



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

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Meeting Date: **Wednesday, November 8, 2006**
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1. MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Those present: Councilors Cheney, Ciotti, Dede, Keays, Mayor Myers, Deputy Mayor Hindle, Councilors Scott, Trefethen, and Turner. Also present: City Manager Joyal and City Attorney Allan Krans.

4. PROCLAMATIONS – AWARDS

5. SUMMARY OF AGENDA

The Mayor reviewed the agenda.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Citizens are invited to speak to items that pertain to the business and/or interests of Dover, NH. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Edward J Bleiler of Isaac Lucas Circle after reading the headline in Fosters on asking citizens to pay for 17.29 million in parking improvements. If we do not reduce spending we will bankrupt the city and he will lose his house. We cannot embark on any new spending program as this will drive up taxes. By doing this they will hurt young families by continuing this spending. We are also harming the people that built the city, we have got to stop spending and taxing the people out of their homes. By developing the waterfront you don't help families, by making it a park you are. He thinks no one would want to purchase his home when they see the taxes that will result from this waterfront development. He mentioned the transfer of contingency funds to finance department; this seems to be a quorum with all the sponsors that are on the resolution. He thinks this must have been a meeting of the minds. If they think about it a little bit and let the people just go to the individual department and ask the department for the information.

Paul Mauceri of 27 Cushing Street is a member of the oversight committee for the McConnell Center for the last two years. Tonight they will be considering CDBG monies this will connect the dots for what will be the crowning jewel of the city. He just spent a couple of days in St. Augustine and Dover's waterfront will never be like theirs but he is in favor of the waterfront development in spite of his taxes going up.

Don Andolina of 59 Littleworth Road is here to speak in favor of the \$110,000 CDBG dollars for the McConnell Center. Although this may seem this request is for discretionary funds but without this the project will not get off the ground. The HUB family resource center is looking for another \$34,000 so they can move in and become a tenant. Also the Dover Children's Center along with the Dover Adult



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Learning Center it was agreed the city would pay for the demolition of their property. There is also funding to fit out the kitchen. After they thought it out a little more, it became clear that no one would come in and fit it out. This is essential to several of the tenants that plan to come into the building so a food service could come in and provide these services to the tenants.

Tom Fargo of 14 Cobblehill Drive stated yesterday over 1600 people of Ward 1 and 2 asked him to be their voice in Concord as a State Representative. He read a passage about community and personal service to the community saying this is from Article 12 of the NH State Constitution; he is humbled to have been selected and will do his best to represent the residents of Ward 1 and 2.

Ray Bardwell of Spur Road stated it is that time of year, budget time; they have a big job ahead of them. He commended the manager on his CIP presentation. He mentioned Maglaras Park that is a baseball field. The city has some outstanding projects today that should be completed. If the waterfront becomes a park we won't gain our tax money out of that area. We now have the north end water pressure issue, traffic and parking and a major renovation at Woodman Park School. In going thru this the total city debt could go to 115 million. We have needs and wants and he hopes the resolution gives all the details of how much his taxes are going to go up. Our gravel extraction contract, the city sold low and has to buy back high. When the pit is exhausted where is the city going to get its aggregate. He asked several questions pertaining to gravel. He has been very disappointed with the contract to date. The council should look and cut back on their wants and look at the needs.

Mary Hebbard of 97 Spruce Lane stated at the 10/25 meeting there was a resolution split evenly for \$20,000 each to work on 91A requests. It became clear that this was not really about 91A requests; the resolution failed. Now there is another resolution to transfer funds for temporary part time help. So she is curious has the finance office figured out how to process these requests. The resolution tonight is asking for authorization to transfer \$10,000 for a part time person in finances. She wonders why only \$10,000 what has changed. Also some of the background is contradictory and misleading; what are we really talking about. 91A's are a legitimate request for funding but not to the degree that was asked for last time. She would like answers on analyzing this; she thinks with a different approach they would have been granted the funding. She also has a question on the 5 councilors that sponsored this resolution. As the document is worded, she is asking them to vote it down.

