatment Plant. These dollars would be utilized to cover the cost of this project while meeting budget commitments in the FY 2011 budget.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Financial review by:

Recommended by:

Craig M. Cummings  
Director of Water

Timothy Ervin  
Director of Finance

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Alderman Purcell questioned the scope of this project. Craig Cummings, Water Director, noted that this project involved a caustic specialty chemical. A certified environmental firm must be retained. This project was originally bid as part of a package. There were no bidders for that package. Lime dust was a dry powder. It will be removed and disposed of on site (sludge pits). This bid only addressed clean up. There was a separate bid to remove the old system. A new system would also be installed. The goal was to install a cleaner system which would have a longer life. The environmental clean up firm would be cautious with the dust. He estimated the clean up time line of a couple of weeks or longer. No work had been scheduled. The firm selected was fully certified.**

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the bid be awarded to Bodine Environmental, Inc. for the Cleaning and Disposal of the Lime Dust from the Lime Storage Room at the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$24,000, and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

**SUBJECT:** Renewal of Towing Bid 10,000 GVW and Under to Joe's Towing & Recovery

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the second annual renewal option of the Towing Bid 10,000 GVW and Under with Joe's Towing & Recovery be approved for the period of one (1) year starting May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2012, and the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute the necessary documents.

**BACKGROUND:** A bid was let on March 5, 2009 for light duty towing. Two (2) bids were received on March 19, 2009. Brown's Towing submitted a "No Bid" the other was from Joe's Towing & Recovery. The specification was for the towing, winching, and other miscellaneous services for City owned cars, trucks, and light equipment 10,000 GVW and under. The specification also included Police ordered towing or relocation and storage of vehicles. The vendor must provide services as needed twenty-four (24) hours a day, 365 days per each awarded year. Joe's Towing was awarded the bid on April 13, 2009. The bid was for one (1) year starting May 1, 2009 with annual renewals until April 30, 2014. Staff was directed at the time to meet with towing companies that expressed interest but did not bid.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** A meeting with towing vendors was held on April 9, 2009. Towing vendors expressed interest in the City setting up and maintaining two (2) rotational towing lists utilizing City staff. One (1) list would cover City owned vehicles and equipment and one (1) list would cover Police ordered towing. Vendors suggested that the annual referral fee be dropped and that vehicles towed would be stored and disposed of at each individual vendor's lot. This would create increased work loads for staff, lost revenue, difficulty tracking of vehicles and increased confusion for owner's picking up their vehicles. Staff recommended that the towing vendors put forth a proposal that met the bid requirements.

A letter was mailed on November 12, 2009 inviting towing vendors to participate in a meeting to discuss the City's towing bid with contact information for any questions. The meeting was held on November 17, 2009. Joe's Towing and Southtown Towing were the only vendors that attended. They did not have any recommended changes to the towing bid. Both meetings were attended by Public Works, Finance and Police Department's staff. No meeting was held this year as no one expressed any interest in a change to the towing bid at this time.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The term for the renewal is one (1) year beginning May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2012 with annual renewal options upon mutual agreement of both parties until

April 30, 2014. The bid specifications require that the City not be charged for the following services:

<b>Description of Service</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Towing of City owned cars and equipment under 10,000 GVW	No charge to the City
Towing of other cars and equipment	No charge to the City
Tire changes	No charge to the City
Abandoned and impounded vehicle storage charge to the City	No charge to the City
Storage of City owned vehicles	No charge to the City
Power Starting or Jump Starting of City owned vehicles	No charge to the City

Joe's Towing agreed with the above requests. Additionally the bid included the following Services and the amounts for those services per bid from Joe's Towing:

Winching	\$50.00
Outside City mileage rate	\$2.00/mile
Transport/tow vehicles to and from the BPD Range per round trip	\$50.00
Vehicles for training purposes (one time fee per vehicle)	\$0

**Amount to be paid to the City per fiscal year:**

Fiscal year 2010/2011	<u>\$47,500</u>
Fiscal year 2011/2012	<u>\$47,500</u>
Fiscal year 2012/2013	<u>\$47,500</u>
Fiscal year 2013/2014	<u>\$47,500</u>

As a condition of this bid, Joe's Towing is required to pay the City an annual fee for receiving tow referrals from the Police Department. This will include tows from accident scenes, arrests that require a vehicle to be towed and abandoned vehicles. Staff has been satisfied with the services provided by Joe's Towing and respectfully recommends that the bid be renewed. Joe's Towing has consistently paid the annual fee for receiving tow referrals at the beginning of each fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Recommended by:

Jim Karch, PE CFM  
Director of Public Works

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Alderman Anderson addressed this item. He expressed his concern regarding the formal bid process as there had only been one (1) bidder. He added his hopes that there would be multiple responses in the future.**

Alderman Sage echoed Alderman Anderson's comments. He expressed his support for the formal bid process and believed utilizing same was a best practice. He hoped that this item would be put out for bid next year. The bid process provided opportunity to local vendors. This process was in the best interest of the City.

Barb Adkins, Deputy City Manager, noted that under the current bid there were renewal options until 2014. The Council's action this evening would be to authorize said renewal. The City's Purchasing Agent would research the City's current bidding processes. City staff would compile a list and review same. City staff would look at value, quality of work, and prepare a matrix. A matrix could be used to measure contractor's performance. City staff would provide feedback to the Council.

Mayor Stockton added that there needed to be check points along the way. City staff needed to tell the Council why it should approve a renewal. Ms. Adkins stated that work continued towards performance management.

