

AGENDA

NEWTON CITY COUNCIL
City Hall
101 West 4th Street South

REGULAR MEETING
January 2, 2007
5:30 p.m.

AMERICANS WITH
DISABILITIES ACT
COMPLIANCE
CALL TO ORDER

IS THERE ANYONE PRESENT WHO MAY REQUIRE SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IN BEING ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC MEETING?

Roll Call

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

1. **This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Council on a matter not on the agenda. Except in cases of legal emergency, the City Council cannot take formal action at the meeting, but may ask the City staff to research the matter or have the matter placed on a subsequent agenda.**

CONSENT AGENDA

2. **Approve December 18, 2006 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**

PUBLIC HEARING

3. **Resolution Approving An Application For Brownfield Funding To The Iowa Department Of Economic Development (Council Report 07-001)**

- As part of the redevelopment agreement for the former downtown Maytag properties, the City has been asked to submit a Brownfield application to the Iowa Department of Economic Development. The City, on behalf of the project, has requested \$1,250,000 in Brownfield funds to assist in the demolition of Maytag Plant 1 and the reuse of the grounds.
- The application has already been forwarded and on December 27, 2006, the IDED Board approved the application and committed the funding. The public hearing is required before funds are awarded by IDED.

RESOLUTION

4. **Resolution Awarding Bid For The Crop Land Lease For The Newton Sanitary Landfill (Council Report 07-002)**

- The City of Newton currently has 122.5 acres of land available for farm lease at the landfill. A three-year lease expired the end of 2006. The lease was advertised for bids. It is recommended that the City Council award the bid for cropland lease at the Newton Sanitary Landfill to Bruce Keith for \$180.00/acre.

5. **Resolution Authorizing Audit Of Infrastructure Features Associated With Increasing The Design Speed Limit For Newton Roadway Improvements Associated With The Iowa Speedway (Council Report 07-003)**

- At the last council meeting, the Council direction was to proceed with an audit of our infrastructure surrounding the Speedway to find ways to increase the speed limit to 45 mph in lieu of the posted limit as designed at 35 mph.
- The road was designed, constructed as 35 mph and is consistent with more intense urban development and proposed for the area. The City should not pay more money to determine how a higher speed in straights can be accomplished. All staff and insurance recommendations state that the speed should be 35 mph.

6. **Resolution Approving Purchase Of A Mainline Camera System For Public Works, Water Pollution Control Division (Council Report 07-004)**

- Previously, \$50,000 was programmed in the CIP for 04/05 and 06/07 for televising by outside contractors, since little to no investigation of our system has taken place over the past several years. These amounts were eliminated in anticipation of purchasing our own equipment that could be run by city staff thus resulting in long term cost savings.

- NEW BUSINESS** 7.
- CLOSED SESSION** 8. **To Discuss Strategy with Counsel in Matters that Are Presently in Litigation or Where Litigation is Imminent Where its Disclosure Would be Likely to Prejudice or Disadvantage the Position of the Governmental Body in that Litigation, Which Discussions are Exempt from the Open Meetings Law Pursuant to the Provision of Section 21.5(1)(c), Code of Iowa 2006**
- RETURN TO OPEN SESSION** 9,
- ADJOURN**