

**OWOSSO CITY COUNCIL**

**SEPTEMBER 7, 2010**

**7:30 P.M.**

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** MAYOR BENJAMIN R. FREDERICK

**OPENING PRAYER:** BURTON FOX

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** MICHAEL TILLOTSON

**PRESENT:** Mayor Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor Pro-Tem Cindy S. Popovitch, Councilpersons Thomas B. Cook, Michael J. Erfourth, Christopher T. Eveleth, Joni M. Forster, and Gary W. Martenis.

**ABSENT:** None.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2010**

Motion by Councilperson Cook to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 16, 2010 as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Forster and concurred in by unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 30, 2010**

Motion by Councilperson Cook to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 30, 2010 as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**OBSELETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION EXEMPTION – DAYSTARR DEVELOPMENT, LLC**

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment on the application for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Application from Daystarr Development, LLC for the property located at 307 North Ball Street.

The following people commented on the proposed abatement:

Collin Rose, president of Daystarr Development, LLC, explained the amendment to their application increasing the number of jobs created from zero to one saying the scope of the project changed.

Jed Dingens, architect for the project, indicated the project had gone out for bid and a proposal had come in at \$221,000, with \$103,000 dedicated to rehabilitation of the current 1<sup>st</sup> floor.

Justin Horvath, president of the SEDP, spoke about the tax abatement requirements and how the company fills those requirements.

There was significant discussion among Council members and staff regarding the idea of granting the number of years for the abatement based on the number of jobs to be created not necessarily the dollar investment for the project. There was concern about changing the rules for granting abatements half way through the process. Some members felt the policy needed to be changed to focus more on job creation while others felt the current policy needed to be tested for a longer period of time before considering any changes.

There was also discussion about whether the abatement applied to both rehabilitation and new construction.

Motion by Councilperson Cook to approve the requested abatement for a period of 6 years.

Motion supported by Councilperson Martenis.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Martenis, and Cook.

NAYS: Councilpersons Eveleth, Erfourth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, and Mayor Frederick.

The motion failed for lack of affirmative votes.

Motion by Councilperson Erfourth to authorize the following resolution approving a 12 year Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Certificate for Daystarr Development, LLC. for the property located at 307 North Ball Street.

**RESOLUTION NO. 95-2010**

**A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE  
THE APPLICATION FOR AN  
OBSOLETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE  
FROM DAYSTARR DEVELOPMENT, LLC  
FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT  
307 NORTH BALL**

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso is a Qualified Local Government Unit within the State of Michigan and is empowered to provide tax exemptions for increased value of rehabilitated facilities within the City; and

WHEREAS, after public notice and a public hearing on July 19, 2010, the City Council of the City of Owosso created an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District at 307 North Ball Street in Owosso, Michigan, on July 19, 2010, as provided by section 4(2) of Public Act 146 of 2000, said property more particularly described as:

*S 3/4 OF LOT 9 (EX W 40' OF S 22') ALSO N 6" OF E 82' OF LOT 12 BLK 13 ORIGINAL PLAT*

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has received an application from Daystarr Development, LLC, the owner of the property, for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate; and

WHEREAS, notice of a public hearing concerning the application for an exemption certificate was provided to the Assessor of the City and the legislative body of each taxing unit that levies ad valorem property taxes in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that the property meets the definition of an obsolete property as defined in section 2(h) of Public Act 146 of 2000 and the application for the exemption certificate is complete; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that the property relates to a rehabilitation program that when completed constitutes a "rehabilitated facility" within the meaning of P.A. 146 of 2000, and said property is located within an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District established in a Qualified Local Governmental Unit eligible under Public Act 146 of 2000 to establish such a district; and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation includes improvements aggregating 10% or more of the true cash value of the property at commencement of the rehabilitation as provided by section 2(l) of PA 146 of 2000; and