Karen Weston of 42 French Cross Road stated she was captured by the Foster's report on the waterfront funding request. She also has read the Rizzo report a couple of times in trying to understand it. She spoke to a city employee when she went to vote, who told her the waterfront was not connected to the downtown development; she thinks the waterfront should be developed in some way with public access. Now



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that we know the retail portion is going to be minimal on the waterfront and the majority is going to be residential. As a business owner, she can speak to several businesses that are opposed to the proposal to change the traffic pattern now that we know the business aspects are going to be minimal. She fears with the new traffic pattern will be the death of downtown Dover. She has counted the number of parking spaces created by the Rizzo changes. 17.29 million dollars for the waterfront we should have public hearing. She would like them to change this however she does agree with portions of the Rizzo report. She has nothing but the best interest in this city. Before they pass the CIP with the additional 17.29 million for the waterfront she would like some more public hearings.

Scott Mason speaking as a Dover homeowner also the owner of the Barley Pub downtown. He asked if they will be voting on parking shuffling this evening. The Mayor confirmed this. He does not get how anybody can think this is a good idea. He is the owner of a business and this will not be good for his customers. Also he does not get why it does not adopt the proposed amendments of the Rizzo study as he read from the report. He read page 118 of the Rizzo report which recommends 4 hour downtown parking. Also we spend all this time and money on the study and then don't take the recommendations of it. Finally where the council did not take action last month he asks them to vote no.

Martha Mason resident of 37 Park Street and owner of Cochecho Falls Gallery reviewed what happened at the last meeting but their action was not reflected in the minutes. She understands how frustrating this must be to have residents come forward. Let's not forget we are having to compete with pretty Portsmouth and one stop shopping Newington Mall. She had two customers this week that had issues with the parking so she is already battling the parking situation. She has read the Rizzo report. The train station has been getting fuller and fuller each month. She urged them to follow thru with a roundtable with the business owners. She wants to feel like she has input. She thinks this ordinance alienates the audience.

John Scruton 99 Sixth Street thinks it is time we took a look at the planning department. Since 1994 the city has only been building strip malls. You put all the big box stores in one end of town. We have gone into sprawl, extended the sewer line up 6th Street, we don't use centralization like moving public works out on the edge of town. He wants more of a walkable community. In 1992 we only had two sets of working lights in the community. Now all we have is stop and go traffic. As far as the waterfront there is no development that has lowered taxes.

Don Medbery of 3 Covered Bridge Lane thinks they should have a study and see how many parking permits have been issued in the city. He mentioned the budget item resolution for 2007. in this city budget they exclude the debt; he would like them to include everything in their budget so they can get the full picture. He is alarmed



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about the assessment process. It is frightening, selective and it targets the elderly and low income couples. He continued about the assessing process used in the assessor's office. This is selective discrimination and must stop. He thinks they are intimidating the elderly. He continued on the waterfront development issue.

John Leggett of 128 Dover Point Road commented on the proposed CIP program and the budget guideline resolution. He commended Joyal on his view that the councilors need to consider the debt load. The current CIP expects 76% of the plan to be funded by debt; if this is funded the city will be paying over 11 ½ million in debt service in 2007, these payments represent about a 49% increase in debt service in 4 years. He continued with a prepared statement. Will the waterfront really justify all these plans. If we had town meeting form of government would the residents approve all these projects. He continued on the amount of debt service in the city.

Sharon Reynolds of Court Street wants to talk on public transportation as she read a prepared statement on trolleys with the statistics on the ridership saying public transportation is much safer. She would like them to consider public transportation options in downtown Dover.

Rick Hebbard of 97 Spruce Lane wants to draw their attention to resolution 12A -2 and the flail mower and the typo of \$5000. Also again there is another typo on the boom, he mentioned Pete Lavoie; he says the city already has this piece of equipment and is abusing it. Proper use of this equipment would make the equipment go a long way. He thinks they should also know the city does not maintain Class 6 roads and why is the mower being used on this road; .we truly do not need this equipment. We would all like a lot of things but it is not needed and it is time to start saying no.

Also he wants to talk about the gravel pit situation, he was a member of the subcommittee on gravel pits. We are being stupid by giving this gravel away. God is not making any more gravel pits in Dover. It is up to the council to start saying no for the good of the people.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak he closed citizen's forum.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Resolution RE: Acceptance of Nantucket Court as a City Street. Sponsored by Mayor Scott Myers by Request. **(See Item 11C-1)**

The Mayor opened the public hearing seeing no one wishing to speak, he closed it.

