

**CITY OF LEWISTON**

**CITY COUNCIL**

**JULY 28, 2009**

**REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL ROOM AT 6:00 P.M.**

THE HONORABLE LAURENT F. GILBERT, SR., MAYOR, PRESIDING.

PRESENT: Mayor Gilbert, Councilors T. Peters, N. Peters, Poulin, Theriault, Bailey, Dube, Reed, Acting City Administrator Phil Nadeau and City Clerk Kathleen Montejo.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.  
Moment of Silence.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS**

**VOTE (1)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Theriault:

To enter into Executive Session, pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (c), to discuss Real Estate Negotiations, of which the premature disclosure of the information would prejudice the competitive bargaining position of the City. Passed - Vote 7-0

Session began at 6:03pm and ended at 6:50pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO MRSA TITLE 1, SECTION 405(6) (A) TO DISCUSS A PERSONNEL MATTER REGARDING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

**VOTE (2)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Poulin:

To enter into an Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter regarding the contract negotiations for the Acting City Administrator. Passed - Vote 7-0

Session began at 6:51pm and ended at 7:48pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LEGAL MATTERS WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY**

**VOTE (3)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Theriault:

To enter into an Executive Session pursuant to MRSA Title 1, section 405 (6) (E) to consult with the City Attorney on two legal matters. Passed - Vote 7-0

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Session began at 7:49pm and ended at 8:40pm.

**APPOINTMENT OF ACTING DEPUTY CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND  
ALTERNATE ACTING DEPUTY CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

**VOTE (4)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Theriault:

To appoint Richard T. Metivier to serve as the Acting Deputy City Administrator until further notice and to appoint Denis R. Jean to serve as the alternate Acting Deputy City Administrator until further notice. Passed - Vote 5-2 (Councilors T. Peters and N. Peters opposed)

**AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM MAINE'S  
RIVERFRONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BOND PROGRAM FOR  
MUSEUM L-A**

**VOTE (5)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Dube:

To accept the grant award from the Maine Riverfront Community Development Bond grant program, funds to be used by Museum L-A and to authorize the Acting City Administrator and the Finance Director to administer said funds accordingly. Passed - Vote 7-0

**CONDEMNATION HEARING AND ORDER OF CONDEMNATION FOR A PORTION  
OF MORNINGSIDE STREET**

Mayor Gilbert opened the public hearing to receive citizen input and comment on this issue. No members of the public spoke for or against this item. Mayor Gilbert then closed the hearing.

**VOTE (6)**

Motion by Councilor Reed, seconded by Councilor Theriault:

To conduct a public hearing to receive citizen input regarding the proposed condemnation of a portion of Morningside Street, to adopt the Order of Condemnation and to authorize the Acting City Administrator to proceed with the necessary actions to implement the Order.

Passed - Vote 7-0

**DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE COUNCIL WORKSHOP TOPICS AND  
RELATED SCHEDULE**

In the interest of time, it was decided to reschedule the Policy One presentation to another night. It was also determined to reschedule the Restructuring workshop and the Strategic Plan workshop until after the new City Administrator has been hired. The Council reviewed the list of workshop topics that were presented and requested the list be re-prioritized based upon time-sensitive items

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and to present this at the next Council meeting.

**NEGOTIATIONS WITH ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

**VOTE (7)**

Motion by Councilor Dube, seconded by Councilor Bailey:

To recognize Phil Nadeau for his extraordinary service to the City of Lewiston as the Deputy City Administrator and his willingness to step forward to serve as Acting City Administrator, and to authorize Councilor Reed and Councilor Theriault, with assistance from Human Resources Director Denis Jean, to negotiate appropriate compensation and employment terms with Mr. Nadeau for his service as Acting City Administrator, subject to final approval by the City Council. Passed - Vote 7-0

**OTHER BUSINESS**

The Council then moved into Workshop Session for a workshop regarding the draft city streetlight policy and budgeted streetlight reductions.

**VOTE (8)**

Motion by Councilor Theriault, second by Councilor Dube:

To adjourn at 9:50 P.M. Passed - Vote 7-0

A true record, Attest:

Kathleen M. Montejo, MMC  
City Clerk  
Lewiston, Maine