



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CLOSED SESSION
ALDERMANIC LIBRARY
2ND FLOOR
OCTOBER 26, 2009
10:28**

PRESENT:

Aldermen Fiske	Alderman Tendam
Alderman Wynne	Alderman Grover
Alderman Wilson	Alderman Rainey
Alderman Holmes	Alderman Burrus

STAFF:

Wally Bobkiewicz City Manager, Elke Purze Interim First Assistant Corporate Counsel, Martin Lyons Assistant City Manager, Joellen Daley, HR Director, Dave Stoneback, Superintendent Water & Sewer

PRESIDING:

Mayor Elizabeth B. Tisdahl

Litigation

The City Manager called upon Mr. Stoneback to present his report on a settlement agreement with Scale Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$75,000.00 to resolve the Contractor's request for a time extension and additional compensation related to Evanston Water Utility Expansion and Renovations project. As to date, he stated five change orders to the contract have been approved and a sixth order is being prepared and there will be a savings of \$105, 586.68 at the completion of the settlement. Upon the completion of his report the Council agreed to grant Mr. Stoneback authority to make the offer.

The City Manager asked Ms. Daley, HR Director to present an updated report of her negotiations. She talked about the Horemis matter and advised that we are in the process

of filing our brief with the Arbitrator. She also mentioned that we are proceeding to arbitration with the Teamsters as we have been unable to come to agreement on a successor collective bargaining agreement through the mediation process.

Real Estate

Ms. Purze, Interim First Assistant Corporate Counsel, spoke of the property located at 1829-1831 Simpson Street, and the request by Flepspace, LLC who purchased the property for \$235,000.00. Flepspace initially wanted to redevelop the property for a cabinet-making business, but now is applying for a building permit to convert the property into a two-family rental dwelling.

All Staff left the meeting at this point.

Personnel

Mr. Bobkiewicz, City Manager announced he was ready to make an offer to hire the Interim First Assistant Corporate Counsel. He also stated he will be making an offer to hire the new Community Developer Director as well.

Minutes

Minutes from June 22nd, July 13th, September 14th and September 21st were approved as corrected.

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rodney Greene / City Clerk