

**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
School Board Meeting Room  
1604 Sweetwater Avenue  
January 21, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.  
AGENDA**

- **Call to Order**
- **Open Meetings Act Announcement**  
For the public's reference a copy of the Open Meetings Law has been posted on the north wall of this room in the audience area. This posting complies with the requirements of the Nebraska Legislature.
- **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**A. Consent Calendar**

**B. Proclamations**

Catholic Schools Week – January 31<sup>st</sup> through February 6, 2010

Gambling Awareness Month - March

**C. Request from Foster Grandparent Program**

Mr. Wayne Anderson, a representative of Northwest Community Action Partnership of Chadron has requested to appear before Council to request funding for the Foster Grandparent Program. The funding is to provide for the \$10,000 match requirement for their federal grant. The Foster Grandparent Program is a federally funded nationwide program that places qualified seniors (grandparents) in elementary schools, Head Start programs and other places to work with special needs children giving them one-on-one help/attention that they otherwise would not have. He is requesting support of \$3,000 for the six grandparents that are placed in Alliance (\$500 each).

**D. Ordinance No. 2650 – Third Reading  
Comprehensive Development Plan Adoption**

Ordinance No. 2650 is before Council on third reading. The Council had the first reading at their September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, and the second reading at their October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting. Following the first two ordinance readings several enhancements were made to the final draft of the Comprehensive Plan. Those updates have been made and the final version was delivered to Council two weeks ago for your review. The Alliance Planning Commission reviewed the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Plan at their January 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with no additional action taken.

**E. Resolution No. 10-04 – Alliance Housing Authority PILOT Payment Waiver Request**

The Alliance Housing Authority is requesting the waiver of Payments In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) which amounts to \$1,043.48 for the City's portion. A copy of the request has been included for Council's review. Last year's amount was \$1,372.18 and the Council approved waiving the payment. Resolution No. 10-04 is now before Council and will approve the waiver request.

**F. Resolution No. 10-05 – Change Order Approval for the Construction of Well No. 7 at the West Well Field**

Resolution No. 10-05 will approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$457,979.30 to the KL Wood & Co. contract for the Municipal Water System Improvements Municipal Wells & Treatment Systems. The Change Order allows for the construction of a new well at the West Well Field to make up for the capacity shortages caused, in part, by the loss of production wells that are being replaced by smaller capacity wells and the more recent loss of the 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Emerson Avenue well. The Change Order amount will be included with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding.

**G. Resolution No. 10-06 – Chadron State College Lease Agreement**

This resolution will approve the amended Lease Agreement with Chadron State College for office space at the Alliance Library/Learning Center. The term of the lease is for five years in the amount of \$6.00 per sq. ft. with a total of 143 sq. ft. for an annual fee of \$858.00.

**H. Resolution No. 10-07 – Tire Amnesty Grant**

Resolution No. 10-07 will authorize staff to host Tire Amnesty Days at the Alliance Landfill on September 27<sup>th</sup> through October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 if Keep Alliance Beautiful is successful in receiving a tire recycling grant. The amnesty days will be open to all City and County residents for the free disposal of tires. Commercial businesses will not be included in the amnesty. As part of this program the City will be storing the tires until a recycler arrives and the County will be supplying a loader and one employee to help with stacking of the tires.

**I. Resolution No. 10-08 – All Seasons Landscape Maintenance & Design Contract Renewal**

This resolution will authorize the renewal of the contract for the care and maintenance of public planting beds to All Seasons Landscape Maintenance & Design. The contract is for the period March 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010 and includes the Library, Swimming Pool, Box Butte Avenue islands between 10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets, Military Museum and patio area south of the Conservatory, Fountain beds, 10<sup>th</sup> Street beds along Snake Creek Trail, Sunken Gardens, Museum, City Hall, Utility Facility, and Airport. The contract renewal amount is the same as last year; \$21,980 and includes some additional services.

**J. Resolution No. 10-09 – Personnel Policies**

Resolution No. 10-09 is the second of a series in updating the City of Alliance Employee Personnel Manual. Staff is in the process of reviewing and updating the entire manual. Each section of the manual as it is being reviewed will be presented to Council using the current language with the proposed updates being reflected using highlights and strikeouts. The second series includes seven sections which are identified within the resolution.

**K. Resolution No. 10-10 – Energy Efficiency Grant**

Staff is requesting permission to apply for an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant that has been funded through the use of stimulus funds by the State of Nebraska. The proposed resolutions will authorize approval for the application, provide for appropriate matching funds, and seeks direction from Council on which approach is in the best interest of the City. Resolution No. 10-10 A funds the boiler at City Hall, plus additional projects and requires additional funding by the City. Resolution No. 10-10 B funds many eligible projects throughout the City but does not fund the boiler at City Hall.

**L. Board Resignation**

The City of Alliance has received notification that Greg Olson is resigning from the Alliance Planning Commission effective immediately. Mr. Olson expressed scheduling conflicts as the reason for his resignation. A have included a complete Board listing in the packet for Council's review.

▪ **Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,

Linda S. Jines  
City Clerk