- B. Resolution RE: FY07 Budget Amendment #2-Modification of the Action Plan and Expenditures for the FY06 CDBG Entitlement Fund. Sponsored by Mayor Scott Myers,



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by Request. **(See Item #11C-2)**

Amy Sutton 35 Forest Street and a member of the Board of Directors since 2005 also a future HUB parent looking forward to the opening. She urged them to support the additional CDBG funding in the amount of \$34,000. They are looking forward to signing the lease.

Christine Rockerfeller president of the Board of the Children's Center, Executive Director and other members. Mary Lou Beaver, George Bailey and Tom Southbrook are all here. Years ago they received funding for a child care center and are now requesting support with allocation for a fit out from the council. She pointed out if allocated it would go directly into the McConnell Center. Those improvements will remain with the building. This is federal money that will be used to directly better the property and provide a very much needed service in the form of childcare for the working class people of the city. This will complete the fit out and serve another 70-80 families in the area. She will answer any questions about the project.

Tim Barretto resident of 83 County Farm Road and is also a member of the Board of Directors for the HUB Family Resource Center. He has had a philosophical outlook for all of his adult life and that is he believes the best way to prevent child abuse is to build strong families. He gave the history of family resource center and the direct correlation in the reduction of child abuse with the HUB and they had a dream it would become part of the community center. He is extremely proud as a long time resident of Dover as this is a forward thinking community. HUB as a family resource center is highly regarded around the State of NH. This fulfills a dream many of them had about 15 years ago. He asked them to help them take the next strong healthy step in helping families.

Mary Lou Beaver, Executive Director of the Dover Children's Center showed them the waiting list for childcare which has 15 pages of names. Dover Children's Center is currently licensed for and has 77 children and they need to move to the McConnell Center to expand to serve these additional families with need. She showed them the calls that came in today from residents waiting for child care. They hope they will be able to go into the McConnell this will make a great difference.

Kathryn Forbes of 215 Long Hill Road adds her support to the McConnell Center, she is also a member the Dover Adult Learning Center they have had their portion of the building fitted out and they have raised \$45,000 from the residents. She urged them to support the motion.

Murray Ingraham is here representing HUB Family Resource Center this evening. He stated the council is doing a terrific job with the McConnell Center. About 3 summers ago he was involved with the original group that was looking at tenancy at the center; the costs have tripled since that time. He wants them to support the CDBG request tonight.



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Many people benefit from these services. This is an ideal location and will make it easy for families to get to the center.

Greg Burdwood of 1 Cedarbrook Drive and Executive Director of HUB Resource Center in Dover wants to thank them. He has been with HUB for 2 years now is proud to be with them to report and with helping families. He thanked them for establishing a vision for the McConnell Center. He asked them to support the budget modifications. Prevention in a strength approach is also worthwhile from a human point of view but also from a fiscal point of view. This is such a help to the family and a great savings to the community for families to be able to count on high quality daycare. He asked all the board members to stand that were in the room along with the Dover adult community that is present tonight.

Jim Verschuen of 102 B Sixth Street Director of Dover Adult Learning had previewed the open house tonight with 75 citizens present. He is also a member of the Rotary Club. Also they were able to get a \$2,000 grant to help build the playground. As a citizen he is so proud of doing the McConnell Center this is really astonishing. They will be in there before Christmas.

Paula Daley 20 Mathes Hill Road is here speaking as a board member of Dover Adult Learning Center and as a parent that will utilize the center as her son turned 6 recently. This is in collaboration to be able to have their lives turn into being useful citizens she feels very fortunate to be able to give back to the community. She thinks these people will be given great opportunities because of the council.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The city manager stated he has submitted his report to them with the included performance measures and asked them to look at the building permits in 2006 and the building values are over 14 million as a result of permits issued last month. Over the weekend on Saturday for the bulb planting; he thanked Karen Drapanotis and Mike Provost and many people that came out to plant about 5,000 bulbs that will bloom next spring. He appreciates the work they did. The last item is the Turnkey Landfill, the council passed a resolution lately and he did send a letter out and they have a new commissioner and their invitation still stands to set up a meeting with Dover officials, he has sent out a note where the Turnkey management has invited them to a tour of the facility on Saturday, 11/18/2006 at 8:30 am, they will meet at the Turnkey Landfill Office. He asked them to let him know if they wanted to attend. Cheney stated she wants to go to the landfill meeting. She also wants a verbal update on the fast trans. Joyal asked Woody to address this. Woody says the fast trans project has federal funding of about \$550,000 including a local match. He has been working with them and there is a teleconference to



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leverage more fund to get this truly across the demographic spectrum surface and get this off the ground they need \$450,000 to get this going. Scott wants a source application report on the Cocheco River Dredging. Joyal will get that out to him. Also on each of the resolutions could you put the number on the top of each on each successive page. Joyal explained the electronic procession system and formatting. Hindle follows up to Scott the agenda item , Scott wants it on each page of the resolution.

