Council Minutes – May 13, 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBER, Topeka, Kansas, Tuesday, May 13, 2014. The Councilmembers of the City of Topeka met in regular session at 6:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Hiller, Ortiz, Everhart, De La Isla, Manspeaker, Schwartz, Schmidt and Harmon -8. Mayor Larry E. Wolgast presided -1.

AFTER THE MEETING was called to order, Pastor Larry Holmes, Wanamaker Woods Church of the Nazarene, gave the invocation.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present in the chamber.

A PRESENTATION on the First Quarter Financial Report was given by Brandon Kauffman, Chief Financial Officer.

A PRESENTATION on the Endangered Properties List was given by Zach Snethen, Topeka Landmarks Commission Chair.

Councilmember Schwartz moved to add a resolution granting a noise exception to Trevor Gunn to the Council agenda under the consent agenda. The motion seconded by Councilmember Schmidt carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Councilmember Everhart moved to add a discussion concerning the City Council’s Priorities for the 2015 City of Topeka Operating Budget to the Council agenda under Non-Action Items. The motion seconded by Councilmember De La Isla carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Mayor Wolgast announced the resolution would be placed on the Council agenda under the consent agenda as item 4E and the discussion would be placed under Non-Action Items as item 6C.

THE CONSENT AGENDA was presented as follows:
BOARD APPOINTMENT recommending the appointment of Paulean Carter to the Citizen Advisory Council to fill an unexpired term ending February 28, 2015, was presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 8613 introduced by Councilmember Sylvia Ortiz, granting Sacred Heart-St. Joseph Parish an exception to the provisions of City of Topeka Code Section 9.45.150, et seq., concerning noise prohibitions was presented.

MINUTES of the regular meeting of May 6, 2014, were presented.

An Open After Midnight License application for The Office Lounge located at 124 SW 8th Avenue was presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 8614 introduced by Councilmember Elaine Schwartz, granting Trevor Gunn an exception to the provisions of City of Topeka Code Section 9.45.150, et seq., concerning noise prohibitions was presented.

Councilmember De La Isla moved to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion seconded by Councilmember Hiller carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

RESOLUTION NO. 8615 introduced by Councilmember Sylvia Ortiz, approving a special event known as Germanfest 2014, was presented.

Councilmember Ortiz moved to approve the resolution. The motion seconded by Councilmember Harmon carried unanimously. Mayor Wol gast voted “yes.” (9-0-0)

RESOLUTION NO. 8616 introduced by City Manager Jim Colson, in accordance with Section 18.70.030(c)(4) of the Topeka Municipal Code approving a Conditional Use Permit to establish a communication tower, telecommunication equipment and accessory facilities on property currently zoned “R-1” Single Family Dwelling District and located on property at 3107 SW 21st Street, of which the 2,500 square feet lease area is approximately 3,000 feet southwest
of the intersection of SW 21st Street and SW Randolph Avenue in the City of Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas was presented. (CU14/1)

Bill Fiander, Planning Department Director, reported approval would allow Verizon Wireless to install a communications tower, telecommunication equipment and accessory facilities on property located at 3107 SW 21st Street. He stated the Planning Department staff has recommended approval, subject to the applicant providing a landscape plan to be approved administratively. He noted the plan provides for landscape screening around the fence, equipment building and the base of the tower.

Councilmember Harmon asked the proximity of the cell tower to Victory Village Housing development.

Bill Fiander stated the cell tower would be located northwest of the development.

Councilmember Schmidt stated the Planning Commission recommended the proposal by a vote of 6-2-0 with the two dissenting votes requesting to explore other locations and asked if this has been done.

Bill Fiander stated the issue was discussed at the Planning Commission meeting with the applicant; however, the proposed site works for the Kansas Neurological Institute so no other locations were considered by the State of Kansas.

Mayor Wolgast stated the Planning Commission Minutes from the April 21, 2014, meeting state the location was based on the location of the building site, existing road and the elevated area.

Bill Fiander stated the State of Kansas determined the location not Verizon Wireless.

Councilmember Schmidt asked if there were any negative consequences to the proposal if other locations had been explored.
Bill Fiander stated the lease has been fully executed with the Kansas Attorney General and Secretary of Administration, and it would take time to revise the legal description and route it through the approval process again.

Councilmember Hiller stated she appreciates the extensive discussion; however, she expressed concern with the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) standards.

Bill Fiander stated the Planning Department has recommended approval with the stipulation the landscaping screen must be consistent with CPTED standards.

