



Councilmember Corderman asked how services would be affected if there is no contract. Ms. Paulson indicated there should not be an issue. There is no strike ability for employees.

Mayor Bruchey would like to have all four union contracts completed prior to finalizing the budget.

Councilmember Metzner inquired if the “me too” clause would remain in the contract with AFSCME 1540 if the letter is not sent. Mr. Nicewarner indicated that is correct.

Councilmember Metzner clarified that there is no discussion of money within the contract with IAFF.

Councilmember Keller asked how she is to respond to inquiries if questions about the negotiations can't be provided in this setting. She doesn't know how she is supposed to provide direction for the contracts if the details of current discussions cannot be discussed. This is why she is opposed to discussing negotiations in open session.

Councilmember L. C. Metzner made a motion to meet immediately in closed session to further conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations, #9 (Section 3-305(b)). Councilmember E. Keller seconded the motion.

Councilmember Metzner pointed out the public does not have the opportunity to witness or view the discussions the Mayor and City Council have about whether or not to meet in closed session. When an Executive Session is scheduled to be held in Room 407, the public never hears the discussion. He feels the public is cut-off from hearing the discussion.

Councilmember Aleshire stated the discussion about meeting in Executive Session used to be held in the Council Chambers. He indicated the public doesn't have the opportunity to view the discussion, either in person or on the City's cable channel.

Councilmember Metzner stated if discussions are held in the Council Chamber and televised, the people will know why or why not the Mayor and City Council are meeting in closed session. He also asked what authority this administration provided indicating union contract negotiations would never be discussed in public. He noted this administration has not voted on this. It should not be assumed that something that was in place three years ago as part of the ground rules will continue.

Councilmember Aleshire spoke to Hagerstown citizens and stated he is adamantly opposed to any further discussions in relation to union groups in closed session. He has not witnessed all of the ground rules being adhered to consistently. The last round of negotiations were reflective of that inconsistency. As soon as a contract was completed, another group filed a grievance. Then other groups filed grievances. Every time discussions were held in closed session and decisions were made, the decision was undone and in a public manner. This makes the elected body appear to be incompetent

and he does not think this is a responsible way to handle negotiations for the citizens. He will not sit in a closed session if contract negotiations are discussed.

Councilmember Keller clarified that those discussions cannot be held in open meetings. Mr. Nicewarner indicated he and Ms. Paulson signed the ground rules, indicating they will not discuss what is discussed with the negotiating teams in an open session.

Councilmember Corderman asked if the previous administration approved the ground rules that are being followed. Mr. Nicewarner indicated the ground rules were in place prior to the previous administration. Councilmember Corderman stated the rules can be changed.

Ms. Means stated it is the responsibility of the body of council to say whether there will be ground rules and what they will be. Staff has sought guidance on whether to proceed with negotiations in good faith during prior executive sessions. The Mayor and City Council, as a body, did not give a directive to hold negotiations in public session and change the ground rules. Staff must continue to proceed with the negotiations in good faith.

Councilmember Aleshire stated he does not have any interest in reviewing those items in the Mayor and Council's communication in closed session.

Councilmember Keller is not comfortable providing direction to staff without having details about the topic.

Motion carried 3-2, with Councilmember K. B. Aleshire and Councilmember P. D. Corderman voting No.

The following people were in attendance: Mayor R. E. Bruchey, II, Councilmember P. D. Corderman, Councilmember E. Keller, Councilmember L. C. Metzner, Councilmember D. F. Munson, City Administrator Valerie Means, City Attorney Jennifer Keefer, Karen Paulson, Director of Human Resources, Scott Nicewarner, Director of Technology and Support Services, and D. K. Spickler, City Clerk. Councilmember K. B. Aleshire did not attend the Executive Session.