Keays asked Joyal how much it was going to cost us for the Henry Law project. Joyal explained there are right of way issues that are holding the project up. Since this cannot be resolved yet they will start down near River Street and work their way back up. Keays wonders about the new windows for city hall; we approved them a year and a half ago and we still have no window as yet. Joyal stated this has recently gone out to bid. Keays asks why does it take so long to get a bid in this city; Keays says the costs are going up he cannot understand why when we give him the money why we don't go right out to bid. Joyal is not going to invest the time in the plan until the council authorizes the project. Keays says every project we do costs extra, why. Joyal says there are different reasons and not every project costs extra. Joyal does not control vendors and who bids on the projects; there are different reasons for each project. Keays stated it really bothers him to keep giving extra money for these projects.

The Mayor noted the city manager report has become a great resource. Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti with all in favor.

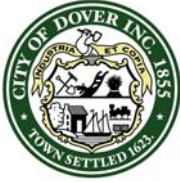
9. MINUTES

- A. REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – SEPTEMBER 27, 2006
- B. REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – OCTOBER 11, 2006
- C. SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP – OCTOBER 18, 2006

Hindle moved seconded by Trefethen with all in favor.

10. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor echoed the City Manager thanking the Main Street volunteers for the bulb planting project. He thanked the city clerk's office and staff and poll workers for their work on the election. Saturday is Veteran's Day and the ceremony is across the hall in the auditorium at 11 am, the public is encouraged to attend. He attended the final meeting of the senior center as they are moving into the McConnell center. He thanked Gary Bannon for keeping them involved and answering all their questions. A number of the seniors are very positive about the move. He thanked Gary Bannon. The Mayor was at the McConnell Center for a DALC pre open house; the building is really coming along. He attended a few ribbon cuttings and reminded all residents the Cocheco Waterfront Advisory Committee is holding a public forum, there will be an opportunity for the public to speak tomorrow night here at 7 pm in the chambers. Hindle moved seconded by DeDe with all in favor.



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11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES IN THE 2ND READING - NONE

B. ORDINANCES IN THE 3RD READING

1. ORDINANCE #10-08/23/2006, CHAPTER 166, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, SECTION 166-57, SCHEDULE J. LIMITED TIME PARKING – “SHUFFLING”. SPONSORED BY DEPUTY MAYOR JASON HINDLE, CHAIR TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMISSION. *(TO BE REMOVED FROM TABLE)*

Hindle wants this to remain on the table as this was an oversight on his part. Ms. Mason reminded him we were to have a roundtable discussion. All were in favor. Turner wants to know what a round table discussion is. Hindle says this will be with the TAC. Turner wants to know if he will be able to attend. Hindle stated the meeting is open to the public. This will keep the ordinance with the TAC for now.

C. Resolutions:

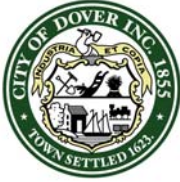
1. Resolution RE: Acceptance of Nantucket Court as a City Street. Sponsored by Mayor Scott Myers by Request.

Hindle moved seconded by Trefethen to adopt. Trefethen explained when the subdivision was done, the intentions were to have this become a city street. Also this will allow access to city owned land which could be the bluffs at the end of the street. Cheney asked when this was made a private road. Trefethen explained it takes while for a road to go thru the process to be a public road. She has a list of private roads and it is not on it. Trefethen says that her list is for roads that are always going to be private; this road was developed with the intent it would be public as soon as the developer finished.

Motion to adopt passed by all.

2. RESOLUTION RE: FY07 BUDGET AMENDMENT #2-MODIFICATION OF THE ACTION PLAN AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FY06 CDBG ENTITLEMENT FUND. SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS, BY REQUEST.

