

## Council Study Session Minutes, May 29, 2012

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Ely City Council Study Session was called to order by Mayor Skraba at 6:40 p.m. on May 29, 2012 at the Joint Maintenance Facility.

Present: Council members Debeltz, Nikkola, Omerza, Polyner, Sheddy, Zupec and Mayor Skraba (7)

Absent: None

### II. ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA: None

### III. OLD BUSINESS:

Council member Nikkola brought forth Employee Relations Committee recommendation for the Council to adopt a Code of Ethics for its members and the members of the various boards and commissions of the City. Council member Zupec stated that he felt it was simply more paper to push around and not necessary since most of the issues covered under the Code of Ethics are already covered in other policies that have been adopted by the Council. Council member Polyner commented it is simply a formality of professionalism that should be adopted. The Council did not advance any recommendation for this or further consideration at any future regular council meeting.

Projects Committee recommended for two city owned properties to be placed up for sale and if no offers by July 1, 2012 then the existing buildings on these properties should be torn down or contents of the buildings removed. The legal description of these properties are: the unplatted portion of the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ 33/63/12 west of 4<sup>th</sup> principle meridian (near Amici's) and Lots 12 thru 15 inc, Auditors Plat of Chandler Addition to Ely (Lakeview Ave). The City Clerk will provide motion language to affect this for the June 5<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Operations Director Langowski presented 5 options for providing the current city services housed in the Community Center and City Hall which include operating and construction cost. Projects Committee recommends Option 4 & 5 as the most beneficial ways to proceed. Option 4 is to construct a new library and city hall at West White site and remodel 8,000 sq.ft. of the public works garage for police and fire and sell or demolish city hall and the community center. Total cost estimated at \$4,123,300 & estimated operating savings is \$192,200. Additional cost to taxpayers would be \$74/\$100,000 in property value. Option 5 is to construct a new library, city hall, fire and police department at the West White location and to demolish the existing public works garage on the site and sell or demolish city hall and the community center. Total cost estimated at \$4,505,300 & estimated operating savings is \$202,400. Additional cost to taxpayers would be \$84.77/\$100,000 per property value. These options will be discussed further at the next EEDA meeting.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion ensued on setting up the Old Clinic property as a public parking lot. A resolution will be brought to the next council meeting regarding the terms and conditions for using the parking lot along with setting fees and parameters for establishing permits for overnight parking.

### V. ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 8:07p.m.

Claire Huisman  
Deputy Clerk