

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

May 23, 2005

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee of the City of O'Fallon, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on May 23, 2005. CALL TO ORDER: Time: 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS Medford - X Reckamp -
West - X Drolet - X
Grogan -

STAFF LIAISON: Dean Rich, Dennis Sullivan, Aldermen True & Albrecht

Approval of the minutes from April 25, 2005

Item 1 SSA for Drury. The SSA for Drury is on temporary hold. The Drury engineers have determined they need to fill the mine tunnel running under the property. Mine subsidence is not usually a problem on a slab type of building, but with a seven-story facility, a small shift can cause major structural damage. The building would not collapse, but it could become uninhabitable. The estimated extra cost is in the \$1 million range and will bring the total for the SSA for Drury to approximately \$2.5 million. The process under consideration would require sinking a 180 ft. shaft every 12 feet across the width of the tunnel on each end. Fast drying cement would go down each shaft and form a retaining wall and then slurry concrete would be pumped in to fill the tunnel. Engineering testing and further core drilling should take two to three weeks. Attorney Kurt Froehlich will be in O'Fallon Wednesday, June 8 to review the project and prepare the SSA draft. (Open)

Item 2 Scott Mid-America Leadership Council. The four communities immediately surrounding Scott AFB wish to form an Intergovernmental Agreement and establish a Not-for-Profit Corporation. These four communities wish to join and support Scott AFB and voice their opinions regarding the operation of Mid-America Airport. The discussion covered the Bylaws, the intergovernmental agreement and the ordinance approving the agreement (all three attached). The cost is a one-time fee of \$1,000 per community for start-up fees, expenses and supplies. Committee discussion centered on the need for our four communities to have a voice and support organization for Scott and Mid-America, as we are the communities most closely associated with both. This organization will be able to make local input to the county and the regional Leadership Council and provide local support to the base and airport. **Motion to forward the ordinance** by Medford seconded by Drolet. All ayes.

Item 3 Review of FY2005. The annual audit is underway and revenue from Sales Tax, Prop S 1/2 cent Sales Tax and Income Tax was reviewed--all were up from the previous year. The cash for the beginning of the year was reduced by \$10,000,000 due to the completion of several

major projects. This year we completed the Public Safety Facility, the Automated Water Meter Project, purchased land for the Sports Park and completed the Nature Center in Rock Springs Park--we get the nature center money back over time from grants and Rotary donations. The increasing EAV has helped the city with \$476,245 this year and succeeding years. Discussion continues on the positive affect of this growth in EAV on the local school systems. District 90 Property Tax increased by \$1,658,719, District 104 by \$266,877 and District 203 by \$1,745,033 for a total of \$3,670,629 for this year. Over the next 20 years this year's increase in EAV will provide the schools of O'Fallon an additional amount well in excess of \$75 million.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:20 p.m. _____ PREPARED BY: Dean Rich _____
(time)