Hindle moved seconded by DeDe to adopt. Trefethen wants Stancel to come and explain the source of this money. Trefethen says this additional money has gone through the Planning Board with a couple of meetings and a public hearing and has been recommended to be approved. Stancel gave the history of how they used the federal CDBG funds to purchase a large tract of land, subdivided it and moved the homes and then sold the homes to first time homebuyers back in 1996 or 1997. They kept a 3.5 acre parcel; the original concept was it would be used for a north end fire station. They always knew they would have to reimburse the CDBG program for the value of this land. As part of the recent Liberty Mutual



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approval process they donated land to be used for a north end fire station. At the same time the State of NH was looking for a parcel for a park and ride; so earlier in the year there was a resolution for the sale of this parcel that came before the council for \$235,000 with the appraisal of this property. Previously it was anticipated they would get \$125,000 for this parcel so \$125,000 had previously been allocated to CDBG, so now that we are getting \$110,000 more that is why we are here before you this evening. DeDe commented this money must remain CDBG money because of the original source. Hindle stated one of joys of being on the council as long as he has is seeing the project in its entirety from the vision to completion. Cheney is also very pleased this project is coming to a close it is very nice inside. This is a highly appropriate use of these funds. The Mayor agrees these are three excellent groups to benefit from this money. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.

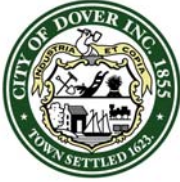
3. RESOLUTION RE: REVOCATION OF CERTAIN POLE LICENSE OF VERIZON. SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS BY REQUEST. (TO BE REMOVED FROM THE TABLE)

Hindle moved seconded by Trefethen to remove from table with all in favor. Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to adopt. Joyal gave the history of the resolution and the issue of poles being left in the city right of way and how PSNH and Verizon had come to a meeting and indicated they would remove the poles and how the process has been unacceptable as they promised no later than June. We held a meeting where all parties were present to discuss a procedure going forward. We will have a test to see how all their proposals will work on Glenwood Avenue as we have had telephone poles in the middle of a sidewalk and in terms of public safety they are causing some problems. The Mayor reiterated the problems with the pole removal and the establishment of the process going forward to have them removed in a timely manner. He feels we now have a process in place to address the situation. He would like them to vote against the resolution to kill it. Motion to adopt failed on a 0-9 vote.

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. TAG PERMIT – UNH FIGURE SKATING
2. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF BID #B07020 FOR A WHEEL LOADER MOUNTED 20' BOOM WITH A 50" FLAIL MOWER.** SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS, BY REQUEST.
3. **RESOLUTION RE: AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDER FOR RIVER STREET PUMP EQUIPMENT REPAIRS.** SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS, BY REQUEST.



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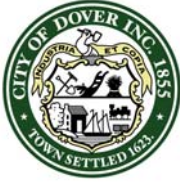
Hindle moved seconded by DeDe to grant and adopt. Hindle wanted the TAC committee report removed and Turner wants the flail removed and Cheney wants the 12 A -3 removed. All were in favor of the tag and committee report.

Hindle moved seconded by DeDe to adopt 12A-2. Hindle just corrected the \$5,000 for the \$55,000 amount in the now therefore section. Turner has a concern about why did we not get a bid from other vendors, don't we look outside of NH. He knows this a good price. Joyal says there were 26 potential vendors that were mailed a request to bid and this was also advertised. He cannot say why a vendor does or does not bid on an item. Turner wants to know why we need this machine when it has been said we already have this machine. Joyal says we really do not have a machine like this and we are in need of a heavier machine. This machine attaches to a loader as opposed to a sidewalk tractor. Scott stated he raised the issue of this machine a couple of months ago. Scott continued Bleiler is an expert in this type of equipment and says we need this so he will approve it based on his recommendation. Joyal called on Sam Crowley to speak about the current mower to Keays. Keays says the equipment is in reality is only 4 years old as the machine is only used about 3-4 months of the year. Keays won't support this resolution. Sam says this equipment takes a beating. Scott asked Mr. Bleiler and Bleiler thinks we would need to buy this equipment. Cheney agrees the growth is extensive on some of the streets. Keays stated in talking about overgrowth what did we do 50 years ago; people survived with overgrowth, now every thing has to be smoothed right out for them. This is \$55,000 and we need to be careful how we spend the money. Trefethen wants to relate the intersection of Back Road and Mast Road and how you can see around the corner. This year they spent 2 or 3 days cutting; with a piece of equipment like this it could have been done in less then an hour. And 50 years ago people did these things themselves but now they just won't. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 8-1 with Keays opposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| 1. Appointments Committee | 6. McConnell Center |
| 2. Arena Committee | 7. Planning Board |
| 3. Cable Franchise Negotiations Committee | 8. Recreation Advisory Board |
| 4. COAST Bus | 9. School Board Liaison - submitted |
| 5. Joint Building Committee | 10. Transportation Advisory Committee |

Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti on item 12B-3 to substitute as a whole. Hindle moved seconded by Cheney to adopt. She stated they are doing an evaluation on the smell issue; she wonders how this will relate to this and she would like an update on the odor control. Joyal asked Doug Steele to explain. Doug says this piece of equipment is at the beginning of the system when the flow comes in and grinds what comes down the pike so the material will not damage the equipment; and this unit slightly helps with odor control. We have to screen it with a big mechanical rake and it pulls the solids out and that creates a lot of odors. They will pull



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the unit out and ship the unit out and the company in turn ships it back to us. Keays notices this is only for the repair; Doug says there is a 1 year guarantee on the equipment. Keays says the smell will never go away. Turner wants to know how often we have to do this. Doug says this is an exchange program and part of a planned maintenance system. Trefethen followed up on Turner's comment this is coming from an account that we have budgeted money for these types of repairs. The original manufacturer is the only one to offer a guarantee. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.

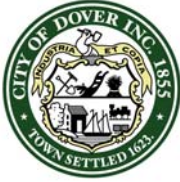
Under the TAC report Hindle wants to update them on the Rizzo recommendations, also this evening we heard about the Rizzo Report and the need for more public hearings and more public comment. As a person that has been a part of this from the start of the Rizzo project plan, he is aware of some of the comments made this evening and wants to continue to have public hearings at the TAC level. Lastly the 17.2 million seems to suggest this is up for a vote and that is not true. This is spread out in the CIP and is not up for a vote this year. The changes to the downtown area are occurring. On a lot of these long term projects the council will be voting on them but they may not be on the council by the time they come up. Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti with all in favor of the report.

B. RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTION RE: CITY COUNCIL FY2008 BUDGET GUIDANCE. SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR DOUG DEDE AND COUNCILOR DENNIS CIOTTI.

Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to adopt. DeDe says the comments tonight distorted the purpose of this resolution. There are items in the budget that are beyond the city manager's control. The timing has a lot to do with this. He thinks the city manager needs some sort of guidance for this process. On the resolution it should say "exclusive" in the background on the first page. The council is in control of this. Ciotti brought this up because he felt we needed another tool to keep spending and to use above and beyond the city manager's budget coming in unlike Scott's resolution of last year; this is the only part of the budget we can control.

Turner stated last August he gave a presentation on the confusion in this process. This January he wants to put in a tax bill based on a reverse methodology resolution after the CIP but he does not think it will work this year. He has talked to Joyal for over an hour trying to work the numbers both ways. Joyal explained this to him in layman's terms. He wishes all 9 of them could have been at this meeting. We need to work on this CIP this month. He thinks we need to give Joyal clear direction on the part he has control over. There are new spending obstacles we are going to have to overcome this year such as labor contracts, Tolend Road, County trends because of the election. The Mayor supports this and would like to incorporate Turner's ideas as we go along. Discussion ensued.



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The Mayor will support this. Cheney is pleased to see Turner's fresh new look at the budget. For this resolution, she would like to know what last years approved CIP amount had on the tax bill. She thinks we can include the CIP debt in the 2% or whatever percent of the budget. We need to control spending.

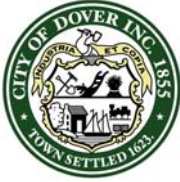
Keays has listened to Cheney and he agrees with her. We did not do the job last year. He says everyone of them protects the schools. To get a complete budget you have to bring everything to the surface. You can't keep hitting the city side to offset the school. Hindle wants to commend Ciotti and DeDe for bringing this forth.

