CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
SPECIAL SESSION  

The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 5:00 p.m. on March 3, 2011 in the Historic Federal Building.

Present: Mayor Buol, Council Members Braig, Connors, Jones, Lynch, Resnick, City Manager Michael Van Milligen, City Attorney Lindahl

Mayor Buol read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting a closed session regarding pending litigation.

Motion by Braig to go into closed session at 5:07 p.m. regarding pending litigation pursuant to Chapter 21.5(1)(c) Code of Iowa. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried 6-0.

Upon motion the City Council reconvened in open session stating that staff had been given proper direction.

There being no further business, upon motion the City Council adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

/s/Jeannie F. Schneider, CMC  
City Clerk

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The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 6:30 p.m. on March 3, 2011 in the Historic Federal Building.

Present: Mayor Buol, Council Members Braig, Connors, Jones, Lynch, Resnick, City Manager Michael Van Milligen

Mayor Buol read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of discussing various City departmental budgets.

Departmental Budget Review

Fiscal Year 2012 Departmental Budgets were presented by staff from the following departments/divisions: Purchase of Services Agencies, Planning Services Department, Economic Development Department, Parking Division, and the Transit Division. City Council had discussion with staff following each presentation.

Purchase of Services: Fiscal Year 2012 budget requests were presented by the following representatives of the respective agency: Keith Rahe, America’s River
Corporation; Clara Jones, Helping Services of Northeast Iowa; Marilyn Althoff, Hills & Dales Senior Center; Michelle Brown, Opening Doors; Tom Stoval, Operation: New View Community Action Agency. Mr. Stovall requested a letter of support to legislators for continued funding of the Community Services Block Grant Program; Nancy Lewis, Project Concern’s Child Care Referral, Foster Grandparent, and Information and Referral programs; Judy Giesen and Norma Denlinger, Proudly Accessible Dubuque; Amy Schauer, RSVP; Diane Thomas, Substance Abuse Services Center; and the Washington Tool Library. Braig read information into the Record related to other Purchase of Services provided for within other departmental budget significant line items.

Planning Services Department: Planning Services Manager Laura Carstens presented the Fiscal Year 2012 budget for this department.

Economic Development Department: Economic Development Director Dave Heiar and Assistant Economic Development Director Aaron DeJong presented the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget for this department. Connors questioned improvement package #1 requesting an additional staff person.

Parking Division: Parking System Supervisor Tim Horsfield presented the Fiscal Year 2012 budget for this division. Responding to questions from City Council, Horsfield explained the return of investment on the parking ramp lighting replacement schedule and will consider posting signage indicating that cameras are in use within the ramps.

Transit Division: Transit Manager Barbara Morck introduced staff and Transit Advisory Board members and presented the Fiscal Year 2012 budget for this division. Lynch questioned improvement package #2 related to the NICC Peosta/Kennedy Mall route. Economic Development Director Dave Heiar explained the grant funding history between RTA, NICC, and the City. Braig questioned the amount of funding NICC has provided toward and ridership for this route and expressed concern over the number of part-time employees.

Item to be set for Public Hearing

Acquisition of property for the Southwest Arterial: City Manager recommending that a public hearing be set for April 4, 2011, on the acquisition of property for the Southwest Arterial project. Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 67-11 Setting a public hearing on the intent to acquire or condemn if necessary property for the Southwest Arterial Project setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on April 4, 2011 in the Historic Federal Building. Seconded by Braig. Motion carried 6-0.

There being no further business, upon motion the City Council adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

/s/Jeanne F. Schneider, CMC
City Clerk