



Jim Brownlee, CPA, City Administrator
Sharon Schacher, City Finance Director
Dorinda Anderson, Business Development Director

The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, April 3, 2006, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Lou Bennett, Bryan Schulz and Mark Simmons. Absent was Brenda Warren. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to approve the Order of Agenda. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bennett moved and Commissioner Schulz seconded to approve the Minutes of March 20, 2006. No opposition. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed Building Permits #109 - 135 along with the Building Department Activity Report dated April 3, 2006 and the Building Permit Monthly Comparison Report for March 2005/ March 2006.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports.

Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Bills

Proclamation for National Public Safety Telecommunications Week April 9-15, 2006

Reappointment of Kim Keller to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a second five-year term to April 2011

Stormwater Permit Fee Schedule as recommended by Public Works Director Barry Johnson

Plans and Specifications for Sewer Improvement District No. 1189 (Section 29 Lift Station/Forcemain) and authorize Advertisement for Bids with bid opening on April 27, 2006

Engineer's Report for City Sidewalk District No. 6043 (New Walks – 2006)
and authorize City Engineer to prepare Plans and Specifications

No opposition. Motion carried.

Don Martin of F-M Ambulance Service appeared before the Commission on the request for financial support for construction of a Cass-Clay Emergency Services Memorial at Lindenwood Park in Fargo, ND. City Attorney Brian Neugebauer advised that the City cannot make a donation to F-M Ambulance, however there could be a donation made through a Joint Powers Agreement with the Fargo Park District. Don Martin was instructed to contact the Fargo Park District.

Mike Driscoll appeared before the Commission for permission to place a 20' X 36' greenhouse in the northeast corner of the Sunmart Parking lot at 1100 13th Avenue East which would be in use from April 21 to June 25, 2006. Planning Director Larry Weil advised Mr. Driscoll to contact Building Administrator Mark Housh for a Temporary Building Permit. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve this request for a greenhouse. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Assessor Wanda Wilcox appeared before the Commission on the request from Bordertown Bar & Grill at 807 Main Avenue East for a five year remodeling exemption for their remodel and expansion project of the bar/restaurant. After discussion, Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to grant the five year remodeling project exemption to Bordertown. No opposition. Motion carried.

Planning Director Larry Weil appeared before the Commission on behalf of Business Development Director Dorinda Anderson for approval of two Renaissance Zone projects at 1007 West Main Avenue for RAG Properties LLC for the property tax exemption and state income exemption and for Gabel Masonry Construction Inc. for the operation of their business. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the two Renaissance Zone projects. No opposition. Motion carried.

Planning Director Larry Weil appeared before the Commission on Kass 3rd Addition. A public hearing was held on the rezoning of Kass 3rd Addition from Agricultural to Planned Unit Development. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. Commissioner Schulz moved to place the rezoning on First Reading subject to the conditions listed in the Staff Report along with the condition for a 32' wide drive aisle to accommodate parking. Motion died for lack of second.

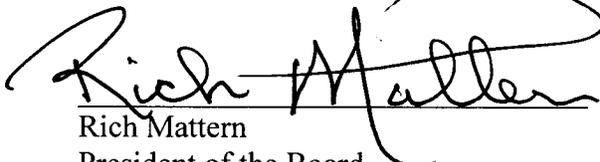
Planning Director Larry Weil appeared before the Commission on the Amendment to the Official Extraterritorial Boundary Map. A public hearing was held on the amendment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to place the Amendment to the Official Extraterritorial Boundary Map on First Reading as recommended by Staff. No opposition. Motion carried.

Planning Director Larry Weil appeared before the Commission on behalf of Senior Planner Steve Zimmer on Ordinance No. 769 relating to the rezoning of Lots 1-5, Block 1 of Geller's 2nd Addition from Light Commercial to Planned Unit Development. Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to place Ordinance No. 769 on Second Reading. No opposition. Motion carried.

Rendell Klein of 103 E. Main, West Fargo, ND appeared before the Commission for permission to do business of car sales while the Conditional Use Permit is in the approval process. Police Chief Arland Rasmussen appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to approve the business temporarily until the Conditional Use Permit is in place. No opposition. Motion carried.

There was no correspondence.

Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.



Rich Mattern
President of the Board



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City Auditor



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The West Fargo City Commission met as the Board of Equalization on Tuesday, April 11, 2006, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Brenda Warren, Bryan Schulz, Lou Bennett and Mark Simmons. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

City Assessor Wanda Wilcox provided a list of taxpayers that have expressed concern regarding their 2006 valuations:

Gloria Goertel – 1701 Main Avenue E., 02-3000-00559-000

Dell Arneson – 2050 Main Ave W., 02-0702-00030-000

Menard's – 1300 13th Avenue E., 02-0084-00010-000

D & D Warehouse – 1822 Main Avenue W., 02-3000-00861-000

Harold Stenson – 1565 Cambridge Dr., 02-0058-00360-000

The following individuals appeared before the Board regarding the 2006 valuations:

Roger Ellingson
1001 10th Avenue NE – West Fargo, ND

Harvey Nitschke
5048 Sheyenne St – West Fargo, ND

City Assessor Paul Houdek provided a chart where tax dollars go in the City of West Fargo.

Commissioner Schulz moved and Commissioner Bennett seconded to forward the protests to the County and to approve the real estate assessments for the City of West Fargo for 2006 as established by the City Assessor. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Warren moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.

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