Councilmember Manspeaker moved to approve the resolution. The motion seconded by Councilmember De La Isla carried unanimously. Mayor Wolgast voted “yes.” (9-0-0)

RESOLUTION NO. 8617 introduced by Councilmember Richard Harmon expressing the City Council’s position regarding the possible submission of a ballot question to the electorate to extend the current countywide retailer’s sales tax was presented.

Councilmember Harmon gave background on the countywide half-cent sales tax and the purpose it was enacted. He reported the Countywide Half-Cent Sales Tax is set to expire on December 31, 2016, and there has been interest expressed in the community to continue it. He stated the Council, City staff and community have extensively discussed what projects would be covered; when the vote would appear on an election ballot; and how long it should be extended. He distributed an amendment to the resolution on Line 42 which reads, “3. Kansas ExpoCentre. The proposed countywide retailers’ sales tax would be used to support improvements to the Domer Livestock Arena to enhance the livestock/equestrian/animal exhibition pavilion; and existing sales tax funds from the current 2004 Countywide retailers’ sales tax would commission an independent study of utilization and needs of Landon Arena, Exhibition Hall, Topeka
Performing Arts Center and Jayhawk State Theater, and explore the feasibility of a new performance/exhibition/event arena in or around the downtown corridor on either side of the Kansas River.” He noted his proposed amendment would address the concerns expressed at the May 6, 2014, Council meeting regarding the ExpoCentre, the use of funds; and whether the facility is still useful.

Councilmember Hiller noted any extra funds left from the current Countywide Half-Cent Sales Tax could not be used for the Expo until the tax sunsets in 2017 because it was removed from the list of projects the public approved in 2004.

Councilmember Harmon stated Councilmember Hiller was correct; however, the proposal for the tax moving forward would fund the Domer Livestock Arena if a new study finds it would still be feasible; then at that point, the Council could consider the use of STAR bonds or a TIF District.

Joseph Ledbetter distributed a copy of the Rossville City Council Minutes of April 7, 2014, published in the Topeka Metro News April 28, 2014 and expressed concern with Shawnee County Commissioner Shelly Buhler’s comments regarding the sales tax extension. He stated he believes the funds should be proportioned for bicycles and vehicles street improvements because there are more vehicles using the streets; 15 years is too long to extend the sales tax; and specify that all funds and expenditures are open to the Kansas Open Records Act requirements. He also expressed concern with the lack of economic development funds stipulated for the ExpoCentre and Topeka Zoo and doesn’t believe it is enough to cover the improvements needed.

Councilmember Harmon moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember De La Isla.
Councilmember Harmon made a substitute motion to amend Line 42 as stated. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hiller.

Councilmember Schmidt stated he appreciates exploring options of feasibility; however, he expressed concern with the amendment not showing support or feasibility and may limit the factors.

Councilmember Hiller asked if the ExpoCentre improvements could be figured separately and a special tax could be voted on at that time.

Mayor Wolgast stated these suggestions could be included in the interlocal agreement if the Council chooses to do so.

Chad Sublet, City Attorney, clarified the Council is making recommendations this evening; however, the projects and dollar amounts would be defined in the interlocal agreement with Shawnee County.

Councilmember De La Isla expressed concern with the proposed resolution because it only states what areas the sales tax should fund; however, it does not establish parameters in how dollars are spent. She expressed appreciation for Councilmember Harmon’s amendment; however, she feels it may be a disservice if it is outlined in the resolution.

Councilmember Manspeaker spoke in opposition of Councilmember Harmon’s amendment because he believes it would prolong repairs. He noted all area venues serve a purpose in the community and the Kansas ExpoCentre has secured many quality acts.

The substitute motion to amend Line 42 by inserting the statement, “3. Kansas ExpoCentre. The proposed countywide retailers’ sales tax would be used to support improvements to the Domer Livestock Arena to enhance the livestock/equestrian/animal exhibition pavilion. Existing sales tax from the current 2004 Countywide retailers’ sales tax would commission an
independent study of utilization and needs of Landon Arena, Exhibition Hall, Topeka Performing Arts Center and Jayhawk State Theater, and explore the feasibility of a new performance/exhibition/event arena in or around the downtown corridor on either side of the Kansas River.” failed. Councilmembers Everhart, De La Isla, Manspeaker, Schwartz and Schmidt voted “no.” (3-5-0)

Councilmember Schmidt made a substitute motion to amend Line 25 of the resolution by inserting the statement, “Economic development. Economic development funds would consist of one-third of retail sales tax revenue”. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Schwartz.