The meeting was held to discuss union negotiations. No formal action was taken at the meeting. On a motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the Executive Session was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

**7<sup>th</sup> REGULAR SESSION – February 28, 2017**

**Mayor R. E. Bruchey, II called this 7<sup>th</sup> Session of the Mayor and City Council to order at 7:09 p.m. Tuesday, February 28, 2017, in the Council Chamber at City Hall. Present with the Mayor were Councilmembers K. B. Aleshire, P. D.**

**Corderman, E. Keller, L. C. Metzner, and D. F. Munson, City Administrator  
Valerie Means, City Attorney Jennifer Keefer, and City Clerk D. K. Spickler.**

The invocation was offered by Councilmember P. D. Corderman. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited.

Mayor Bruchey announced the Rules of Procedure for this meeting will be followed as adopted December 20, 2016. It was announced that the use of cell phones during meetings is restricted and that all correspondence for distribution to elected officials should be provided to the City Clerk and should include a copy for the City Clerk for inclusion in the official record.

The next scheduled meetings are: Work Sessions beginning at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, Tuesday, March 14, 2017, and Tuesday, March 21, 2017, and the Regular Session on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The State of the City will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. at the Academy Theater.

### **GUESTS**

#### **Proclamation: Black History Month**

Mayor Bruchey read a proclamation naming February as Black History Month. Reggie Turner, President, and Herman Davis, Vice President, of the Doleman Black History Museum accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Bruchey welcomed the following members from Boy Scout Troop 66 to the meeting: Jacob Milek, Ian Watts, Aidan Soto, Andrew Neisser, Carson Casey, Grayden Scibilia, Aiden Gearhart, and Scout Master Pat Casey. Troop 66 meets at First Christian Church.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

James Devine. P. O. 2217, Hagerstown, Maryland, is shocked by the state of the nation. He is concerned about the direction the federal government is taking.

Marvin Lohr, 1135 Sunnyside Drive, Hagerstown, Maryland, spoke to the Mayor and City Council about trash again. He distributed pictures of trash sitting in several locations. He also included a copy of a story about Frederick from the Washington Post (1982). He suggested he could have better tenants if the City was cleaner. He has witnessed several drug deals. Other towns publish ads encouraging citizens to clean up around their property.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

*Valerie Means, City Administrator, had no additional comments.*

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS**

*Councilmember D. F. Munson* stated the dredging project at City Park is an interesting process. The buildings at 27 and 29 W. Antietam Street are being demolished. Removal of these buildings, and the one at 31 W. Antietam Street, will improve the appearance of W. Antietam Street.

*Councilmember L. C. Metzner* thanked Mr. Lohr for his comments. Many people ask why Hagerstown can't be more like Frederick. One reason is the difference in household income. Frederick's government didn't believe that social services should be located within a block of the downtown core. The City received a notice from the State of Maryland assessment office that assessments have decreased. In order to gain the same revenue as last year, the City would have to raise the tax rate by nearly 3 cents. This information will present a budget challenge. Constituents conveyed the message during the campaign that more emphasis has to be put on Police and Fire services.

Mr. Lohr stated the City should be able to attract people making higher wages from the Frederick area.

*Councilmember E. Keller* appreciates Mr. Lohr's concerns. Citizens have encouraged her to organize a community clean up day. The Council should consider partnering with the Neighborhoods 1<sup>st</sup> Groups for a clean up day. She is optimistic about Hagerstown's future. She encouraged everyone to shop at local businesses.

*Councilmember P. D. Corderman* welcomed the Troop 66 members. He thanked Mr. Lohr for showing him the areas he is concerned about. One problem is trash set out time requirements occur after City employee's work day. He believes City residents should be able to set their trash out in a responsible manner. Trash concerns and issues will be discussed at a Work Session in March or April.

*Councilmember K. B. Aleshire* stated he created a report about trash concerns several years ago. In the report, he identified 13 objectives. Addressing these objectives would make big improvements. The police department is doing an amazing job identifying criminal activity. He doesn't feel the elected body is having the conversations they need to about the arrests. Many of the people arrested are from out of the area. He believes many are in Hagerstown to take advantage of the many social services offered here. He thinks the Mayor and City Council should work with the community partners, e. g. housing, social services, court system, to address their concerns and root issues. There has been discussion about a detox center in Washington County. One possible location is at the Western Maryland Hospital. If a facility is located within the City limits, it is imperative that the Mayor and City Council and City staff be involved in the process.

