



CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION
Monday, July 25, 2011
Lorraine H. Morton Civic Center
Aldermanic Library

Present: Alderman Wilson Alderman Burrus
Alderman Holmes Alderman Fiske
Alderman Grover Alderman Braithwaite
Alderman Rainey

Absent: Alderman Tendam, Alderman Wynne

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

Presiding: Mayor Elizabeth B. Tisdahl

Mayor Tisdahl called the meeting to order at 9:55 p.m.

Real Estate

City Manager Bobkiewicz stated that he and Mr. Grant had talked to VEOLIA's Attorneys about going away at the end of a host agreement and how much money would the City receive. Their Attorneys stated the host agreements with other communities were open-ended and they would go away if we found a place for them. They have once again paid their fees under protest. He stated we were at a stand still and we need to move forward. On August 8th will ask the Council to file comments with IEPA to appose their request exempting them from our zoning in their permit and we need to either kiss and make up or we will have multiple issues on multiple fronts with them.

Aldermen Holmes and Braithwaite met with Ms. Williams and they are very upset about the odor. They decided they were going to change to a cherry smelling scent, and they will install this door that we had been asking for before. All they wanted was to have VEOLIA to be good neighbors. It was stated they will be going to court on this Thursday and the following two Thursdays as well. Hopefully with the installation of the door may cut down on some of the smell.

Mr. Farrar stated he need direction from the Council on how to proceed. VEOLIA want a commitment from us negotiate a host agreement with us, and negotiate a downward reduction in the fee from us in exchange for lifestyle and tighter regulations or they are going to sue. He also stated he needed to get direction from the Council tonight so as to be prepared if indeed they plan to sue.

City Manager stated he would come back in August with an update of the future discussions with VEOLIA and possible solution to the issues on moving forward from there.

Litigation:

Mr. Farrar stated he would answer any questions from the memo he had submitted in the packet. He stated on August 25th he has an arbitration coming up in the Nadulek case, and he is asking Council to allow him to move forward and offer \$20 to \$25,000 and no higher. The passenger in the car reported she was crazy and she died before they could get her deposition by causes not related to the car accident.

A question about the Young vs the City was the Police Officer filing sexual harassment against her the boss Sgt. Beal who was demoted to patrol officer. He then gave a good report of all of the paver cases as being positive except for one that monies had to be paid out.

Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes was moved and seconded and a voice vote was unanimous so the minutes of June 27, 2011 were approved.

A motion for dismissal was made and a unanimous voice approval was accepted. Executive Session ended at 10:35 p.m.

Rodney Greene
City Clerk

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