Councilmember Everhart stated she understands Councilmember Schmidt’s intent; however, she expressed concern with how they could equate sales tax revenue to what has been produced.

Councilmember Schmidt stated his amendment would serve as an incentive to generate economic development and it would be the Joint Economic Development Organization or whoever the City contracts with to ensure the companies they contract with are doing a good job with economic development. He noted if the sales tax extension is approved, the allocation of $5 million for economic development would not have changed for over 30 years.

Mayor Wolgast reported the financial report conservatively estimated the increase of 1% a year in sales tax revenues.

Councilmember Everhart asked if the amendment would be better stated in the interlocal agreement to determine the amount.

Chad Sublet stated it would be more appropriate to spell out the funding in the interlocal agreement.
The substitute motion to amend Line 25 of the resolution by inserting the statement, “Economic development. Economic development funds would consist of one-third of retail sales tax revenue” carried. Councilmembers Everhart, De La Isla and Manspeaker voted “no.” (5-3-0)

Councilmember Manspeaker made a substitute motion to amend Line 48 of the resolution by deleting the words “15 years” and inserting the words “12 years”. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Schwartz.

Councilmember Hiller made a substitute motion to amend Line 48 of the resolution by deleting the words “15 years” and inserting the words “no more than 10 to 12 years”. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ortiz.

Councilmember Manspeaker expressed concern with stating “10 to 12 years”.

Councilmember Hiller stated the amount of money they are expecting to generate over the years may be able to work into a ten-year extension.

Councilmember Schmidt stated he believes it is redundant.

Councilmember Schwartz stated she received many emails from constituents on this topic and believes 12 years is a good timeline.

Councilmember De La Isla asked if there was a specific reason to suggest 15 years; would the list of priorities given by the community be completed in 12 years; or would reducing the sales tax extension to 12 years more than likely not allow time to fund improvements to the Topeka Zoo, Kansas ExpoCentre and bike trails.

Jim Colson, City Manager, stated if the length of time was reduced to collect revenues, there would be less money to allocate towards projects. He noted City staff has not conducted an analysis on a 12-year extension.
Councilmember De La Isla expressed concern with the priorities outlined by the public and wants to ensure the number of years for the extension would allow the City to complete the projects.

Councilmember Hiller stated she distributed a proposal at the May 8, 2014, Council meeting which included a 12-year timeline.

Councilmember Manspeaker stated the Topeka Boulevard Bridge project of $30 million was completed within a 12-year period.

The substitute motion to amend Line 48 of the resolution by deleting the words “15 years” and inserting the statement “no more than 10 to 12 years” failed. Councilmembers Everhart, De La Isla, Manspeaker, Schmidt and Harmon voted “no.” (3-5-0)

The substitute motion to amend Line 48 of the resolution by deleting the words “15 years” and inserting the words “12 years” carried. Councilmembers Ortiz and Everhart voted “no.” (6-2-0)

Councilmember Everhart suggested removing bikeways and trailways from the resolution because she has received correspondence from her constituents that believe these projects should be funded privately while infrastructure and zoo projects should be publicly funded.

Councilmember Everhart made a substitute motion to amend the resolution to remove “bikeways and trailways”. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

Councilmember Manspeaker suggested providing a grant of $100,000 to downtown development because he believes it should not be such an abundant amount completely funded through each taxpayer and in one central area of the community.
Councilmember Manspeaker made a substitute motion to amend the resolution to remove Line 27 by deleting the words “downtown development”. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

Councilmember Hiller questioned the use of the word “expansion” in the list of street projects on Lines 32, 33 and 36 in the resolution; and asked if there were plans to widen the streets.

Doug Whitacre, Public Works Director, reported the word “expansion” is in relation to adding sidewalks, not widening roadways.

Mayor Wolgast stated these specific projects on 12th Street from Gage to S. Kansas Avenue; Huntoon from Gage to SW Harrison; and Topeka Boulevard from 15th to 21st Street are very challenging and narrow and assumes other intersections need improving as well.

Jim Colson suggested removing the word “expansion” from the resolution.

Councilmember Hiller made a substitute motion to remove the word “expansion” from Lines 32, 33 and 36 of the resolution. The motion seconded by Councilmember Ortiz carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Councilmember Hiller suggested adding the statement, “that all projects be budgeted as cash” to Line 50 of the resolution.