Councilmember Keller stated discussions about the location of a detox center have to be transparent. If it is located in the City limits, the City should have input.

*Mayor R. E. Bruchey, II* thanked Mr. Lohr for his comments. He noted the article about Frederick that Mr. Lohr mentioned was written right after Frederick received \$ 20 million from the State for revitalization. Mayor Bruchey visited with fourth grade students at Emma K. Doub Elementary School today. He encouraged the students to pick up one piece of trash that isn't theirs each day. If everyone did this, it would help keep Hagerstown clean. He encouraged people to contact the police department if they see something suspicious. The Watch Commander can be reached at 240-988-1415.

## **MINUTES**

On a motion duly made by Councilmember D. F. Munson and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve the minutes, as presented, for the Mayor and Council meetings held on January 10, 2017, January 17, 2017, January 24, 2017, and January 31, 2017.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

### A. Community and Economic Development:

1. Open Container Exemption – Wind Down Friday
2. Updated 2017 Street Closure Requests
3. Trick or Treat Date – October 31, 2017

### B. Parks and Engineering:

1. Parks – Ford F-250 Pickup Truck – Keystone Ford (Chambersburg, PA)  
\$ 32,971.00

### C. Police:

1. Purchase of Getac Tablet Computers – HCGI Hartford (Columbia, MD)  
\$ 23,025.00

### D. Public Works:

1. Purchase of Bucket Truck to Replace Unit 601 – Altec Industries, Inc.  
(Elizabethtown, KY) \$ 70,749.00

### E. Utilities:

1. Electric – Distribution Transformers – National Transformer Sales  
(Raleigh, NC) \$ 55,783.00
2. Water – Ford F150 to Replace Unit 202 – Keystone Ford  
(Chambersburg, PA) \$ 25,859.00
3. Water – Ford F350 to Replace Unit 204 – McCafferty Ford  
(Mechanicsburg, PA) \$ 39,444.00
4. Water – Water Meters – HD Supply Waterworks (Martinsburg, WV)  
\$ 25,000.00

5. Water – Replacement of Turbidimeters – Hach Company (Loveland, CO) \$ 53,723.27
6. Water – Cyber Security Evaluation at R. C. Willson Plant for New Chemical Building – ABB, Inc. (Wickliffe, OH) \$ 24,209.37
7. Water – Cyber Security Evaluation at R. C. Willson Plant – ABB, Inc. (Wickliffe, OH) \$ 12,500.00
8. Wastewater – Replacement of SCADA Equipment – Motorola Enhanced SCADA Solutions (Rolling Meadows, IL) \$ 18,703.60
9. Wastewater – Manhole Conversion Risers and Lids – East Jordan Iron Works (Finksburg, MD) \$ 64,843.06

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**There are no Unfinished Business items.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Introduction of an Ordinance: City of Hagerstown 2017 General Obligation Bonds**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember K. B. Aleshire and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to introduce an enabling ordinance authorizing the City of Hagerstown to issue and sell from time to time, upon its full faith and credit, general obligation bonds in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$ 7,320,000. Proceeds of the bonds will be used to pay costs of the projects identified in Section 3(b) of the ordinance. Proceeds (par amount) are allocated by fund as follows:

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund             | \$ 4,793,526      |
| Water Fund               | \$ 1,106,474      |
| Wastewater Fund          | \$ 1,300,000      |
| Property Management Fund | <u>\$ 120,000</u> |
| Total                    | \$ 7,320,000      |

That portion of principal, interest and any allocated issuance costs associated with the Water Fund, the Wastewater Fund and the Property Management Fund will be payable in the first instance from revenues accounted for in those respective funds, but the bonds will be backed by a pledge of the City's full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power.

