Regular City Council Meeting City Council Chambers October 21, 2008 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor – Joyce Hudson

> Jim Aden Tim Strauser Jeff Whiting

City Administrator Bruce Clymer

City Clerk Connie L. Dalrymple

City Attorney Mike Bacon

Press: Gothenburg Times - Beth Barrett

Also present: Eppie Sisneros, Shane Gruber, Blaine Peterson, Joyce Kolbo, Nancy Fisher, Kelly Phillips, Ilona Jordison, Erica Cardenas, Seth Riker, Nate Wyatt

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda were given to the Council and members of the press. City Council meetings are conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is available for public inspection on the north wall of the Council Chambers.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, to approve the consent agenda that included:

City Council minutes – October 7

Cemetery Board minutes- September 25 & October 9

Treasurer's Report - September

Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Aden moved, Whiting seconded, allowing payment of the claims against the City, \$48,243.22; Public Works Division \$318,297.45; and the October 16 payroll of \$29,809.90. Roll call vote: Yea – Strauser, Kennedy, Whiting, Aden. Nay - none.

OPEN FORUM:

- Members of the Dawson Area Development Leadership class were welcomed
- There will not be a quorum for the November 4 meeting. Unless an emergency arises, there will be only one meeting, on November 18.

Nathan Wyatt reviewed the plan documents for the employee pension plan including the changes as discussed and approved. The plan will be held nd administered by Hartford Life Ins on Nov 1. Nate will meet with each employee to discuss their options and discuss the plan with them.

Kennedy moved, Strauser seconded, to pass and approve Resolution 2008-21, the Money Accumulation Pension Plan for the City of Gothenburg Employees, to be effective November 1, 2008 with Hartford Life Ins. Roll call vote: Yea - Whiting, Aden, Strauser, Kennedy. Nay - none.

Aden moved, Whiting seconded, to pass and approve Resolution 2008-22, the 457 Pension Plan for the City of Gothenburg employees, to be effective November 1, 2008 with Hartford Life Ins. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Strauser, Whiting, Aden. Nays – none.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, approving the appointment of Koby Rickertson, Dan Walker, and Dustin Cullen to the Fire Department. Roll call vote: Yea – Whiting, Strauser, Aden, Kennedy. Nay – none.

Kelly Phillips and Erica Cardenas presented several designs for the wall mural at Highways 47 and 30. The renderings were from the junior and high school art class. The Gardenaires Club is heading the project and Nancy Fisher said the work would not begin until spring although much of the prep work could happen during the fall and winter months.

The existing planter in the corner traps run off water from the roofs and it leaks into Blaine Peterson's building. If the planter is removed, the plant growth against the wall could be removed. The current paint needs to be removed, the wall patched and primed with oil base paint. Travis Coe, GHS art instructor, will consult with mural professionals on procedure.

It was the consensus of the Council to remove the back planter, inspect the wall and determine needs, then decide on a mural design. The city crew will assist with the work as time and weather allows.

Blaine Peterson asked Council to de-annex the lots in Peterson Estates Subdivision because he does not want to pay for more paving. There is a unpaved dedicated street south of lot 7 that is not opened. The City has no intention or need to open it because it only goes into a field owned by Peterson at the present time.

Steve Peterson recently met with Attorney Bacon and Administrator Clymer because he wants to expand his back yard into the property owned by Blaine but does not want to subdivide the lots and install the infracture required by a subdivision in an R-1 zoning district. He can create a 1-lot subdivision with the lot facing 27^{th} Street that will meet his needs and not require a subdivision.

No action was taken at this time.

The City of Gothenburg is required to adopt an Identify Theft Prevention Plan under the FACT Act by November 1, 2008. The plan is designed to protect the identity of utility customers. The office has initiated some changes and will implement more as a part of the program. The City Clerk will administer the plan including annual reviews and training.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, to pass and approve Resolution 2009-23 adopting the Identify Theft Prevention Plan. Roll call vote: Yea – Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy, Aden. Nay – none.

Kennedy moved, Whiting seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Strauser, Whiting, Kennedy. Nay – none. The next regular meeting will be November 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m.

Joyce Hudson, Mayor	Connie L. Dalrymple, City Clerk