Chad Sublet stated Councilmember Hiller’s suggestion would be more appropriate on the ballot question if the Council’s policy is to fund projects only with cash.

Councilmember Hiller stated it is a critical decision for the Council to determine how many projects could be done and how they would be funded within 12 years.

Jim Colson suggested clarifying in the resolution that no proceeds from sales tax revenues could be used for interest rates or debt service issuance.
Councilmember Hiller made a substitute motion to amend the resolution to include the words “no proceeds from tax dollars could be used for debt issuance or interest”. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

Councilmember Harmon asked how the process would proceed with the County if sales tax projections are estimated and there are not enough funds.

Mayor Wol gast stated the projects would be listed by priority according to the public and would be completed as long as there are revenues coming in.

Chad Sublet stated the ballot question would specify the countywide sales tax defined priorities included in the interlocal agreement approved by the Council and specify how the issue would be handled.

Councilmember Harmon stated the Council doesn’t know what those priorities are at this point.

Chad Sublet stated there will be an interlocal agreement that would include all the projects and dollar amounts for the ballot question.

Councilmember Schmidt asked if the resolution would be considered binding action of the Council.

Chad Sublet stated there is no legal binding action of the Council in the proposed resolution.

Councilmember Schwartz questioned why the March 2015 Primary Election was listed in the resolution and not the November 2015 General Election; if there was a cost difference between the primary and general elections; if the November election would be better because there is a larger voter turnout; and what is the difference between the April and November voter turnouts.
Jim Colson stated City staff has done research on primary election and the countywide election turnouts in April; however, the County will take whatever action is appropriate because they prefer to have an agreement with the City. He reported there is no cost difference; however, the general elections in November are very busy and there is a lot of candidate information being advertised to the public and may be difficult to ensure everyone is informed about the sales tax issue. He noted he would research the historical voter turnouts and send the information to the Council.

The motion to approve the resolution as amended carried. Councilmember Harmon voted “no.” (7-1-0)

ORDINANCE NO. 19904 introduced by City Manager Jim Colson, amending City of Topeka Code Sections 18.240.010, 18.240.020 and 18.240.040 and specifically repealing said original sections all concerning bike parking was presented. (ACZRI3/02)

Bill Fiander, Planning Department Director, reported approval would require a minimum number of designated bicycle parking spaces in conjunction with new development. He stated the ordinance would help implement the Bikeways Master Plan, as well as, better position the City of Topeka to be recognized as a bicycle-friendly community by the League of American Bicyclists.

Councilmember Schmidt moved to adopt the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Councilmember De La Isla.

Andy Fry thanked the Council for their support and expressed concern with the lack of bike racks within the city. He commented on the cost of vehicle parking spaces versus bicycle parking spaces, lighting and spacing standards and bike rack designs.

The motion to adopt the ordinance carried unanimously. Mayor Wolgast voted “yes.”
The ordinance was adopted on roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Hiller, Ortiz, Everhart, De La Isla, Manspeaker, Schwartz, Schmidt, Harmon and Mayor Wolgast -9.

NO Retail Cereal Malt Beverage License applications were presented.

DISCUSSION on the 2015-2019 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and 2015-2017 Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) for Utility Fund Project Budgets was presented.

Nickie Lee, Budget Manager, stated the discussion would continue the series of the 2015-2019 CIP and 2015-2017 CIB utility projects that make up 62% of the CIP and are funded through Water, Wastewater, Stormwater funds and Revenue bonds. (Attachment A)

Doug Whitacre, Public Works Director, listed the various wastewater, stormwater and water improvement projects listed in the 2015-2019 CIP and 2015-2017 CIB.

Councilmember Manspeaker asked what the total amount is for 2014 storm conveyance; how storm inlets are prioritized; and what is the process if an inlet collapses.

Doug Whitacre reported $2 million is identified in 2014 for storm conveyance. He stated storm inlets are prioritized by those located within the street project analysis and/or those inlets in need of major repairs.

Joseph Ledbetter stated he continues to ask questions over the years regarding the stormwater fund because a great deal of money has been allocated to the flood protection system which was intended to match funding from the federal government; however, he believes the a solution has never been presented and money continues to be collected, especially from commercial properties. He expressed concern with the stormwater utility rates being much higher than other cities and would like to see the issue resolved.
DISCUSSION on the Domestic Partnership Registry and Unlawful Employment Practices was presented.

