

MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY OF AURORA COUNCIL MEETING
CITY/TOWN GOVERNMENT CENTER
TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014
10:00 a.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Hess; Councilors Cromley, Smolich, Lislegard, Worshek

ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT: Britt See-Benes, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer; Wayne Thuringer, Public Works Director; Matt Reid, SEH Inc.; Gregg Allen, ISD 2711; Dick Okstad, ISD 2711; Bob Olson, ISD 2711

Mayor Hess called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Councilor Lislegard stated that the ISD 2711 and the City have had discussions regarding a joint project between the City of Aurora and ISD 211. The moving of the Athletic Facilities would complete the master plan, which includes relocation of the baseball field and football field. It was not prudent to complete the athletic facilities in 2006 when the consolidation happened, but the District is ready to complete it now.

Mr. Allen stated that the opportunity is right now. The City would like land for housing, the school district would like physical education space.

Design of the complex was discussed. The School District has had a preliminary design concept drawn by Larson Engineering and SGN/Wendel which included tennis courts, a football/soccer/track field, and two baseball fields. A modified design was discussed.

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Worshek to approve the preliminary design concept of a football/soccer/track field, two baseball fields, parking areas, infrastructure and vacation of Railroad Avenue with creation of new road to access existing residential on City owned parcels in Section 4, Township 58, Range 15 (Parcel Codes 100-0080-00357 and 100-0080-00340). MOTION CARRIED

It was discussed that if the facilities would be constructed, ISD 2711 would enter into a long term lease or a letter of understanding regarding City maintaining ownership of the facility, and the school leasing the property.

Administrator See-Benes explained that in order to seek funding, cost estimates and an updated design must be sought. The next IRRRB meeting will be held on April 22, 2014. Discussion ensued on getting this item on the agenda for the 04/22 IRRRB meeting. The City of Aurora had already been working with Matt Reid of SEH Inc. regarding development of the area lying to the west of the proposed athletic field.

Moved by Lislegard and supported by Smolich to authorize entering into an agreement with SEH Inc. for Professional Engineering Services for design and cost

**estimates for the proposed ISD 2711 athletic facilities, in an amount not to exceed \$5000 in order to prepare items necessary for the April 22, 2014 IRRRB meeting.
MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Worsek and supported by Smolich to adjourn the meeting
MOTION CARRIED**

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Mary Hess, Mayor

ATTEST:

Britt See-Benes, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer