

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

TUESDAY – APRIL 11, 2000

7:00 P.M.

AT

**CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS CITY OFFICE
1004 MELROSE AVENUE**

AGENDA

Call to Order.

Minutes of March.

Other Business: Second Consideration of Housing Code
 University Athletic Club Liquor License Renewal
 Discussion of Council Vacancy
 Amendment to Police Manual Concerning Pay Periods
 Discussion of Traffic Signal at Melrose and Sunset

Public Input.

Treasurer's Report. Payment of Bills.

Clerk's Report.

Legal Report.

Engineer's Report.

Police Report.

Mayor's Report.

Committee Reports: Finance
 Building, Zoning and Sanitation
 Fire and Police
 Street and Sidewalks
 JCCOG

Next Meeting: May 9, 2000

Gloria Jacobson, Mayor

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1004 Melrose Avenue

April 11, 2000

Mayor Jacobson called to order a regular meeting of the Council at 7:04 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jacobson; Council Members From, Gay, Jones, Martin; Attorney Ballard; Chad Lambi, Shive-Hattery Engineers & Architects; Police Chief McDonald; Treasurer Lane; Clerk Birk.

Others Present: Bernie Mauch, University Athletic Club; Leah Gause, Press-Citizen; Yon Schoenmaker; Lenny Robles, The Moveable Feast.

Absent: None.

ALL VOTES UNANIMOUS UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

MOTION by Martin, second by From, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting in March.
Carried.

MOTION by Martin, second by Gay, to approve the minutes of the special meeting on March 28.
Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Bernie Mauch asked Council to approve the renewal of the liquor license for the Athletic Club, and the outdoor service application from May to October.

MOTION by Martin, second by Gay, to approve the liquor license renewal for the University Athletic Club.
Carried.

MOTION by Gay, second by From, to approve the outdoor service application for the University Athletic Club.
Carried.

Council gave second consideration to the Housing Code. There was no public input after the special meeting on March 1 concerning this, nor after the first consideration in March.

MOTION by Martin, second by From, to suspend the requirement that an ordinance be read three times.
Carried.

MOTION by From, second by Martin, to adopt the Housing Ordinance.
Carried.

Mayor Jacobson expressed publicly her sympathy to Council Member Jones on the death of his Father.

Council discussed the vacancy that has been created due to the appointment of Council Member Jacobson to the position of Mayor. Council Member From spoke to several residents, but none preferred to serve at this time. Yon Schoenmaker, a member of the Zoning Commission, was present and expressed interest in the appointment. Council directed Attorney Ballard to publish notice of a special meeting to appoint a Council Member to the vacancy.

MOTION by Gay, second by Martin, to hold a special meeting on April 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the city office for the purpose of appointing a Council Member.

Carried

Lenny Robles asked Council to approve his application for renewal of the beer and wine permit for The Moveable Feast.

MOTION by Jones, second by Martin, to approve the renewal of the beer and wine permit for The Moveable Feast.

Carried.

Council discussed amending the Police Manual concerning the pay period for police officers. The pay period will now end on the 23rd of each month and time sheets will be delivered to the Treasurer on the 24th. The Treasurer will issue the paychecks on the first of the month and deliver them to the police officers' mail slots at the city office.

MOTION by Gay, second by Martin to approve the language amending the police manual so that the pay period for police officer will end on the 23rd of each month.

Carried.

A resident had complained to Council Member that she was almost hit by a car while crossing Melrose at Sunset. Council discussed the problems at this intersection and considered pedestrian walk buttons, but no action will be taken at this time.

A letter was received from Iowa City proposing to continue the contract for transit service. A 3% cost increase is proposed, which would raise the cost from \$28,050 to \$28,892 per year. Council will discuss this at their May meeting. Council Member Jones will contact Joe Fowler of Iowa City to find out what the cost increase represents and to ask for ridership data.

Gloria Jacobson was sworn in as Mayor. Attorney Ballard administered the oath of office.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Lane distributed the report for March. There are three outstanding payments due for sidewalk repairs.

MOTION by Martin, second by Jones for payment of all the bills.

Carried.