Scott commends DeDe and Ciotti also as he related this to our own personal budgets. He wants budget 1 and 2 as well as budget 3 and 4. Scott continued we had Mr. Leggett explain this to us. Trefethen will vote for this as well. He commented on the idea of working back from the tax bill. To a very large degree we have already done what Turner has proposed. He continued to explain his idea of how as soon as the city manager gives his budget presentation; we know what the amount will be. But he is looking forward to giving Turner's idea a try.

Turner moved for a friendly amendment as a last line in the now therefore section to include the tax bill: "the city manager shall also submit a typical tax dollar increase on the average single family home which is \$290,000 at the time of his submitted budget"; DeDe seconded the amendment. Trefethen is opposed as the manager already does this. The second reason is the tax bill is unknown until the end of the year and the \$290,000 won't be the amount for the average homeowner by the time we send out the tax bill. DeDe says there is nothing inconsistent with this amendment. Scott will support it. Vote on amendment was passed with Keays and Trefethen opposed on a vote of 7-2. Scott wants to add an amendment "to include debt and operating capital as budget 3 and 4" as this is a significant piece. Hindle will second the motion for discussion. DeDe will oppose this suggested amendment. Trefethen again thinks all this is given to us every year with the budget. Hindle shares Scott's concern with the debt service; Cheney is also in favor of Scott's amendment. The Mayor disagrees and will not support it. Turner will not support the amendment. Hindle agrees with Scott but this resolution strictly ties in with the city manager goals they have set. Discussion ensued. Vote on amendment failed with Cheney and Scott in favor and 7 opposed. Vote on the main motion passed with all in favor on 9-0 vote. The city manager added he wants to be clear this is a budget exclusive of debt and capital.

2. RESOLUTION RE: SALE OF CITY PROPERTY – SENIOR CENTER ON THIRD STREET. SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS BY REQUEST.

Hindle moved seconded by DeDe to adopt. DeDe wants an amendment, Ciotti seconded the motion as the original is not exactly correct see now therefore of resolution as this will keep the accounting clean: Now therefore...A quitclaim deed be executed for the sale of the Senior Center on Third Street to Sage Properties, LLC of Exeter, NH for the agreed upon



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amount of \$350,000.00 to be deposited into the McConnell Center-Capital project and the 4% commission of \$14,000 to be charged to, General Fund Contingency Account.

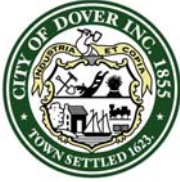
Trefethen asked how much we have in contingency' the city manager says \$80,000k. Cheney wants to know who the realtor is. Krans says it is Dumont Properties. She would like to see what Keays and Trefethen and Mr. Bardwell have requested which is a complete accounting of this project. Scott will vote against the amendment, we need to know how much we have in overruns. The city manager told them the cost was on the handout (Chris's list from the prior meeting), he disagrees with putting the \$14,000 into the general fund. Keays don't see on the list the amount of the \$200,000 from the community services. The city manager says it is at the bottom of the list. Hindle moved seconded by Cheney to suspend to go past 10:30 pm with all in favor on roll call vote.

Amendment passes 7-2 with Keays and Scott opposed. Hindle has a concern if the new buyer is going to put the building back on the tax roles and have we received any indication from the purchaser in putting it back on the tax role. Stancel says the zoning is RM-8 which allows for 3 units. He thinks it may be some sort of elder care unit. Hindle wonders if it will become a non profit. Stancel stated right now it is not planned for that. Motion to adopt passed on a roll call vote of 8-1 with Keays opposed.

3. RESOLUTION RE: TRANSFER OF CONTINGENCY FUNDS TO FINANCE DEPARTMENT.
SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS, COUNCILOR DEAN TREFETHEN, COUNCILOR DOUGLAS DEDE, COUNCILOR ROBERT KEAYS AND COUNCILOR DENNIS CIOTTI.

Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to adopt. Trefethen is here to answer what was said at citizen's forum, after contacting Turner with a discussion he agreed to sponsor it. The Mayor will support, Keays stated he was not at any meetings to get his name on the resolution. Ciotti also stated when he knew it was coming up again, Cheney was surprised to see this resolution had 5 sponsors on it. She won't say what but she thinks, why is this before us. We already see what 5 people think. Also we said no to this two weeks ago, she does not understand; she will not support this as this obliterates 91A on the world wide web. The city manager has councilors contact him with their concerns. The city manager gave his thoughts on this resolution; the manager has concerns with the back log of work in the finance department. He explained the path taken to put the 5 councilor's names on this resolution. There were no meetings. He has looked at other ways to staff these functions. The intent is to recognize he needs part time help in the finance office. Scott will vote against this for Cheney's reasons. Trefethen this is the second insinuation made tonight. How is this inappropriate he asked Cheney and Scott.

