

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

AUGUSTA, MAINE

February 28, 2003

Minutes of the special City Council meeting held Monday, February 24, 2003 at 6:30 p.m., Conference Room A, City Center.

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

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, TWO READINGS WAIVED, AS AMENDED

019 BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, Maine, That the parcels of land shown as lots 7, 8, and 10 on Augusta Tax Map 5; and lots 9A and 14 on Tax Assessor Map 5B be generally re-zoned from RA (Low Density Residential) District to CD (Civic Center District). with the condition that no public vehicular access is to be provided from Old Belgrade Road to the Augusta MarketPlace Mall.

Yeas: 7; Sotir, Veilleux, Foster,
O'Brien, Davis, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED, AS AMENDED

017 ORDERED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to appoint a committee of seven (7) members to include representation from the public at large, the City Council, the Augusta Sanitary District, the Augusta Water District, the City Manager, and the Assistant City Manager.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the charge to this committee shall be as follows:

The Ad Hoc Utilities Committee shall conduct a thorough review of the mission, functions and activities of the Augusta Sanitary District, the Augusta Water District and related components of Augusta city government so as to identify potential opportunities for cooperation, sharing of resources and services, consolidation, organizational restructuring, privatization or any other change in current status that might, in the committee's opinion, be of benefit to both City government and the City's residents. The Committee shall make recommendations to the City Council for the timely implementation of its findings and

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recommendations. The Committee shall invite the participation of and take advantage of the knowledge and expertise of the professional staff of the City and both districts. The Committee shall consult with the City Attorney, as needed. As soon as possible, the Committee shall determine the extent to which it requires the assistance of outside professional consultants, determine the expected cost of said consultants and report back to Council with a request for funds necessary to retain said consultants. The Committee will not be constrained in its examination of alternative service delivery options and may include the potential role of other area local governments and/or utility districts. The Committee will issue its findings and recommendations to City Council on or before August 1, 2003 or seek an extension of that deadline by June 1, 2003.

Yeas: 7; Sotir, Veilleux, Foster,
O'Brien, Davis, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED

018 ORDERED, That the position of Childcare Program Coordinator is hereby created and that said position shall be funded from non-property tax resources.

Yeas: 6; Sotir, Veilleux, Foster,
Davis, Koski, Lund

Nays: 1; O'Brien

019A ORDERED, That the City Council recommends to the Augusta Planning Board that no permits be issued and no vehicle access be allowed across Old Belgrade Road to the Augusta MarketPlace Mall except for emergency vehicles.

Yeas: 7; Sotir, Veilleux, Foster,
O'Brien, Davis, Koski, Lund

Nays: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Frith
City Clerk

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HAS BEEN READ AND PASSED (Con't)