



Conversation with President Warren

President Warren asked for a few minutes (6:30 pm) before the Council meeting to check in with Council, catch up on community issues, and make sure our successful town-gown relations are on-track for continued success.

Public Hearing

Bridget Susel has scheduled the first public hearing for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant program.

Unauthorized Items

1. Donation from the American Legion Portage Post #496(Draft #15-26)

As a result of the new Kent Parks and Recreation Bingo Program operated by the American Legion Portage Post #496, the American Legion is donating last month's proceeds (\$950.57) raised from the bingo games to Kent Parks and Recreation.

Administration Recommendation

I recommend Council accept the donation.

Council Action

Authorize acceptance of the donation.

Information Items

1. Police Station Land Purchases (Drafts #15-42, 15-43, 15-44, 15-45)

Jim Silver revised the City's "final and best offer" to the last hold-out property owner and as a result Jim needs Council to re-authorize the eminent domain court documents that are required to purchase the last 4 parcels for the new Police Station. The properties include 223 College Avenue; 225 College Avenue; 233 College Avenue; and 227 College Avenue. Jim notes that a mediation date has been set next month to try to reach a settlement on the property sales.

2. Summit Street Construction Easements

Jim Bowling has submitted 8 temporary right of way agreements (4 temporary and 4 permanent) that Linda has prepared for approval by Council by Ordinance. The terms of the agreements are consistent with the blanket approval policy previously authorized by Council for this project. (attachments)

3. Health Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided copies of the Health Department's statistical report for January 2015. Health Department revenues are up 6% (\$8,577) and permits are up 4% (7 permits) in 2015 from 2014. (attachment)



Information Items (continued)

4. Sustainability Commission Update

Suzanne Stemnock has provided the second article recently written by the Sustainability Commission recommending methods to fend off global warming at Council's request. The Commission decided to write this article on other recycling options aside from the typical curbside method. (attachment)

5. Planning Commission Meeting

Bridget Susel has enclosed copies of the Planning Commission agenda and staff report for the February 17th Planning Commission meeting. There is 1 item up for consideration: 1) 1480 S. Water Street, conditional zoning certificate, site plan review, and approval for a day care facility. (attachment)

6. Architectural Review Board Meeting

Heather Phile from Community Development has provided a copy of the agenda for the February Architectural Review Board meeting scheduled for February 17th. There is one item on the agenda: Mr. Zub's, 138 S. Water Street, review of signage. (attachment)