

## RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Silverton City Council Workshop  
Held Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2005

The Council of the City of Silverton met for a workshop in Council Chambers at 6860 Plainfield Road at 7pm on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2005. Mayor James Siegel called the meeting to order.

### **OPENING REMARKS:**

Councilman Sylvester led the prayer and Mayor Siegel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL:**

#### **ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

James Siegel	Mayor	Present	Mark Wendling	City Manager
John Smith	Council	Present	Meredith George	Admin Clerk
Frank Sylvester	Council	Present		
Mark Quarry	Council	Present		
Mike Morthorst	Council	Present		
Idella Thompson	Council	Present		
Joyce Glover	Council	Present		
Mary Shea	Clerk- Treasurer	Present		

Mayor Siegel notified council Councilman Quarry was at Silverton School giving a presentation about the Winners Walk Tall program and would be late to the meeting. Councilman Smith moved to excuse Councilman Quarry's absence and was seconded by Councilman Sylvester. All voted aye. Motion carried.

### **CITY MANAGER'S WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

#### 1. Website

Mr. Wendling advised council that the website is "live" and encouraged all to take a look at the site. Mr. Wendling also thanked council for their input on the site and encouraged council to keep their suggestions coming. The website address is [www.cityofsilverton.com](http://www.cityofsilverton.com). Councilwoman Thompson suggested the address be added to our meeting agenda so that anyone who attends will know the address. Mr. Wendling said he would add it to the agenda for the next business meeting.

#### 2. Downtown Re-Development

- 2.1. Mr. Wendling reported that he recently met with Mark Vella from Al Neyer Property Group, who was very intrigued by our downtown. Presently Al Neyer Property Group is re-developing Columbia Tusculum and College Hill. Councilman Sylvester added the Neyer Group is a very good company to work with.
- 2.2. Mr. Wendling noted the zoning changes in Sycamore Township where the Maisonette is planning on re-locating will most likely be denied. Mr. Wendling also reported that resident Paul Smiley, who works for the Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission, is going to work something up to present to Nat Comisar and we would try to get a meeting set up to pitch Silverton and the NE

corner of Montgomery and Plainfield as a possible site for the re-location of the Maisonette.

- 2.3. Mr. Wendling reported that he met with the Hamilton County Development Corporation and discussed the possibility of developing a Community Re-Investment Area in the downtown district. Mr. Wendling added there would be a fee involved if we used their services and he would like to look into it more before any decision was made. Mr. Wendling also made mention of developing a historic district, which would also require more research.

3. Office Re-Alignment

Mr. Wendling informed council he is planning on re-configuring the administrative and tax offices to allow for him to have an office where he can have some privacy and to bring the tax department employees together. The move will take place at the end of June.

4. Summer Concert Series

Mr. Wendling reported the Summer Concert Series has been scheduled as follows:

- June 17 – Appalachian Highway
- July 1 – Tropicoso
- July 22 – Soul4Sounds
- August 5 – Pam Noah and Her Swing Band

The concerts are at 7 p.m. in Ralph W. Ficke Memorial Park

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mary Wright inquired about expanding and renovating the Police Department. Mayor Siegel noted the project was put on hold so that the City could move forward with some much needed street repairs.

**ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilwoman Thompson motioned to adjourn to executive session to discuss property acquisition and was seconded by Councilman Smith. A roll call vote was taken. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**MOTION TO RECONVENE MEETING:**

Councilman Smith motioned to adjourn executive session and was seconded by Councilwoman Glover. All voted aye. Motion carried. Councilman Quarry joined the meeting during executive session.

Mr. Wendling requested a motion from council directing him to bid on certain Silverton Avenue properties at upcoming Hamilton County Sheriff sales. Councilman Morthorst motioned that the city manager or his designee be empowered to bid on two Silverton Avenue properties, specifically 6949 Silverton Avenue and 6952 Silverton Avenue, with a bid ceiling of \$75,000. Councilman Smith seconded. All voted aye. Motioned carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Morthorst made a motion for adjournment, which was seconded by Councilwoman Glover. All voted aye. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.

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Mary F. Shea  
Clerk Treasurer

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James L. Siegel  
Mayor

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Mark T. Wendling  
City Manager