

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 9, 1990

TO: Michael G. Herring, City Administrator

FROM: William C. Hawn, Director of Public Works/City Engineer

RE: Minutes - Meeting Public Works/Parks Committee

A meeting of the Public Works/Parks Committee was held on August 9, 1990. Those in attendance included Councilmember Jade Bute, Chairperson, (Ward II), Councilmember Alan Politte (Ward III), Councilmember Nancy Greenwood (Ward I), City Administrator Michael G. Herring, and Director of Public Works/City Engineer William C. Hawn, Assistant City Administrator/Personnel Director Brenda Love Collins. Also in attendance were Larry Connell, Environmental Industries & Marvin Rothberg, Browning Ferris Industries.

The following is a listing of those items discussed by the Committee at this meeting:

1. City Administrator Michael G. Herring advised the Committee of solid waste collections hours in other cities. Citizens of Chesterfield have been complaining about the hours of trash pick up. The City of Ballwin does not allow garbage collection before the hour of 6:00 A.M. or after 8:00 P.M. with no collection allowed on Sunday. The City of Creve Coeur does not allow garbage collection before 7:00 A.M. or after 5:00 P.M. in residential areas. Maryland Heights does not allow collections before 7:00 A.M. or after 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Connell stated his crews start at 6:00 A.M. in the summer due to the hot weather. There is more volume during the summer and fall due to grass and leaves. This results in more loads and to start at 7:30 A.M. would result in not all of the loads being dumped at the landfills. The landfills close at 5:00 P.M. He also stated that principals insist that trash should be collected before students arrive at area schools.

Mr. Rothberg said he preferred trash collection to start at 6:00 A.M. in the City. This puts the trucks in the neighborhoods before the buses.

Councilmember Nancy Greenwood made a motion to adopt the enclosed ordinance, which would allow collection only between the hours of 7:00 A.M. & 7:00 P.M. Councilmember Jade Bute seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. This recommendation will be forwarded to the City Council. This proposed ordinance applies to all residential areas and only those commercial areas that are within 500 ft. of a residence.

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2. Assistant City Administrator Brenda Love Collins explained the Parks & Recreation Survey. The Committee reviewed the survey and had discussions on hiring a Director of Parks & Recreation. Following much discussion, the Committee decided to recommend that the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and the Citizen Interaction Committee jointly develop a survey questionnaire, which will be reviewed & approved by this Committee and City Council, before being distributed with the Jan./Feb. Citizen Newsletter. It was also decided that an article should be developed for the October Citizen Newsletter, informing citizens of this upcoming survey. The Committee further recommends that the City make a commitment to hire a consultant after the Parks & Recreation Survey has been reviewed and analyzed. It was felt that business license revenue should be utilized for this purpose. Any action concerning the hiring of a Director of Parks and Recreation was tabled; however, it was felt that the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee should develop suggestions as to the qualifications that a Parks & Recreation Director should have. These recommendations will ultimately be submitted to Assistant City Administrator/Personnel Director Brenda Love Collins, if approved by this Committee.

3. Director of Public Works/City Engineer William C. Hawn reviewed his memo concerning "Street Trees". The discussion involved the development of a list of specific types of trees that could be planted between the sidewalks & the curblines of streets. Mr. Hawn explained the types of trees that had caused problems in the past & that much of the sidewalk repairs currently in progress were as a result of damage caused by these trees. Following much discussion, it was recommended unanimously that the City adopt a policy which approves placement of the enclosed list of seven (7) trees in the area between sidewalks & street curblines. This policy would apply to new subdivisions as well as replacement for existing trees. If approved by City Council, the Committee recommends that a letter be sent to the Planning Commission by City Administrator Herring, informing the members of the Planning Commission of this decision and recommending that the Subdivision ordinances be changed accordingly. Secondly, a notice of this decision should be mailed to all area nurseries, urging them to recommend these specific types of trees for planting in the areas noted above. Thirdly, Mr. Hawn should prepare an article for the Jan./Feb. Citizen Newsletter, informing all residents of this new requirement. Finally, the Committee voted unanimously to authorize Mr. Herring to send letters to the heads of State & County Highway Departments, requesting each amend their bid specifications to require the planting of street trees, in conjunction with any major improvement project to a State or County roadway.

4. Councilmember Greenwood next informed the Committee that the Recycling Committee had incurred expenses, in conjunction with its monthly Recycling Days at Chesterfield Mall. The Committee voted unanimously to recommend that it be authorized to approve reimbursement of expenses incurred by the Recycling Committee, on a quarterly basis. Councilmember Greenwood also suggested that a proclamation be prepared

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which would officially thank Chesterfield Mall for their support of the Recycling Committee. Councilmember Bute suggested that the proclamation thank Chesterfield Mall for their support of the City of Chesterfield in general. This recommendation was approved unanimously by the Committee. Finally, the Committee discussed concerns expressed by the Recycling with regard to a lack of filing space for the City's Boards/Commissions/Committees. Following discussion, it was recommended unanimously that the City purchase an additional 4-drawer lateral file from Hayworth for use by the following groups: Chesterfield Recycling Committee; Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee; Historical Commission; Citizens Interaction Committee. With filing for all other Boards/Commissions/Committees is presently being maintained by City Staff.

5. Public Works Director William C. Hawn reviewed the status of Construction of City, County and State projects.

6. Councilmember Jade Bute noted that there will be no Public Works/Parks Committee meeting on September 6, 1990.

7. The next meeting will be on Thursday, August 23, at 5:30 P.M. with the Home Builders Association. Mr. Hawn will invite Mr. Geisel & Mr. Pratt to attend this meeting as well.

8. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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