

City Council Minutes – April 10, 2001

COUNCIL CHAMBER, Topeka, Kansas, Tuesday, April 10, 2001. The Councilmembers of the City of Topeka met in regular session at 7:00 P.M.

AFTER THE MEETING was called to order, prayer was offered by Reverend Susan Candia, Saviors Lutheran Church.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present in the chamber.

FAREWELL TO MAYOR WAGNON AND PAST COUNCILMEMBERS James McClinton, Sam Carkhuff, Fran Lee, and Jim Gardner, was held.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY for newly elected Mayor Harry Felker and newly elected Councilmembers Duane Pomeroy, Harold Lane, Dan Stanley, Lisa Stubbs, and Gary Price, was held.

Mayor Felker called the meeting to order and the following Councilmembers were present: Duane Pomeroy, John Alcalá, Harold Lane, Betty Dunn, Dan Stanley, Clark Duffy, Lisa Stubbs, Vanessa Hill, and Gary Price -9. Mayor Felker presided –1.

THE CONSENT AGENDA was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 7145 introduced by Mayor Harry Felker naming banks and savings institutions that are designated as depositories for all City of Topeka accounts and authorizing signatures and rescinding City of Topeka Resolution No. 7090, was presented.

A FINAL PLAT for Colly Creek Subdivision No. 9 on property extending between SW 41st Street and SW 45th Street and either side of SW Cambridge Avenue in the City of Topeka, Kansas, was presented.

A FINAL PLAT for West Hills Subdivision No. 7 on property located at 5108 SW Brentwood Road in the City of Topeka, Kansas, was presented.

A FINAL PLAT for Holthaus Subdivision on property located at 7440 SW Morrill Road within unincorporated Shawnee County, Kansas, was presented.

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 27, 2001, were presented.

Councilmember Alcalá moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion seconded by Councilmember Dunn carried unanimously. (9-0-0)

CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 87 introduced by Councilmembers Betty Dunn and Duane Pomeroy concerning the election of the deputy mayor, amending City of Topeka Charter Ordinance Section A2-21, and specifically repealing that original section, placed on first reading March 27, 2001, was again presented.

Councilmember Pomeroy noted that the ordinance changes the term of the Deputy Mayor from two years to one year.

The ordinance was adopted on roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Councilmembers Pomeroy, Alcalá, Lane, Dunn, Stanley, Duffy, Stubbs, Hill, and Price –9.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR, was presented.

Mayor Felker stated that the Chair would entertain nominations for Deputy Mayor.

Councilmember Pomeroy nominated Betty Dunn. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alcalá.

Councilmember Pomeroy moved to cease nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. The motion seconded by Councilmember Hill carried unanimously. (9-0-0)

Mayor Felker announced that Councilmember Dunn was elected as the Deputy Mayor.

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Mayor Harry Felker relating to the vacation of a 20-foot wide drainage easement which crosses a portion of Lot 1, Block "A", Menninger Subdivision No. 3, City of Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas, on property located at the southwest corner of SW 6th Avenue and SW Commerce Place in the City of Topeka, Kansas, was presented for first reading. (V01E/2)

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Mayor Harry Felker amending the “District Map” referred to and made a part of the Zoning Ordinances by Section 48-1.04 of the Code of the City of Topeka, by providing for certain changes in zoning on property located at 1025, 1027, 1035, and 1039 SE Quincy Street, in the City of Topeka, Kansas from “C-4” Commercial District to “C-5” Commercial District, was presented for first reading. (Z01/04)

A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmember Duane Pomeroy amending Topeka City Council Rules and Procedures, approved January 20, 1998, and amended on November 17, 1998, February 23, 1999, December 21, 1999, December 12, 2000, and January 2, 2001, specifically amending Rule 2.12 and Rule 4.1, and rescinding said original sections, was presented for first reading.

A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmember Duane Pomeroy amending Council Committee Rules of Procedures, approved August 26, 1997, specifically Rule 6.A., and rescinding said original section, was presented for first reading.

REPORT FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, was presented.

John Arnold, Chief Administrative Officer asked about scheduling a work session with Council to discuss crime summit.

PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, were presented.

Councilmember Dunn stated that she would distribute a list of the Committees to Council so they could decide which committees they wanted to serve on.

Councilmember Pomeroy requested a resolution naming the new State Office Building after Charles Curtis be placed on a future agenda.

Mayor Felker stated that he distributed a job description of the Planning Director to Council for their review.

Ron Lassiter, David Price, Vic Miller, and John Kester appeared and spoke during public comment.

NO FURTHER BUSINESS appearing, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

Iris Walker
City Clerk