

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2011 MEETING  
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL**

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, September 6, 2011 in the Council Chambers of the Humboldt Municipal Building. Mayor Walter Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Council Members present: Jorgensen, Sleiter, Rusher, and Hadar. Absent: Boomgarden.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Hadar to approve the agenda as printed. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Jorgensen, Second by Sleiter to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2011 work session, the August 15, 2011 regular Council meeting, and the August 26, 2011 special meeting. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Hadar to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Investment Report and the August Treasurer's Report. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Jorgensen to approve the claims for August 2011. (4) Ayes, motion carried.

Council Member Boomgarden arrived at 5:34 PM.

The Council took no action on a request from Gerald Keithley for an adjustment on his utility bill.

Motion by Jorgensen, Second by Sleiter to approve a Class C Liquor License and Outdoor Service Privilege for Sylvia and Thomas Greene, d/b/a Sit-N-Bull Saloon. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Boomgarden, Second by Jorgensen to approve a 5-Day Class B Beer Permit and Outdoor Service Privilege for Downtown Sounds (September 21, 2011). (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Rusher to approve a Class C Liquor License, Outdoor Service Area, and Sunday Sales Privilege for Larry Davidson, d/b/a Rustix Restaurant and Reception. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Boomgarden to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-105: "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING INFORMATION AND BALLOT PROVISIONS TO BE PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED ELECTION ON THE ISSUE OF ESTABLISHING A HOTEL AND MOTEL TAX IN THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Jorgensen, Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, and Hadar. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Hadar to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-106: "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO ADMINISTER AN IJOBS II GRANT PROGRAM WITH MIDAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, Hadar, and Jorgensen. Motion carried.

Motion by Rusher, Second by Hadar to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-107: "A RESOLUTION APPROVING MIDAS REQUISITION NO. 24 FOR CONSTRUCTION,

RELOCATION, TESTING, AND TECHNICAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,749.60.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Boomgarden, Rusher, Hadar, Jorgensen, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Boomgarden to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-108: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT REHABILITATION MATCHING GRANT AWARD AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO MAKE PAYMENT AS ESTABLISHED IN THE PROGRAM SUMMARY.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Rusher, Hadar, Jorgensen, Sleiter, and Boomgarden. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Jorgensen to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-109: “A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A FEE FOR RETURNED CHECKS AND AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE PAYMENTS.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Hadar, Jorgensen, Sleiter, Boomgarden, and Rusher. Motion carried.

Motion by Hadar, Second by Boomgarden to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-110: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 FOR THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Jorgensen, Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, and Hadar. Motion carried.

Motion by Boomgarden, Second by Jorgensen to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-111: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012 BUDGET TRANSFERS OF: \$2,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE TREES FOREVER FUND; \$5,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE AQUATIC CENTER CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FOR MAINTENANCE; \$25,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (PUMPER SET-ASIDE); \$89,000 FROM THE STREETS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TO THE ROAD USE TAX FUND (SWEEPER PURCHASE); \$91,000 FROM THE STREETS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (BOND PROCEEDS) TO THE ROAD USE TAX FUND (SWEEPER PURCHASE); \$6,000 FROM THE ROAD USE TAX FUND TO THE STREETS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (JET TRUCK SET-ASIDE); \$200,000 FROM THE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX FUND TO THE ROAD USE TAX FUND (STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM); \$20,000 FROM THE SEWER FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (JET TRUCK SET-ASIDE); \$30,000 FROM THE SEWER FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (DIGESTER LID SET-ASIDE); \$15,000 FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (RECYCLING TRUCK SET-ASIDE); \$5,000 FROM THE SOLID WASTE FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (SCOOTER TRUCK SET -ASIDE); \$60,000 FROM THE SOLID WASTE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND TO THE SOLID WASTE FUND (GARBAGE TRUCK PURCHASE); \$37,000 FROM THE EMERGENCY FUND TO THE GENERAL RESERVE FUND; \$3,000 FROM THE CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND (MONUMENT REPAIRS); AND \$52,535.71 FROM THE DEBT SERVICE (SSURA TIF) FUND TO THE TIF LMI SET-ASIDE FUND.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, Hadar, and Jorgensen. Motion carried.

Motion by Boomgarden, Second by Hadar to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-112: “A RESOLUTION SETTING MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2011 AT 5:30 PM AS THE

DATE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW AN APPLICATION FOR A STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND (SRF) LOAN AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PUBLISH THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Boomgarden, Rusher, Hadar, Jorgensen, and Sleiter. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Boomgarden to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2011-113: “A RESOLUTION FIXING THE DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE PROPOSAL TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION INC. AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Rusher, Hadar, Jorgensen, Sleiter, and Boomgarden. Motion carried.

Motion by Boomgarden, Second by Jorgensen to approve the final reading of the following proposed Ordinance: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 24, PERTAINING TO PARK COMMISSIONER MEMBERSHIP, ELECTION, AND TERM.” and directing the City Clerk to publish the aforementioned ordinance as Ordinance No. 2011-14.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Hadar, Jorgensen, Sleiter, Boomgarden, and Rusher. Motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Boomgarden to approve the final reading of the following proposed Ordinance: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 169 – ‘SIGN REGULATIONS.’” and directing the City Clerk to publish the aforementioned ordinance as Ordinance No. 2011-15.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Jorgensen, Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, and Hadar. Motion carried.

Motion by Jorgensen, Second by Boomgarden to approve the second reading of the following proposed Ordinance: “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 92, SECTIONS 2 AND 3 PERTAINING TO WATER RATES.”

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Sleiter, Boomgarden, Rusher, Hadar, and Jorgensen. Motion carried.

Other Items Discussed: City Administrator – Updated the Council on the status of the following projects: the 15<sup>th</sup> Street North Improvement Project; the water main repairs and paving on 8<sup>th</sup> Street North; the water system improvements on Sumner Avenue SW; the fire station construction; the open position of Recreation Director/Chamber Director; the need for new equipment for the local access channel; the airport T-Hangar project; the water plant roof replacement; and the narrowband radio conversion. He also reported that MidAmerican Energy has offered to send an engineer to address the natural gas issues in the industrial parks, and noted that garbage is being dumped into the blue recycling collection bins in the Hy-Vee parking lot. It was suggested that a surveillance camera might be necessary to curtail that activity. City Clerk – Reminded residents of the upcoming burn dates and brush collection dates, and that 5:00 PM September 22<sup>nd</sup> is the deadline for candidates to file nomination papers in the City Clerk’s office for the election November 8<sup>th</sup>. Four Parks Commission seats will be open, as well as the three ward Council seats and the Mayor. Jorgensen – Asked if the City Engineer could look at the drain being installed near Rainbow Drive in connection with the 15<sup>th</sup> Street North Improvement Project. He also stated that he does not

intend to run for reelection in Ward 3, and would be glad to visit with anyone who may be interested in running for his seat. Boomgarden – Mentioned that he had received complaints about the condition of Union Cemetery. Mayor – Reminded residents that an event to commemorate the 9/11 tragedy is planned for Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the vacant field near the sanitation department's maintenance building.

Motion by Boomgarden, Second by Sleiter to schedule Monday, September 19, 2011 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and to adjourn this session at 6:14 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

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Walter Jensen, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gloria J. Christensen, City Clerk