The City Council met in special session at 4:30 p.m. on August 24, 2011 in Room 4 at the Grand River Center, 500 Bell Street.

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

Mayor Buol read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council to act upon such business that may properly come before the City Council.

PUBLIC HEARING

Upon motion the rules were suspended allowing anyone present to address the City Council.

2011 Redistricting Plan for Wards and Precincts: Proof of publication on notice of public hearing to consider an amendment to the 2011 Redistricting Plan for Wards and Precincts and the City Manager recommending approval. Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and that the requirement that a proposed ordinance be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be passed be suspended. Seconded by Braig. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Jones for final consideration and passage of Ordinance No. 43-11 Amending Title 1 of the City of Dubuque Code of Ordinances, by repealing Chapter 8, Elections, Wards and Precincts, and adopting in lieu thereof a new Chapter 8, Elections, Wards and Precincts, Establishing Boundaries for Four (4) Wards and Twenty (20) Precincts. Seconded by Braig. Motion carried 7-0.

Upon motion the rules were reinstated limiting discussion to the City Council.

CITY COUNCIL GOAL SETTING SESSION
FY 2013

Lyle Sumek, Lyle Sumek and Associates, facilitated the FY 2013 City Council’s goal setting. Discussion was given to:

• Goal 1 – Diverse and Strong Economy
• Goal 2 – Sustainable City
• Goal 3 – Planned and Managed Growth
• Goal 4 – Partnering for a Better Dubuque
• Goal 5 – Improved Connectivity, Transportation and Telecommunications
• Other city successes
• Actions to reduce cost to government
• Service reductions
• Increased new services
• Success in 2016
• Major Challenges
Sumek provided information from the Joel Kotkin book, “The Next 100 Million; America in 2050.” Discussion was given to the author’s five top reasons for Dubuque’s success:

1. Traditional values with social tolerance
2. Affordability
3. Live near work
4. Importance of partnerships
5. Quality schools

Sumek also led discussion on the importance of local government supporting growth and community investment.

There being no further business, upon motion the City Council adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

/s/Kevin S. Firnstahl
Acting City Clerk

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