

Falcon Heights Council Workshop Minutes
March 7, 2012

Members present: Mayor Lindstrom, Council members Long, Harris, Mercer-Taylor and Gosline

Members absent: None

Others present: Administrator Bart Fischer, Planning and Zoning Director Deb Jones, City Attorney Roger Knutson, City Prosecuting Attorney Katrina Joseph

Continued Discussion on a Vacant Building Ordinance

Council discussed with staff as well as City Attorney Roger Knutson and Prosecuting Attorney Katrina Joseph the options the City would have in passing and enforcing a vacant building ordinance. After much discussion, Council directed staff to bring forward at an upcoming Council meeting the adoption of the International Property Maintenance Code into the City's Code of Ordinances. Council also directed staff, on the advice of both attorneys, to begin more rigorous enforcement on chronic or repeat ordinance offenders.

Fire Study RFP

Fischer presented the updated Fire Study RFP to the Council. Council directed staff to send out the RFP as soon as possible with a response deadline of April 20th, 2012 at 4:30pm.

Special Events Ordinance

There was discussion regarding the creation of a special events ordinance in relation to a request from business owners. The state fair grounds and events surrounding the use of the fair grounds were discussed. Council directed staff to review this option and discuss at future workshops.

Roofing Bids Discussion

Bids for the City Hall roofing project have been submitted. Council reviewed and had several questions for staff regarding the bids. Council directed staff to provide answers prior to the next Council meeting.

The workshop concluded at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bart Fischer
City Administrator