

Special Governing Body Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2017

LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER, Topeka, Kansas, Friday, August 22, 2017. The Governing Body members of the City of Topeka met in special session at 3:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Clear, Ortiz, Emerson, De La Isla, Jensen, Coen and Harmon -7. Mayor Larry Wolgast presided -1. Absent: Councilmembers Hiller and Schwartz -2.

Mayor Wolgast announced the purpose of the special meeting was to consider a contract to retain the services of a City Manager. He reported the Body would recess into executive session to discuss the contract and action may subsequently be taken after the Governing Body reconvenes into open session. He reported Councilmember Hiller and Councilmember Schwartz could not attend the meeting due to prior commitments.

Councilmember Harmon moved to excuse the Interim City Manager from the special meeting as is allowed by Charter Ordinance A2-55(c) and Topeka Governing Body Rules and Procedures Section 2.5(b). The motion seconded by Councilmember Jensen carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Councilmember Clear moved to recess into executive session for a time period of 30 minutes to discuss confidential employment matters pertaining to nonelected personnel, as justified by KSA 75-4319(b)(1) and for consultation with the City's legal counsel to discuss attorney-client privileged matters, as justified by KSA 75-4319(b)(2). In order to aid the discussion, the following individuals should be present: Governing Body members; Human Resources Director Jacque Russell and City Attorney Lisa Robertson. The motion seconded by Councilmember De La Isla carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Following a 25 minute time period, the Governing Body reconvened into open session and Mayor Wolgast announced no action was taken.

Councilmember Coen moved to add an item to the agenda as allowed by Topeka Municipal Code Section 2.15.040 and Topeka Governing Body Rules and Procedures Section 5.2, providing approval of a three-year Employment Agreement between the City of Topeka and Brent D. Trout to serve as the City Manager of the City of Topeka, Kansas, and directing Mayor Larry Wolgast to execute said Employment Agreement. The motion seconded by Councilmember De La Isla carried unanimously. (8-0-0) (*Contract No. 46211*)

NO FURTHER BUSINESS appearing the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Brenda Younger
City Clerk