WHEREAS, it has been found that the rehabilitation of the obsolete property is calculated to, and will at the time of the issuance of the certificate, have the reasonable likelihood to increase commercial activity, retain and create employment, and revitalize the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the taxable value of the property proposed to be exempt plus the aggregate taxable value of the property already exempt under PA 146 of 2000 and under PA 198 of 1974 does not exceed 5% of the total taxable value of the unit; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is not delinquent in any taxes related to the facility; and

WHEREAS, the rehabilitation work described in the application had not commenced prior to the establishment of the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, based on the findings above made at public hearing, the City Council of the City of Owosso authorizes the application for an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption Certificate at 307 North Ball Street for a period of 12 years.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the rehabilitation shall be completed within eighteen (18) months from the date of approval of said application.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the application and resolution are authorized for submittal to the State Tax Commission for final review and authorization.

Motion supported by Councilperson Eveleth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Erfourth, Eveleth, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: Councilpersons Cook, Martenis, and Forster.

### **BMX PARK**

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment regarding the proposal to establish a BMX track next to the skate park on the corner of Wright and Allendale Avenues.

The following people addressed the Council regarding the proposed park:

Rick Morris, owner of House of Wheels and designer of the park, tried to clear up some confusion by indicating the track would be strictly for bicycles not motor bikes.

Burton Fox, 216 East Oliver Street, indicated the project would be inexpensive for the City and would be a nice addition to the parks system.

Mayor Frederick said it was nice to see this proposal coming to fruition.

Councilperson Martenis noted that Rick Morris along with other BMX enthusiasts would be designing the park. He also said there would be increased monitoring of the area by virtue of the fact parents bringing their children to the track to play.

Motion by Councilperson Martenis to proceed with the proposed BMX park at the corner of Allendale and Wright Avenues.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Cook, Erfourth, Martenis, Eveleth, Forster, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Collin Rose, president of Daystarr Development, LLC, thanked the Council for approving the tax abatement for his company.

Justin Horvath, president of the SEDP, commented on the lengthy discussion Council held on the abatement for Daystarr Development saying it was healthy. He also said it was important for businesses to know what they can expect when they apply for tax abatements.

Michael Tillotson, 1299 South Shiawassee Street, told of his recent trip to Washington DC.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, noted it will be nice to have a BMX park in town.

Councilperson Erfourth gave a report on the findings of the Medical Marijuana sub-committee saying the City Attorney would be developing regulations for the B-1 and Industrial zoning districts governing medical marijuana operations.

Councilperson Eveleth read aloud a statement from Beatrice Vajgart noting the upcoming Constitution Day. She asked for financial support for efforts to deliver a copy of the Constitution to each child in the Owosso and Corunna school districts. Approximately \$450 is needed.

Mayor Frederick thanked those that attended the Labor Day bridge walk event.

City Attorney William C. Brown noted that Consent #4 does not require a waiver of the insurance requirement as the DDA is covered by the City's insurance policy.

Councilperson Cook indicated he would like to pursue a revision of the Tax Abatement Policy in light of the discussion held earlier in the meeting. There was further discussion regarding this subject. It was agreed any interested Council member should draft a revision and bring it to Council for discussion at a later meeting.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Donald D. Crawford noted the Downtown Historic District had been formally established through the submission of paperwork to the State. He went on to say that the approval of façade improvements for 114 West Exchange Street to be considered later in the

meeting would now require the approval of the Downtown Historic District Commission before the project could proceed. Lastly he introduced the City's new Community Development Director/Assistant City Manager Adam Zettel.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Set Public Hearing. Set Public Hearing for September 20, 2010 to receive citizen comments regarding application from Hankerd Sportswear to establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District for the property located at 116 West Exchange Street as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 96-2010**

**SETTING PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING  
AN OBSOLETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION DISTRICT  
FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT  
116 WEST EXCHANGE STREET**

WHEREAS, request was received August 13, 2010 and Application for Tax Abatement on August 19, 2010, from Mr. John Hankerd of Hankerd Sportswear, to create a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, described as W 1/3 OF LOT 7 BLK 15 (EX N 12') ORIGINAL PLAT; and

WHEREAS, the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, Act 146 of 2000, is available to the city of Owosso; and

