

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
JANUARY 15, 2008

ATTENDENTS

Councilman Kelly
Councilwoman Riley
Councilman Salvatore
Councilman Thompson
Council Pres. Spence
Mayor Begley
Administrator Liston
Mun. Solicitors Baker/Bertram/Haag

CALLED TO ORDER: Pres. Spence

INVOCATION: Mun. Clerk Richmond

TOPICS:

AGENDA – Clerk presented additions to this evening’s meeting agenda.

COUNCIL

Salvatore expressed concern over DOT not approving reconstruction of Columbus Avenue. Resolution for Seibel Street Alley being repaired by property owners, having received petition from property owners, after discussion it was agreed to have the matter looked into further by Solicitor.

Kelly posed question regarding budget increase amount, Administrator will get the requested information prior to adoption of budget this evening.

Riley expressed concern over the effect Corzine education budget would have on the Abbott Programs.

Earth Day is April 22 asked that the City promote projects for Earth Day.

Pres. Spence brought to Council’s attention the speeding in Park; Chief will look into the matter. Ordinance vacating McCormick Place discussion was entered into, Solicitor explained changes required due to Walgreens coming, need sketch which was not attached, held off at the present time.

PUBLIC PORTION

It was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson to open the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to address Council which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence opened the meeting to the public for anyone desiring to address Council.

Mr. Michael Zapolski, West Avenue, addressed Council concerning the taxi cab issue that he has witnessed one taxi cab company having two cabs on the street, one silver color and one maroon color, but his application states only one cab.

Martinez of Go US Cab, along with two of his drivers, presented problem with customers stating that their fees are too high, but they are high due to the bridge repair as the meter continues to run when they are held up in traffic. They would like the City to know this, in case they are receiving complaints by citizens of the fare charged them.

No one else desiring to be heard, it was moved by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Thompson to close the public portion of the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence closed the public portion of the Work Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Upon motion by Mr. Kelly and second by Mr. Salvatore RESOLUTION NO. 182-07, authorizing an executive close session to discuss contract and litigation was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The original resolution may be found in the Resolution Book.

There being no further items of discussion, it was duly moved and second to adjourn the Work Session which motion was carried.

Pres. Spence adjourned the Work Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene J. Richmond, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Approved:

William D. Spence, Council President

Date: _____