Alderman Fruin requested that City staff provided feedback on various bids on a regular basis.

Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the second annual renewal option of the Towing Bid 10,000 GVW and Under with Joe's Towing & Recovery be approved for the period of one (1) year starting May 1, 2011 and ending April 30, 2012, and the Purchasing Agent be authorized to issue a Purchase Order.

The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:

**Ayes:** Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.

**Nays:** None.

**Motion carried.**

**The following was presented:**

**SUBJECT:** Petition from First State Bank of Bloomington Trustee MCLT #LDB-52 (Larry D. Bielfeldt) requesting approval of a Final Plat for the Eighth Addition to Hawthorne Commercial Subdivision located west of Towanda Barnes Road and south of General Electric Road

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Final Plat be approved and the Ordinance passed.

**BACKGROUND:** This final plat consists of two (2) outlots for the purpose of outdoor advertising. Outlot 19 is south of the Parke Hotel and Conference Center on the west side of Towanda Barnes Road. Outlot 20 is north of the Super Pantry Convenience store on the west

side of Towanda Barnes Road. Both outlots show no access strips along Towanda Barnes Road. Access easements are being provided through existing lots as shown on the plat. The zoning in this area is B - 1, Highway Business District and the proposed use is allowed.

**COMMUNITY GROUPS/INTERESTED PERSONS CONTACTED:** McLean County Highway Department, and Bloomington/Normal Airport Authority.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The cost of all platting and recording will be borne by the petitioner.

Respectfully submitted for Council consideration.

Prepared by:

Reviewed as to legal sufficiency:

Jim Karch  
Director of Public Works

J. Todd Greenburg  
Corporation Counsel

Recommended by:

Barbara J. Adkins  
Deputy City Manager

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt that the item be laid over until June 13, 2011.**

**The Mayor directed the clerk to call the roll which resulted in the following:**

**Ayes: Aldermen Stearns, Mwilambwe, Schmidt, McDade, Anderson, Hanson, Sage, Fruin and Purcell.**

**Nays: None.**

**Motion carried.**

**MAYOR'S DISCUSSION: Mayor Stockton informed those present that a similar plaque had been sent to Kevin Huette. Mr. Huette resigned from the Council in January 2011.**

**He noted that there would be an Oath of Office ceremony for Wards 2, 4, 6, and 8 prior to the May 9, 2011 Council Meeting. This meeting will be held at City Hall.**

**He informed the Council that there had been a meeting with the Union Pacific Railroad the previous week regarding track upgrading. There will be a formal announcement regarding road closures. Target dates had been provided at the meeting.**

The plan was to commence work around May 5, 2011 and to complete the work by May 27, 2011. He added that Market St. closures would be of limited duration.

Mayor Stockton informed the Council that the Liquor Commission held a Work Session on Thursday, April 21, 2011 to discuss license fees, penalties and “A”, All types of alcohol liquor licenses, in residential area. The Commission discussed how to implement any proposed fee increase. This issue of cost recovery was also addressed. The Commission had heard from the Police Department that penalties were too lenient. The Commission was in the brainstorming stage and would appreciate input from the Council. In addition, the Commission would not present any recommendations until after reviewing the DETF’s final work product. Finally, the Commission would hold a public hearing prior to placing text amendments before the Council for a vote.

**CITY MANAGER’S DISCUSSION:** Barbara Adkins, Deputy City Manager, addressed Alderman Hanson to express City staff’s appreciation for his service. He would be missed but City staff looked forward to working with Alderman elect Fazzini.

She requested that Mark Huber, Director – PACE, address the Council regarding the status of City Hall’s HVAC upgrade. Mr. Huber addressed the Council. He noted that the system start up would begin by the end of the week. He reminded the Council of this project’s \$1.1 million cost. The City had received a Department of Energy grant, (\$750,000) to help offset the City’s cost.

**ALDERMEN’S DISCUSSION:** Alderman Anderson extended best wishes to Alderman Hanson as his tenure on the Council has ended.

Alderman Purcell thanked Alderman Hanson for his service to the community. He noted Alderman Hanson dedication and hard work.

Alderman Schmidt thanked Alderman Hanson for his service and noted that it had been a pleasure to work with him.

She informed the Council that the next meeting of the Downtown Entertainment Task Force (DETF) would be on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in the Police Department’s Osborn Room. Preliminary findings would be presented at this meeting. The DETF would only meet one more time for a total of three (3) meetings.

Alderman Sage extended best wishes to Alderman Hanson.

Alderman McDade informed the Council that Global Youth Services Day was held on Saturday, April 16, 2011. She noted the City’s role in the bicycle repair project. The City donated bicycles. A family of seven (7) received bicycles, helmets and locks. She highlighted the activities held by the West Bloomington Revitalization Partnership office. Service projects happened at twenty (20) sites within the City. There were a number of partners that helped to make this event successful.



**She also thanked Alderman Hanson for his service. She echoed Alderman Schmidt's comments. She looked forward to working with him in the future.**

**Alderman Hanson had one (1) piece of potential future business for the City. Jack Snyder had made a preliminary offer to donate a tree farm and tree spade to the City. He believed that this information had been presented to the City's department heads at their staff meeting which had been held this date. He wanted to make the Council aware of this offer.**

**He thanked the Council, Mayor and City staff for their kind words. He added his respect for them. He was not leaving the City. He had met with Alderman elect Fazzini to facilitate a smooth transition.**

**Motion by Alderman Anderson, seconded by Alderman Schmidt, that the meeting be adjourned. Time: 8:32 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

**Tracey Covert  
City Clerk**

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