

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

AUGUSTA, MAINE

September 8, 2006

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 7:00 p.m., Council Chambers, City Center.

All members of the Council were present; Mayor Dowling presided.

Proclamation - September as Alcohol & Drug Addiction Recovery Month for the City of Augusta

Public Hearing - Malt and Vinous Liquor License Application for Sakura Japanese Cuisine, 34 Western Avenue (Order #141)

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda

OLD BUSINESS AND TABLED MATTERS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, FINAL READING

139 BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 7, section 2 Voting Places, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended as follows:

(a) For the purposes of this section the term "voting place" shall mean the building in which ballots are cast at an election.

(b) The voting places in the city wards are the following:

Ward 1: Augusta State Armory Buker Center

Ward 2: City Center

Ward 3: Augusta Civic Center

Ward 4: Augusta Vocational Center St. Andrews Parish Hall

(c) The voting place locations described in subsection (b) of this section may be temporarily changed by Council order provided that the alternative locations and procedures comply with applicable state statutes.

Yeas: 7; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Coffin, Koski, Lund

Nays: 1; Lerman

NEW BUSINESSHAS BEEN READ AND TABLED

- 142 ORDERED, That the City Council adopt the general policy (see attached) recommended by the Traffic Calming Committee.

Yeas: 6; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Lerman, Koski
Nays: 2; Coffin, Lund

HAS BEEN READ AND NOT PASSED

- 143 ORDERED, That the City Council accept the opinion of Corporation Counsel that the petition question; "Shall it be ORDERED that the City preserve all of the Cony High School site, which includes the "Flatiron" Building, for use by the citizens of Augusta according to the deeds restrictions, for "education, athletic field or playground and pleasure ground?" is not in conflict with the general laws of the Constitution of Maine or Charter or Ordinances of the City of Augusta and that the petitions should be issued.

The City Clerk shall cause to be printed at the expense of the petitioners an adequate supply of petitions prepared for the voters of the City for invoking the proposed question.

Yeas: 3; Gomeau, O'Brien, Koski
Nays: 5; Byron, Doore,
Lerman, Coffin, Lund

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

- 140 ORDERED, That minutes of the City Council meeting held August 21, 2006 submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Yeas: 7; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Lerman, Coffin, Lund
Nays: 1; Koski

- 141 ORDERED, That the following application for a Malt and Vinous Liquor License be approved:

Sakura Japanese Cuisine, 34 Western Avenue.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Lerman, Coffin, Koski, Lund
Nays: 0

NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED (Con't)

144 ORDERED, That the City Council accept the opinion of Corporation Counsel that the petition question; "Shall it be ORDERED that all rezoning, changing from one zone to another zone (Example: residential zone to a commercial zone) which the City Council passes be submitted to the voters for final approval?" is in conflict with the general laws of the Constitution of Maine or Charter or Ordinances of the City of Augusta and that the petitions should not be issued.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Lerman, Coffin, Koski, Lund
Nays: 0

145 ORDERED, That the City Council accept the opinion of Corporation Counsel that the petition question; "Shall it be ORDERED that all rezoning, changing from one zone to another zone (Example: residential zone to a commercial zone) be submitted to the voters of Augusta for final approval?" is in conflict with the general laws of the Constitution of Maine or Charter or Ordinances of the City of Augusta and that the petitions should not be issued.

Yeas: 8; Byron, Doore, Gomeau, O'Brien,
Lerman, Coffin, Koski, Lund
Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell
City Clerk