

CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION Monday, October 17, 2011 Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center

Aldermanic Library

Present: Alderman Wilson Alderman Wynne

Alderman Holmes Alderman Fiske
Alderman Tendam Alderman Rainey
Alderman Braithwaite Alderman Burrus

Others Present: City Attorney Grant Farrar, City Manager Wally Bobkiewicz,

Robert Gustafson, Worker's Comp and Safety Manager,

Presiding: Mayor Elizabeth B. Tisdahl

Mayor Tisdahl called the meeting to order at 10:49 pm.

Personnel:

Mr. Gustafson presented the report on the negotiations to settle the case of Robert Hayden former Fire Captain/Paramedic. He was seeking guidance from the Council to close the case for the sum of \$165,000.00. It was agreed to allow Mr. Gustafson the freedom to pursue his recommendation to settle for \$165,000.00.

Litigation:

Mr. Farrar informed the Council to disregard the litigation letters they had received because those are issues the Law Department and Purchasing Department are dealing with. He then gave an update on the Padma Rao issue and his belief she will file some sort of lawsuit against the City with her Lawyer. He stated he has done the research and whatever claim she brings is groundless, but as a City to minimize any engagement with her. He also stated it is his intent and expectation to win this case very badly, and that he will spend hours and hours on this case when it comes in.

Alderman Fiske stated she had never directly made contact with Padma Rao, it was always through a cc to her emails to other persons. She also stated there was no community support for her and that everyone knew she was trouble.

Mr. Farrar stated the matter had been presented to the Board of Ethics and it will appear on their dockets, and in November the City will have an initial Board of Ethics Meeting. He stated the confrontation with VEOLIA at this point has been successful and the City is winning, but it could change. VEOLIA also owes the City \$100,000.00 or so for the third quarter of the transfer station fee.

Minutes:

Alderman Wilson motioned to accept the minutes of October 3, 2011 and it was seconded. A voice vote was unanimous. The minutes were approved.

A motion for dismissal was moved and seconded with a unanimous voice vote to close the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 pm.

