Finance Committee Meeting December 17, 2013

The **Finance Committee** met Tuesday, December 17, 2013, at 12:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. Present were Chairperson Mark Ahner and Committee Members John Uden, Roxanna Brush and Bill Melnik.

Also present were Public Utilities Director Al Kelm, Public Works Director Scott Gray, Planner-in-Training/Grant Administrator Dawn Colton, Historic Preservation Officer Connie Muggli, Mayor C.A. Grenz, City Clerk Lorrie Pearce and Deputy City Clerk/Recorder Connie Watts.

ORDINANCE NO. 1261: Zone Change at Bobcat Property from Heavy Commercial to General Commercial

This ordinance has been recommended by the Zoning Board, and was passed on first reading at the last Council meeting December 10th.

** Committee Member Brush moved to recommend approval of Ordinance No. 1261, seconded by Committee Member Melnik.

Committee Member Brush, who is also a member of the Planning Board, noted that the ordinance references "Lot F-1...," and said it should read "Lot F-1, A,B,C, & D...."

** Committee Member Brush moved to change Ordinance No. 1261 to read "Lot F-1, A,B,C & D, also referenced as Tract F-1....", seconded by Committee Member Uden and passed unanimously, 4-0.

There was some conversation with **Roger Lothspeich**, the owner of the property, regarding site plan reviews for buildings that may be built on the property. He said he has formed a condominium association which, if the building is built under that association, it would not need a site plan review, as he understands it. This issue would have to be addressed as buildings are built.

He said he is also anxious to record the plat and asked when that could be done. Review and approval of the final plat will be placed on the January 14th agenda and, if approved, it could then be recorded.

* Committee Member Brush's original motion to recommend approval of Ordinance No. 1261 was then **passed unanimously**, 4-0.

<u>DNRC Contract for Grant Funds (\$6,000) for Professional Services to Apply for Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Grant of \$400,000</u>

Chairperson Ahner informed the Committee that there is an element of urgency on this item, as the deadline for the EPA grant for \$400,000 must be submitted by January 22, 2014. If the Council approves receiving the \$6,000 DNRC grant (which requires a \$600 match) at the 12:30 p.m. Council meeting today, Requests for Proposal can be solicited immediately.

Connie Muggli, Historical Preservation Officer, noted that this EPA grant had been applied for last year, so all the background information is available for the current application. She feels that the individual who will be hired with the \$6,000 grant funds should have ample time to process the EPA grant, if the Council approves the DNRC contract.

The EPA grant, she explained, is an area-wide assessment grant designed to help with cleanup of contaminated properties. It applies to all City-owned property or any property within the City limits.

** Committee Member Uden moved to recommend approval of the DNRC contract for grant funds in the amount of \$6,000. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Melnik and passed unanimously, 4-0.

Request of Citizens

None

Adjournment

Having no more business to come before the Committee,

** Committee Member Melnik moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Committee Member Brush and passed unanimously, 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairperson Mark Ahner

Connie L. Watts

Deputy City Clerk/Minute Recorder