

The Special Session was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Copeland. Present were Councilmembers Montgomery, Bacon, Campbell, Vogt, and Huttmann. Absent was Councilmember Randall. Also present were City Manager Wilkes and City Attorney Glinstra.

**1. CALL SPECIAL SESSION TO ORDER**

**2. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by Vogt, seconded by Bacon, to recess into Executive Session under the personnel exception to the Kansas Open Meetings Act to consider the following item for 50 minutes. Passed 6-0.

**PERSONNEL**

- A. Discussion of the City Auditor annual evaluation.

The meeting recessed at 6:07 p.m.

Councilmember Randall arrived at 6:15 p.m.

**3. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

**4. OLD BUSINESS**

**UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE**

- A. Ordinance No. 07-86, UDO-07-001, requesting approval to amend Chapter 18.64 of the Olathe Municipal Code pertaining to regulation of billboards. Applicant: City of Olathe was reconsidered.

The Senior Planner overviewed the Planning Commission actions of September 24, 2007 regarding this matter. He noted the decision was unanimous. He indicated briefly, the recommendation was to allow existing billboards to remain, but could rebuild depending upon cause of destruction; and no new billboards.

Councilmember Huttmann spoke about the difference between disrepair and natural destruction. She suggested yearly inspections, but that sufficient criteria be developed so each site is inspected in the same manner. Ms. Huttmann asked about the time frames for vacant boards. The Senior Planner noted if a billboard remains vacant for three months, it can be removed. He noted for a two-faced board, it would require both faces vacant for the three-month time frame. Ms. Huttmann stated she would support a shorter time-frame.

Mike Dahir, 12804 Maple Street, Overland Park, Kansas, read a letter he submitted earlier in the day to the Council. He asked the Council to go forward with the billboard applications he submitted.

Motion by Randall, seconded by Bacon to approve.

Motion by Huttman, seconded by Campbell, to amend the motion to allow staff to continue the process review of the three pending applications. YEA: Montgomery, Campbell, and Huttman. NAY: Copeland, Bacon, Randall, and Vogt. Failed 4-3.

The vote on the original motion was passed, 7-0.

**UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE**

- B. Ordinance No. 07-93 amending Ordinance No. 07-55 pertaining to an administrative delay in the issuance of sign permits for billboards pending passage of an ordinance amending the sign ordinance was not considered.

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**PERSONNEL**

- A. Discussion of the City Auditor annual evaluation.

Mayor Copeland announced the Council met earlier to discuss the evaluation of the City's internal auditor. He noted the Council reviewed his performance and the Council believes he has completed an outstanding year and have high regard for him, as do others internally and externally. He stated the Council desires to increase his salary by \$10,000.00.

Motion by Randall, seconded by Montgomery, to adjust the City Auditor's salary by \$10,000.00. Passed 7-0.

**6. ADJOURN FROM SPECIAL SESSION**

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

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City Clerk