Councilmember Manspeaker provided a brief overview of discussions at the Human Relations Commission meetings. He stated the ordinances would be presented before the Council at the May 20, 2014, Council meeting.

Chad Sublet, City Attorney, distributed an ordinance concerning the domestic partnership registry and another ordinance concerning unlawful employment practices. He commented on the Human Relations Commission meetings which provided input to the Legal Department on establishing the criteria for domestic partnership and unlawful employment practices. He provided a brief overview of each ordinance and clarified the ordinances do not create any legal rights or responsibilities for any individuals. He stated the registry process is being researched, as well as, the registry fee and gave some examples of the process established by the City of Lawrence.

Councilmember Ortiz asked about hospital visit rights; how many hospitals accept domestic partnerships for visitors; how is a reasonable fee base determined; and how will the fee be set.

Chad Sublet stated it is a hospital’s discretion to accept domestic partnership for visitation; there are no hospitals in the Topeka area that allow domestic partnership for visitation; and the City of Lawrence set a registration fee of $75. He noted he would work with the City Clerk’s office to determine a registration fee based on staff time and other costs.

Councilmember Hiller asked what the differences are between the ordinance regarding domestic partnership registry that was not adopted by the Council in 2011 and the proposed ordinance.
Chad Sublet stated he is unsure of the differences between the two ordinances since he was not employed with the City in 2011.

Councilmember Manspeaker stated he believes there are not many differences between the 2011 ordinance not adopted and the proposed ordinance.

Chad Sublet stated the ordinance regarding unlawful employment practices applies to City employees only and the affirmative action program. He commented on the changes to definitions including sexual orientation and gender identity and reported staff researched 52 different municipalities for definitions. He clarified the ordinance does not mandate the City to provide healthcare coverage but makes a good faith effort to contract for this coverage. He noted the ordinance would not go into effect until 2015 because of the current contract for healthcare coverage and is unsure if there would be an increased cost for the coverage at this time.

Councilmember Manspeaker asked for clarification that the City’s current employment practice already covers these definitions.

Chad Sublet stated Topeka Municipal Code Section 2.135.040 currently addresses sexual orientation; however, the proposed ordinance would add gender identity.

Councilmember Ortiz asked if there are any current issues with city employees and if sexual orientation and gender identity would be protected classes if the ordinance is approved.

Jacque Russell, Human Resources Director, reported there are no issues at this time.

Chad Sublet stated sexual orientation and gender identity are not protected classes at this time.

Councilmember Hiller questioned what issues could come up if the City is already self-insured.
Chad Sublet stated the City’s current healthcare contract does not have these options and an outside vendor processes the claims.

Jacque Russell clarified the current healthcare contract states “eligible dependents” and would have to add sexual orientation and gender identity to its definitions.

Bill Lucero, Amy Cohen, Mary Akerstrom, Pedro Irigonegaray, Patricia Gros, Davis Hammet and Stephanie Mott spoke in support of the domestic partnership registry and unlawful employment practices ordinances and thanked the Human Relations Commission and Councilmember Manspeaker for their work on the ordinances. The following list highlights the comments made by these individuals:

- Not an exclusive issue to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community but an interest to everyone
- Should protect all people from discrimination and unequal treatment in the community
- Opportunity to change how Topeka is viewed by others
- Many civil rights organizations support these ordinances
- To judge individuals solely by their content of character
- Many other individuals were afraid to publicly speak their support of the ordinances

DISCUSSION on the City Council’s Priorities for the 2015 City of Topeka Operating Budget.

Councilmember Everhart reported Topeka Municipal Code Section 3.05.050 requires the Council to establish priorities for the budget “on or before the third Tuesday of May”. She distributed copies of the proposed resolution and encouraged the Governing Body to review them and provide input.

Jim Colson, City Manager, stated staff has identified four priorities and listed them as follows for discussion:

1) Establish fiscal responsibility by building the general fund balance to help achieve high bond rating
2) Invest in infrastructure
3) Continue commitment to public safety
4) Continue commitment to developing neighborhoods

Mayor Wolgast asked if the priorities outlined by Mr. Colson were ranked by importance.

Jim Colson stated the list is for discussion purposes only as he believes it would be difficult to categorize one item more important than another.

Councilmember Hiller asked for clarification on the progress towards the minimum or preferred threshold of the general fund balance and what amount would need to be added to the fund balance in 2015 to meet this goal.