Staff is hereby directed to work with the City's Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel to determine the best financing options for the city, and to develop the necessary detailed resolution and other documents required to prepare for the sale of the bonds as contemplated by the ordinance. As

specified in the ordinance, details and authorization regarding the amount, timing, method of sale or sales, and other sale details will be outlined in a detailed resolution to be presented to this body for approval at a future date prior to the issuance of the bonds.

The ordinance also authorizes the issuance and sale from time to time, upon the City's full faith and credit, of (i) general obligation bond anticipation notes in one or more series in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$ 7,320,000 to fund project costs on an interim basis, and (ii) general obligation refunding bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed 130% of the aggregate principal amount of the bonds being refunded, in order to reduce debt service costs or achieve debt service restructuring. Details of any such general obligation bond anticipation notes or general obligation refunding bonds are authorized to be determined or provided for by resolution.

Discussion: Councilmember Corderman understands that a majority of the items in this bond issue were approved by the previous administration and are in process. Without the bond issue, the items would have to be funded from other sources. He stated the City needs to reduce expenditures in the future.

**B. Approval of a Resolution: Addendum to Purchase Agreement for Sale of 43-53 West Washington Street**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember D. F. Munson and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a resolution authorizing an addendum to the purchase agreement for sale of property located at 43-53 West Washington Street. The City-owned property is currently under contract to be sold to Hager 5, LLC. The addendum will extend the buyer's development plan submission deadline from January 31, 2017 to April 30, 2017 and will extend the settlement deadline from April 30, 2017 to July 31, 2017.

**C. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Approval of a Ground Lease between the City of Hagerstown and United States Postal Service (Postal Service) for a Portion of the Market House Parking Lot, Hagerstown, Maryland for Postal Service Employee Parking**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a resolution authorizing the approval of a Ground Lease with the United States Postal Service (Postal Service) for a portion of the Market House Parking Lot for Postal Service employee parking.

Discussion: Councilmember Corderman asked if there is additional information about the questions raised during the Work Session on February 21, 2017 regarding other parking. He thinks a five year lease, with no opportunity for the City to terminate it, is counterproductive to the City's efforts at the market.

Councilmember P. D. Corderman made a motion to table discussion of the lease until additional information is provided. Councilmember K. B. Aleshire seconded the motion.

Motion failed 2-3 with Councilmember E. Keller, Councilmember L. C. Metzner, and Councilmember D. F. Munson voting No.

Councilmember Aleshire stated he hopes an amended agreement can be worked out for post office employees to park elsewhere on Saturdays. The parking lot is rather congested on Saturdays.

Councilmember Metzner suggested having staff talk to the post office employees.

On a motion duly made by Councilmember E. Keller and seconded by Councilmember P. D. Corderman, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to table the discussion for one week, until further information for alternate parking can be provided.

**D. Approval of a Resolution: Lease Agreement for a Portion of the City of Hagerstown Property Known as BuroBox at 60 W. Washington Street**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember E. Keller and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a resolution authorizing the execution of a Lease Agreement for a portion of the City of Hagerstown property known as BuroBox located at 60 West Washington Street in Hagerstown, Maryland. The Lease will be between the City of Hagerstown and Synergy Coaching, LLC and shall be in effect from March 1, 2017 to February 28, 2018.

**E. Approval of Resolutions: User Agreements with Various Entities: 1) West End Little League, 2) Hagerstown Colt and Palomino League, 3) Washington County Seniors Softball League, Inc., 4) Hagerstown BMX, 5) National Little League, 6) American Little League, 7) Hagerstown Pony League**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve multiple resolutions authorizing the execution of User Agreements between the City of Hagerstown and the West End Little League; Hagerstown Colt and

Palomino League, Washington County Seniors Softball league, Inc.; Hagerstown BMX; National Little League; American Little League; and Hagerstown Pony League.

Discussion: Councilmember Aleshire stated he thinks it would be good to review the agreements in order to move toward consistency, as much as possible, with all the groups.

**F. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Lincoln Hockey, LLC for Refurbishment of the Fairgrounds Park Inline Skating Rink (Washington Capitals)**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember D. F. Munson and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Hagerstown and Lincoln Hockey, LLC (dba the Washington Capitals). This MOU allows for the complete refurbishment of the inline skating rink at Fairgrounds Park funded in full by the Washington Capitals. The City agrees to: accept this donation, assist in the coordination of the installation of these improvements, and assist in the development of a street hockey program.

**G. Approval of License Agreement: SRALEX, LLC for use of Union Place Right-of-Way**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember K. B. Aleshire and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a License Agreement with SRALEX, LLC to utilize a portion of the unimproved Union Place right-of-way. The purpose of the license is to allow SRALEX, LLC to have an existing out-building and retaining wall within the right-of-way.

**H. Approval of Hagerstown Suns Fireworks Schedule for 2017**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve nine regular season fireworks shows after Hagerstown Suns baseball games during the 2017 season and that the Mayor and Council's approval will exempt these shows from the City of Hagerstown's Noise Ordinance under Section 155-5 of the Code of the City of Hagerstown.

Discussion: Councilmember Metzner hopes the Suns will be in the playoffs at the end of the season.

**I. Approval of a Contract: Maryland Safe Routes to School – Grant Year “G” – Traffic Signal Replacements**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember K. B. Aleshire and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a contact with Milton Stamper Builders of Hagerstown, Maryland in the amount of \$ 669,442.81 for the reconstruction of two traffic signals and sidewalks along school walk routes to Salem Elementary School and Bester Elementary School. Funding is provided in full by a “Safe Routes to School” grant from the State of Maryland.

Discussion: Councilmember Metzner questioned why there is only one bid. Rodney Tissue, City Engineer, stated bid packages were sent to many contractors. This is a federal bid, which requires additional reporting on the contractor’s part.

**J. Approval of Change Order for Sidewalk Accessibility Ramps**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a change order to the Sidewalk Accessibility Ramps Contract RFP-16-SA-06 in the amount of \$ 80,000.00. This additional work order is funded by unanticipated CDBG Program Income received from a CDBG loan payoff. The funds will be focused on streets planned to be milled and overlaid in 2017.

Discussion: Councilmember Corderman stated he would like the repayment of the \$ 80,000 is invested back into the downtown payment assistance program, as discussed.

**K. Authorization of Repayment to Hagerstown Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program – Removing CDBG Restrictions at 25 East Franklin Street**

**Action:** Councilmember L. C. Metzner made a motion to authorize a repayment to the Hagerstown CDBG Program in the amount of \$ 46,250. This repayment is required by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to remove CDBG restrictions on the office space located at 25 East Franklin Street. Once the CDBG restrictions are removed, the City of Hagerstown Parking Office intends to relocate to this space. The source of funds for the repayment will be the Property Management Fund. Councilmember D. F. Munson seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilmember Corderman does not support this expenditure. This is a City-owned building in which the City has invested

approximately \$ 1 million. He doesn't think the City should continue to be a landlord to itself.

Councilmember Aleshire agrees. He has wondered why the building is so underutilized. He would like to relinquish ownership of this building back to the private sector and back on the tax roll. Locating the parking office to this space is a creative solution to filling a vacant space in hopes to making the building more marketable.

Councilmember Munson stated this move will be safer for employees.

Councilmember Corderman stated his issue with the move is that the City should not own commercial buildings.

Councilmember Keller noted that insurance for vacant buildings is quite expensive and affects the future sale of the building.

Motion carried 4-1 with Councilmember P. D. Corderman voting No.

**L. Approval of Inductees to the Hagerstown Circle of Achievement at Memorial Park and Approval of a Date for the Induction Ceremony**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember L. C. Metzner and seconded by Councilmember D. F. Munson, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to induct the following persons into the "Class of 2017" of the Hagerstown Circle of Achievement at Memorial Park:

Ammon H. Kreider and Lewis E. Reisner (one entry);  
Dr. Peter Buys

The motion also establishes that the induction ceremony will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2017.