Cheney stated it is our responsibility for a sponsor to know who else is sponsoring and what the resolution says. She looks forward to seeing who is hired for this position.



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Hindle says because this has happened before and we were accused by Fosters Daily Democrat so be cautious about this approach. DeDe noted in the past he had decided to meet "hybrid emotion" head on; tonight he witnessed it again. We should not be trying to find a criminal in the city manager. Motion passed on a roll call vote of 6-3 with Scott, Cheney and Hindle opposed.

4. RESOLUTION RE: PUBLIC HEARINGS AT SPECIAL MEETINGS. SPONSORED BY COUNCILOR CATHERINE CHENEY AND DEPUTY MAYOR JASON HINDLE.

Hindle moved seconded by Cheney to adopt. Trefethen would rather see a citizen's forum instead of a public hearing. Turner says we motioned for this a couple of weeks ago and it failed. Keays thinks we are lenient about letting people speak; Keays will support this. Discussion ensued. The Mayor wants it to say in the last paragraph of the "now therefore section after City Charter...a public forum shall be allowed regarding items appearing on that particular agenda". Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to amend to show the above language. All were in favor of amendment. Main motion passed on a roll call vote of 9-0.

5. RESOLUTION RE: TRANSFER OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR LONG HILL ROAD/NH 108 SIGNALIZATION PROJECT. SPONSORED BY MAYOR SCOTT MYERS BY REQUEST.

Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to substitute as a whole with all in favor. Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to adopt.

Trefethen asked where is the money coming from is that general fund or CIP money Woody explained it is the Arena Park and Ride, TIP funds.

Turner concurs we need a traffic light up there and this will allow for crosswalks there as well. He asked has Woodruff heard anything from Somersworth on the property behind Portland glass. Woody says he wrote a letter to the NHDOT project manager asking for 100% of the funds, and the answer was no; he also asked if they were going to seek access to the old racetrack property for development as this is a very complex piece of property because the city line runs through at an angle. Motion passed roll call vote of 9-0.

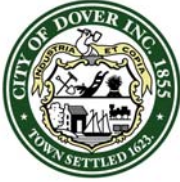
C. ORDINANCES IN THEIR FIRST READING - NONE

D. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

1. WETLANDS APPLICATION – LIBERTY MUTUAL GROUP

Hindle moved seconded by Ciotti to place on file with all in favor.

13. COUNCIL MATTERS OF INTEREST



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Cheney wants to bring up riverfront meeting tomorrow in chambers and was it posted for 10 days and will there be more than one meeting. The city manager says it has been posted as a public meeting and it is open to the public and they are encouraged to come. The waterfront committee's intent is to focus if people are happy with the architectural concept. As this proceeds he expects they will have regular open comment periods.

Meetings are all noticed in the public places. The city manager says there were 44 meetings with only 6 of them non public.

Keays commented on the waterfront the committee they had no choice to go along with Dickinson. Another thing on the budget he is from the old school and went to budget school. He hopes the budget won't be too complicated. Turner wants to know when the workshop session is on the Class 6 roads. The city manager says their schedule is pretty full now. Scott wants to know how many meetings we will have on the waterfront project. Trefethen says for this body none. Scott has talked to several people in ward 3 and 4 and they want to speak on it.

Scott had a call from a senior citizen who said the Mayor is taking the bank account from the Senior Citizens Center; the city manager says the money is theirs and they are going to use their finances to purchase furniture for their new building.

Scott wants the city manager to prepare a rough calculation how much is the debt service for a house assessed for \$300,000 to the nearest \$50.

Also Scott is getting a lot of calls on the assessing department as some of the assessments are way off and the staff is not treating the customers well. He thinks the city manager needs to take a good look at the assessing department. The city manager says we have a report that has been published. Scott added there seems to be an attitude problem in that office.

14. ADJOURN

Hindle moved seconded by Keays to adjourn at 11:20 PM with all in favor.