

**MAY 15, 2006
CITY OF SENOIA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
IMMEDIATELY AFTER PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

VISITORS: Claudia Wood, Bill Railey, Paul & Ann Price, Sam & Suzanne Helfman, Lynn Wendt, Kevin Wright, Gail Downs, Jim Garver and Mary Provost

FULL COUNCIL PRESENT

1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS

Mayor Belisle called the meeting to order and welcomed all

2. APPROVAL OF MAY 1, 2006 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

C. Owens made motion to approve the May 1, 2006 City Council minutes as presented & was 2nd by C. Benson. Vote to approve motion was 4-0-1. C. Wood abstained from vote (absent from meeting).

3. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

A. 1ST Read on Zoning Changes

• **Creation of Parks & Recreation Zoning Classification**

C. Benson made motion to approve the 1st read on the creation of a Parks & Recreation classification to the zoning ordinance & was 2nd by C. Wood. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Changes to Current Conservation Subdivision District**

C. Owens made motion to approve the 1st read to the Conservation Subdivision district as presented & was 2nd by C. Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Changes to Current Historical Neighborhood District**

Mayor Belisle informed all that the Historical Neighborhood District will be a stand alone ordinance. C. Benson asked why & was told by C. Owens that historical preservation ordinances are typically separate and enforcement of the ordinance will be by the Preservation Commission and not Planning Commission. Mr. Bill Railey asked for the other changes & was told that public hearings would no longer be required for the Certificate of Appropriateness and COA's would be heard by not only Preservation Commission but by Council as well. After short discussion, Mayor Belisle made motion to approve the 1st read of the Historical Neighborhood District as presented & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

• **Creation of a Commercial Overlay District/Changes to Sign Ordinance**

Paul Price asked if the proposed district will include the downtown area & was told no. Ann Price asked for the boundaries of the district & was told the corridor of Highways 85 & 16. C. Owens thanked Mr. Ferry for all of his hard work on the ordinance. After short discussion, C. Owens made motion to approve the proposed Commercial Overlay District and Sign Ordinance & was 2nd by C. Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.

B. TE Grant Memorandum of Understanding

Mayor Belisle informed all that this memorandum is simply the document allowing us to move forward with the transportation enhancement grant (local match of at least 20%). C. Owens made motion to approve the TE Memorandum of Understanding & was 2nd C. Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mr. Kevin Wright-516 Rockaway Road-Proposed Brass Statue at Residence

Mr. Kevin Wright presented Council with a picture of a brass statue that he would like to place in his yard as an indicator for his business. C. Benson asked if the business logo would be on the statue & was told no. C. Benson then stated that he doesn't feel that Council needs to approve yard art. Mayor Belisle agreed and asked Mr. Wright to make sure the art is out of the right of way. C. Owens asked how it will be anchored & was told by 6-8 inch diameter of concrete. Mayor Belisle again stated that without physically stating a "business" the art should "not be an issue one way or another". Mr. Wright thanked Council for their time.

5. OLD BUSINESS-None

6. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR-None

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Council asks that anyone interested in a seat on the Historic Preservation Commission to submit a letter of interest to the City Administrator**
- **City Council meeting June 5th will be held in the Freeman Sasser Building at 7:00 PM**
- **Memorial Day Celebration scheduled for Monday, May 29th. Any interested in volunteering are asked to contact Gail Downs or Suzanne Helfman**

8. ADJOURN

C. Owens made motion to adjourn the May 15, 2006 City Council meeting & was 2nd by C. Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.