

Tuesday - July 27, 1993 - 2:00 p.m.

City Council Work Session

Present: Mayor Kenneth M. Michalove, Presiding; Vice-Mayor

Eugene W. Ellison; Councilwoman Barbara Field, Councilmen Chris J. Peterson, Joseph Carr Swicegood and Charles R. Worley; Assistant City Attorney Patsy Brison; and City Manager Douglas O. Bean.

Absent: Councilman William G. Moore

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PRESENTATION

The Tourism Development Authority presented City Council with a report of their recent activities and plans for the future marketing of our area.

SANITATION BID SPECIFICATIONS

After hearing a report relative to proposals that were recently received for privatizing sanitation services and recommendations from City staff, it was the consensus of Council not to contract for sanitation services. The Council unanimously adopted staff recommendations as follows: (1) with the purchase of new vehicles, reduce crew sizes from 3 to 2 persons; (2) supplement the current leaf collection process with a bag system; (3) locate additional recycling drop off facilities during 1993/94; (4) develop recommendations on a city-wide variable rate solid waste collection and recycling program by January 1, 1994, that could be implemented by July 1, 1994; and (5) include opportunities for private companies to bid on components of city-wide solid waste collection and recycling program.

MEETING WITH WLOS-TV

Mr. Jim Conschafter, General Manager of WLOS-TV, explained some of the impacts that the new Cable TV Act will have on his station and other local broadcast stations.

Mayor Michalove stated that TCI Cable would be allowed to make a presentation concerning their side of the issue on Tuesday, August 3, 1993, at 3:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION WITH THE ASHEVILLE TRANSIT AUTHORITY

After confirming with City Manager Bean that the City could find an additional \$16,000 to continue the bus route which includes Biltmore Square Mall (Route 3) on a limited basis, Vice-Mayor Ellison moved to continue Route 3 on a limited basis (8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.), with funding for that route totaling \$16,000. This motion was seconded by Councilman Peterson and carried unanimously.

Councilman Worley moved that a resolution be placed on Council's agenda which would request that the Asheville Transit Authority be allowed to enter the Biltmore Square Mall property for the convenience of bus passengers. This motion was seconded by Vice-Mayor Ellison and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 92-174 - RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY OPERATIONS ADVISORY COMMISSION

Councilman Worley recommended the following amendments to Resolution No. 92-174: (1) changing the composition of the Commission from 5 to 7 members; (2)

changing the selection of officers in order that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Commission both be appointed by the City Council; (3) changing the term of embodiment from January 1, 1995, until January 1, 1996; (4) changing the requirement that recommendations be made not only to the City Manager but also to the City Council for the implementation of changes in methods, etc., in order to perform the operations of a department in a more efficient manner; and (5) changing the wording in the Charge of Members to read as follows "The Commission should avoid all matters pertaining to employment of individual City employees, ..."

Vice-Mayor Ellison moved to amend Resolution No. 92-174 as outlined by Councilman Worley. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Field and carried unanimously.

BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Council discussed appointments to various boards and commissions which had or will have vacancies occurring in the near future. Any appointments made will be placed on Council's agenda on August 3, 1993.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Vice-Mayor Ellison moved to go into an executive session to discuss a matter related to a proposed real estate purchase. This motion was seconded by Councilman Worley and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon return to open session, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:35 p.m.

CITY CLERK MAYOR