**M. Approval of an Exemption to the Water and Wastewater Policy Supply Water Service to Lot 3 and Lot 4 at Cross Creek Development**

**Action:** Councilmember K. B. Aleshire made a motion to approve an exemption to the Water and Wastewater Policy under "Exemption 2. System Improvement" in order to supply water service to Lot 3 and Lot 4 at Cross Creek Development as shown on PSP-16-002. Councilmember L. C. Metzner seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-1 with Councilmember P. D. Corderman voting No.

**N. Approval of an Agreement – Disparate Funding Agreement with Washington County Sheriff’s Department**

**Action:** On a motion duly made by Councilmember K. B. Aleshire and seconded by Councilmember L. C. Metzner, the Mayor and City Council unanimously agreed by voice vote to approve a disparate agreement which is required for a JAG grant that HPD approved and received.

The Washington County Sheriff’s Office and the Hagerstown Police Department received funding for crime reduction initiatives/efforts under the local Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant. Due to the fact that Washington County has been certified as a “disparate jurisdiction” by the Department of Justice this year, Hagerstown Police Department is required to facilitate their portion of the funding through the BJAG grant. The County and the City shall accept the amounts of \$ 12,167.00 for Washington County and \$ 20,308.00 for the City as allocated under the Local JAG award for FY2016.

**O. Acceptance of a Donation of Public Art from Chevy Chase Land Company and Approval of Funding Plan**

**Action:** Councilmember D. F. Munson made a motion to accept the donation of public art entitled “Pod” and \$ 6,000 from Chevy Chase Land Company. The Richard Deutsch sculpture will be placed adjacent to the lower lake at the City Park end of the Hagerstown Cultural Trail. This motion further authorizes staff to pay the artist honorarium and to contract for the full amount of the shipping and installation of the sculpture per the estimated relocation costs presented at the February 21, 2017 work session. This motion also directs staff to then fundraise for donations to minimize the cost of the installation of the sculpture. Councilmember L. C. Metzner seconded the motion.

Discussion: If accepted, the City will own the sculpture. Councilmember Corderman wondered if the sculpture can be moved from the site originally selected. Mr. Tissue indicated it could be moved, with the artist’s permission.

Councilmember Aleshire asked what happens if the artist does not agree to a new location. Mr. Tissue stated it could be put in storage.

Councilmember Metzner asked if there is a contract with the artist. Mr. Tissue indicated there is not.

Mr. Tissue indicated the artist retains rights to the piece, as it is considered his intellectual property.

Mayor Bruchey stated he realizes the sculpture will enhance the Cultural Trail, but he doesn't know of many people who will walk from Antietam Street to the museum just to view this piece.

Councilmember Aleshire does not think the sculpture should be at City Park.

Councilmember Munson has heard some community members have offered assistance with the costs. Mr. Tissue stated people have offered assistance for moving the piece and for creating the plaza.

Councilmember Keller asked if the artist could be contacted again.

Councilmember Metzner would like to view this piece in person. This is a \$ 300,000 piece of art that is being given to the City. The gift should be celebrated. He thinks turning down the offer would set a poor precedence. The Museum Board and the Arts Council should be asked to provide input.

Mr. Tissue stated both the Director of the Museum and the Arts Council are on the Cultural Trail Art Board and they have provided input.

Councilmember Corderman would like additional information about the costs to move the sculpture. It appears the chosen location will be the permanent location.

Councilmember K. B. Aleshire made a motion to table discussion of accepting the sculpture until further information is provided. Councilmember P. D. Corderman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-1 with Councilmember D. F. Munson voting No.

Further discussion and possible acceptance of the artwork will be scheduled for a March Work Session.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and City Council, on a motion duly made, seconded and passed, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Original signed by D. K. Spickler*

Donna K. Spickler  
City Clerk

Approved: March 28, 2017