Jim Colson reported the City has made significant progress towards our goal of seeking 15% of the general fund balance which is aligned with the average goal of 18% for the state general fund balance; however, 10% is the national average. He stated roughly $1.5 million in addition to the fund balance would be needed to meet this goal; however, that is premature in his opinion; and would like to see the overall budget of the City continue to spend less than what is taken in.

Councilmember Everhart stated the priorities outlined by the City Manager are suggestions; therefore, she encouraged input from the Council as it is the Council’s responsibility to set the priorities for the 2015 budget.

Councilmember Hiller noted the City is just coming out of the recession and prefers not to borrow money if cash is available and wants to see progression which is more important to her at this time.

Jim Colson stated the City’s goals are financial stability and effective management of the overall budget; however, because the City has lost some rating points because of the low fund reserve that’s why this issue became a target and could be an easy performance metric.
Councilmember De La Isla stated she believes it is important to review good sound economic management of funds to ensure bonds are proportionally affected and would like to earmark this issue for consideration.

Councilmember Schmidt moved to extend the Council meeting past 10:00 p.m. The motion seconded by Councilmember Harmon carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Councilmember Harmon spoke in support of the budget priorities as outlined by the City Manager and asked for a resolution to be presented at the May 20, 2014, Council meeting for the Council’s consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CITY MANAGER, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL;

A brief overview of the May 20, 2014 Council agenda was provided by the Assistant City Clerk.

Councilmember Schwartz congratulated all 2014 high school and college graduates, as well as, the 2014 Small Business Award winners honored at the Small Businesses Awards Luncheon on May 13, 2014. She thanked Brendan Wiley, Topeka Zoo Director, for the tour of the zoo and Doug Whitacre, Public Works Director, and Kelly Haller, Water Pollution Control Field Operations Manager for attending to an issue in Council District No. 7.

Councilmember Schmidt encouraged the community to attend area events surrounding the 60th Anniversary celebration of Brown v. Board of Education.

Mayor Wolgast acknowledged and thanked Councilmember Schmidt for assisting with the events celebrating the Brown v. Board of Education 60th Anniversary.

Councilmember Hiller congratulated the 2014 Small Business Award winners and also commented on the Brown v. Board of Education Anniversary celebration events.
Councilmember Ortiz thanked Mayor Wolgast for inviting the Quincy Elementary NOTO Wrappers to the Council meeting to perform. She announced the Topeka Metro Transit Kids Ride Free Program would be provided to kids through age 18 from May 15th through August 15th on fixed bus routes; the Oakland pool opens May 24th, as well as, the Spray Park. She also announced the 2014 Takeover/Makeover event hosted by Shawnee County’s solid waste department is scheduled for May 17th for residents west of Topeka Boulevard; and May 24th for residents east of Topeka Boulevard. She reported residents are required to place all trash and debris at the curb for pickup on the specified dates between 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. She encouraged any resident of Council District No. 2 who may be interested in filling the council vacancy to contact her with any questions and she would be happy to assist them. She congratulated all Topeka Public School 2014 graduates.

Councilmember Everhart reminded everyone of the Joint Economic Development Organization meeting on May 14, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 214 SE 8th Street.

Councilmember De La Isla thanked Councilmember Manspeaker for his work on the domestic partnership registry and unlawful employment practices ordinances and acknowledged the people who spoke publicly during the discussion. She stated the City of Topeka respects different views and is a loving and open city for all people. She thanked the Economic and Development Committee for initiating the grant allocation process for social services and reminded everyone the Economic and Community Development Committee is scheduled to meet on May 14, 2014, at 12:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room, Third Floor, City Hall, 215 SE 7th Street, as well as, May 15, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the Executive Conference Room to vote on final allocations.
Councilmember Manspeaker commented on the Sumatran tiger cubs and noted the animals are listed on the critical endangered species list. He commended Topeka taxpayers for helping add life to a species on this list, as well as, the Topeka Zoo staff for their hard work. He stated he looks forward to the May 20, 2014, Council meeting when the domestic partnership registry and unlawful employment practice ordinances are presented to the Council for a vote.

Ted Mize appeared to speak under public comment.

Councilmember Manspeaker moved to recess into executive session to discuss potential litigation for a time period not to exceed 20 minutes and to include the Governing Body, City Manager, City Attorney and Police Chief. The motion seconded by Councilmember Harmon carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

At 10:20 p.m., Deputy Mayor Everhart adjourned the executive session and announced no action had been taken.

NO FURTHER BUSINESS appearing the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Brenda Younger
City Clerk
## Enterprise Funded Projects

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