

MINUTE RECORD

No. 729—REDFIELD & COMPANY, INC., OMAHA

LA VISTA CITY COUNCIL MEETING June 26, 2006

A meeting of the City Council of the City of La Vista, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 5:00 p.m. on June 26, 2006. Present were Mayor Kindig and Councilmembers: Sell, Ronan, Quick, Sheehan, Carlisle, McLaughlin, Ellerbeck, and Gowan. Absent: None. Also in attendance were City Attorney McKeon, City Administrator Gunn, Finance Director Lindberg, Library Director Schinker, Community Development Director Birch, Recreation Director Stopak, Fire Chief Schuster, Police Chief Lausten, Public Works Director Soucie, Building and Grounds Director Archibald, and City Clerk Ramirez.

A notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Times on June 15, 2006. Notice was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of the acknowledgment of the receipt of notice attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the Mayor and City Council in the advance notice of the meeting. All proceedings shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Further, all subjects included in said proceedings were contained in the agenda for said meeting which is kept continuously current and available for public inspection within 10 days after said meeting and prior to the next convened meeting of said body.

A. Tour of Various Areas/Projects Throughout the City

Depart City Hall

The Mayor, Councilmembers, and Department Heads departed City Hall at 5:00 p.m. for a tour of the City. Throughout the tour, City Administrator Gunn updated Council on various projects such as new parks, street construction, new business construction, and other changes occurring within the City.

Giles Corner Park (walk around)

The first stop on the tour was the Giles Corner Park. This park is located in a new subdivision and includes a rubber playground surface. Public Works Director Soucie discussed the new surface, its durability and the fact that it is much safer for children. Giles Corner has not been annexed by the City and the developer put the park in place in compliance with the subdivision agreement.

Val Verde Park (walk around)

A walking tour of the Val Verde Park was also conducted. This is a larger neighborhood park that includes a gazebo, a picnic shelter, a restroom building and walking trails that connect with a parking lot. The park is currently under construction and should be completed by the end of the summer.

Cimarron Woods

The Council also visited the site of the future park in the Cimarron Woods subdivision. Construction has not started on this area; however it will eventually include a splash park, an expansive trail system, building and playground equipment amenities, and green space large enough for soccer practice, etc. Council also had an opportunity to view the improvements made to the passageway under the railroad tracks that connects this area to the neighboring subdivision and provides access to Portal Elementary School. There is currently a great deal of new home construction taking place in this subdivision and Council had an opportunity to see the progress being made.

New Fire Station

Police Chief Lausten conducted a tour of the new Fire Station No. 2 at 108th & Chandler Road. Brick is currently being installed on the exterior of the building and the interior rooms are being framed. Lausten pointed out the equipment bays, the galley, and the administrative side of the building. The station should be operational by February or March of 2007.

Southport East & West

The tour went through the Southport East and Southport West areas. City Administrator Gunn updated the group on current projects such as the Southport Professional Building and PayPal's second facility in Southport East. She also pointed out the location of the future Hampton Inn and Pinnacle Bank. On the Southport West side, the Cabela's project is progressing well with an October, 2006 opening projected. The City's parking facility is currently under construction and the area where the hotels will be located was pointed out.

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132nd & Giles Road

The intersection of 132nd and Giles Road was visited. Gunn discussed future improvements to this area and pointed out the land that was recently rezoned to allow for multi-family housing.

Swimming Pool

At the swimming pool, the group was given the opportunity to see the new slide that was added this season to replace the diving board and large umbrellas that were installed to provide shade.

Golf Course

The final stop on the agenda was the La Vista Falls Golf Course. A walking tour of the course was conducted by Public Works Director Soucie. The course superintendent, George Barth, was also present to assist with the tour. Soucie pointed out the Thompson Creek project that was completed on the golf course and the new bridge that was installed. Councilmembers were shown the nets that are used along holes one and three to protect neighboring homes. The dry dam was pointed out as well as the new crossing area between holes five and seven when a footbridge was replaced.

Return to City Hall

At 8:45 p.m. the bus returned the group to City Hall where the meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1ST DAY OF AUGUST 2006.

CITY OF LA VISTA


Douglas Kindig, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rita M. Ramirez, CMC
City Clerk

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