WARRANTS - MARCH

11627	Mid-American – street lights	Gen-CP	603.52
11627	Phillips 66 – car wash	Gen-CP	30.96
11629	City of Iowa City – gas	Gen-CP	172.81
11631	Westport Touchless – car wash	Gen-CP	24.00
11637	MPH Industries – radar	Gen-CP	2,108.00
11638	CEC – battery	Gen-CP	100.00
11645	Duncan Stewart – library card	Gen-CP	75.00
11649	Steve Stange – police March	Gen-CP	301.70
11623	Johnson Co – Feb 2000	Gen-HCE	1,350.00
11624	SEATS – Feb 2000	Gen-HCE	591.50
11629	City of Iowa City – bus	Gen-HCE	2,337.50
11639	Ken Kurtz – library	Gen-HCE	75.00
11640	Amy Carlson – library	Gen-HCE	75.00

11641	Janeta Tansey – library	Gen-HCE	75.00
11642	John McClure – library	Gen-HCE	75.00
11643	Stephen Girard – library	Gen-HCE	75.00
11619	Iowa State Bank – Feb	Gen-P&A	1,879.71
11620	Treasurer State of Iowa	Gen-P&A	291.00
11621	IPERS – clerk/treas	Gen-P&A	43.83
11621	IPERS – police	Gen-P&A	976.97
11622	Nate Moore – rent	Gen-P&A	650.00
11625	Johnson Co – Feb 2000	Gen-P&A	1,666.25
11626	Mid-American – electric detail	Gen-P&A	97.58
11626	Mid-American – electric detail	Gen-P&A	98.79
11626	Mid-American – office electricity	Gen-P&A	44.45
11628	Press-Citizen – publishing	Gen-P&A	223.10
11629	City of Iowa City – water	Gen-P&A	14.64
11629	City of Iowa City – administration	Gen-P&A	10.00
11630	US Cellular – phone	Gen-P&A	112.35
11632	McLeod TMO – telephone	Gen-P&A	111.48
11633	Shive-Hattery – prof services	Gen-P&A	1,895.95
11635	IAMU – membership	Gen-P&A	318.06
11636	Pat Birk – office supplies	Gen-P&A	141.30
11644	Leff, Hauptert – prof services	Gen-P&A	11,713.93
	returned check	Gen-P&A	8.00
11646	Robert McDonald – police March	Gen-P&A	1,871.72
11647	Garry McCune – police March	Gen-P&A	1,575.30
11648	Brian Shimon – police March	Gen-P&A	1,647.73
11650	Pat Birk – clerk March	Gen-P&A	205.92
11651	Catherine Lane – treas March	Gen-P&A	205.92
11653	Bill Gay – 1 st quarter	Gen-P&A	184.98
11654	Gloria Jacobson – 1 st quarter	Gen-P&A	184.98
11655	Marty Jones – 1 st quarter	Gen-P&A	184.98
11656	Richard Martin – 1 st quarter	Gen-P&A	184.98
11660	Don Swanson – Jan & Feb	Gen-P&A	303.19
11634	Kennedy Snow Removal – snow removal	RoadUse	3,385.00

CLERK’S REPORT: According to the US Census website, University Heights currently has a 67% response rate to the 2000 census. The Johnson County Soil and Water Conservation District wants to label storm sewers in the Horn school district with stickers that read “No Dumping, Drains to River.” The audit of FY 98 is completed and was distributed. The recommendations that were made were discussed.

ENGINEER’S REPORT: Street sweeping will be done soon. The trees on the Nash property that were interfering with school buses have been trimmed. A sidewalk survey is being done to see that property owners who were notified last year have complied. Repairs that have not been paid will be re-billed. Plans and specs for 2000 street improvements are being prepared. There is no evidence that a snowplow damaged a property on Melrose so the issue will be dropped. Gary Kennedy has informed Engineer Lambi that he does not wish to renew the contract for snow removal. Bids will be solicited for snow removal.

POLICE REPORT: New parking tickets have been ordered and received. Chief McDonald gave the police report for the month.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Since no Council Members requested a change in responsibilities, assignments will remain the same. Mayor Jacobson reported on an ECICOG vote and an upcoming meeting that she will attend. There was discussion about having a policy for passing on documents when a Council Member leaves. The handbill that was distributed to some residences that suggested that University Heights be assimilated into Iowa City was discussed. Due to the anonymous nature of the document no attention will be given to it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FIRE AND POLICE: Council Member Gay reported that the Police Department had defibrillator training and Council may want to consider purchasing a unit at a cost of about \$3,000. This will be discussed next month. Applications for medical insurance have been received that the police officers will fill out so that quotes can be obtained.

JCCOG: Council Member Jones reported on the redevelopment of the Mormon Trek corridor. A permanent site for household hazardous waste should be ready by late summer or early fall.

Upon motion the Council adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

Approved

Gloria N. Jacobson, Mayor

Attest

Patricia Birk, Clerk

NOTE: Minutes subject to approval and corrections.