GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 7, 2012
7:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Members present:

__Mayor Mike Allison
__Councilmember Marty Keenan
__Councilmember Mitch Haney
__Councilmember Nels Lindberg
__Councilmember Dale Westhoff
__Attorney Robert Suelter
__Councilmember Allene Owen
__Councilmember Ken Roberts
__Councilmember Dana Dawson
__Councilmember Randy Myers
__Administrator Howard Partington
__Clerk Wayne Henneke

A. OPENING PRAYER

B. CONSENT AGENDA

a) **Minutes**: Minutes of the Regular Session held on April 16, 2012 and the Special Meeting held on April 27, 2012.

b) **Claim's Warrant Register #5-7-12**: covering 2012 bills to date**.**

c) **Payroll Register P/R 4-20-2012** covering payroll ending April 14, 2012 in the amount of $352,111.54 and **P/R 5-04-2012** covering payroll ending April 28, 2012 in the amount of $254,070.51.

d) **Appointments**: Mayor Allison will make appointments as needed.

C. OLD BUSINESS

D. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Councilmember Reports**: Councilmembers will report on the boards and commissions that they serve on.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

2. **City Administrator's Update**: City Administrator Howard Partington will present an update on what is happening within the city organization. He may also present responses to "Fact or Fiction".

Recommendation: Informational item.

3. **Economic Development Report**: Jan Peters will provide her monthly economic development report.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

4. **Abatement Requests**: Abatement requests will be presented.

   Recommendation: Take action on abatements.

5. **Public Hearing on Request for Waiver of Parking Requirements for Golden Belt Cinema 6 Theater**: Attached is a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing for the request from the Golden Belt Cinema 6 Theater to waive the parking requirements for their new movie theater. A public hearing on the matter should be held at this time. Staff would ask that if the waiver is approved it would not mean that the City would be responsible for making additional parking available if parking problems arise in the future.

   Recommendation: Motion to close the public hearing. Take action that is in the best interest of the City.

6. **Poster Contest Winners for Arbor Day**: Members of the Tree Board will be present to recognize recent winners of the Arbor Day Poster Contest.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

7. **Announcements of Vacancies on Boards and Commissions**: Attached is a list of the vacancies that occur on May 1st for the various boards and commissions for those who serve the City. In most cases the persons that are currently serving are eligible for reappointment. Mayor Allison may begin making appointments at the next council meeting.

   Recommendation: Informational item.

8. **Removal of No Truck Signs**: It was requested that staff discuss the removal of No Truck signs from the 200 blocks of Holland, Hubbard and Baker. Appropriate staff members will report.

   Recommendation: Take action in the best interest of the City.

9. **Ordinance to Change the Responsible Party for Approval of Fence Waivers**: Attached is a proposed ordinance that would change the responsible party for the granting of fence waivers. Assistant City Administrator Dawn Jaeger will report.

   Recommendation: Take action in the best interest of the City.

10. **Set Schedule for Budget Calendar for 2013 Budget**: Attached is a listing of the meetings that would be appropriate for the preparation of the 2013 Budget. Some dates have been filled in, but council direction is needed for the Tour of Facilities and the Budget Worksession. Finding the preferred dates should be completed at this time.

    Recommendation: Motion to set the Budget Calendar for the 2013 Budget.

11. **Set Date for Teambuilding Worksession**: It was suggested at the last regular council meeting that a Teambuilding Worksession be scheduled to discuss the convention center. A date for such a meeting should be set at this time. The traditional times are from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

    Recommendation: Set date for Teambuilding Worksession.

F. ADJOURNMENT