WHEREAS, the act permits the city of Owosso to establish a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District; and

WHEREAS, a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District may consist of one or more parcels of land; and

WHEREAS, it must be determined that the district must consist of obsolete commercial property or commercial housing property as defined in 125.2782, Section 2 (h) of Act 146 of 2000; and

WHEREAS, it must be determined that establishing the district would be beneficial to the city of Owosso, as well as local and regional economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

FIRST: the Owosso City Council sets public hearing for September 20, 2010 on or about 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers for the purpose of hearing comments from those within the proposed district, and any other resident or taxpayer, of the city of Owosso; and

SECOND: the city clerk gives the notifications as required by law; and

THIRD: the city staff is directed to investigate and determine if the qualifications of the act are satisfied and report findings at the hearing.

Set Public Hearing. Set Public Hearing for September 20, 2010 to receive citizen comments regarding application from Richard Merling to establish an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District for the property located at 1302 West Main Street as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 97-2010**

**SETTING PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING  
AN OBSOLETE PROPERTY REHABILITATION DISTRICT  
1302 WEST MAIN STREET**

WHEREAS, request was received September 1, 2010 along with an Application for Tax Abatement from Richard Merling, to create a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District, described as SEC 14 COM ON N LN OF MAIN ST ON W LN OF AARR R/W W 170' N 141' E 45' SE'LY ALG RR 189'4" TO BEG; and

WHEREAS, the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act, Act 146 of 2000, is available to the city of Owosso; and

WHEREAS, the act permits the city of Owosso to establish a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District; and

WHEREAS, a Obsolete Property Rehabilitation District may consist of one or more parcels of land; and

WHEREAS, it must be determined that the district must consist of obsolete commercial property or commercial housing property as defined in 125.2782, Section 2 (h) of Act 146 of 2000; and

WHEREAS, it must be determined that establishing the district would be beneficial to the city of Owosso, as well as local and regional economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: the Owosso City Council sets public hearing for September 20, 2010 on or about 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers for the purpose of hearing comments from those within the proposed district, and any other resident or taxpayer, of the city of Owosso; and
- SECOND: the city clerk gives the notifications as required by law; and
- THIRD: the city staff is directed to investigate and determine if the qualifications of the act are satisfied and report findings at the hearing.

Set Public Hearing. Set Public Hearing for September 20, 2010 to receive citizen comments regarding application from TAP Enterprises, Incorporated for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate for the property located at 534 West Main Street as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 98-2010**

**SETTING PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPLICATION  
FOR COMMERCIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE  
FOR T.A.P. ENTERPRISES, INC.  
(HARDEES AT 534 EAST MAIN STREET)**

WHEREAS, application was received August 24, 2010, dated August 16, 2010, from T.A.P. Enterprises Inc. for a Commercial Facilities Exemption Certificate, consisting of Lots 1,2,3,4 and 5, Block 1, of Dewey and Stewarts Addition to the city of Owosso; and

WHEREAS, the Commercial Redevelopment Act, Act 255 of 1978, amended by Act 227 of 2008, is available to the city of Owosso; and

WHEREAS, the act permits the city of Owosso to establish a commercial redevelopment district; and

WHEREAS, a commercial redevelopment district was established May 3, 2010; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: the Owosso City Council sets public hearing for September 20, 2010 on or about 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers for the purpose hearing comments for those within the district, and any other resident or taxpayer, of the city of Owosso; and
- SECOND: the city clerk gives the notifications as required by law; and
- THIRD: the city staff is directed to investigate and determine if the qualifications of the act are satisfied and report findings at the hearing.

Owosso Main Street Permission. Approved application of Owosso Main Street for use of Main Street Plaza and various downtown streets in the months of September, October, and November of 2010 and authorized Traffic Control Order No. 1246 formalizing the request. (As noted previously this request does not require a waiver of the insurance requirement as Owosso Main Street/DDA is covered under the City's insurance policy.)

Program Guidelines. Authorized the Program Guidelines in support of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 99-2010\***

**ADOPTING PROGRAM GUIDELINES IN SUPPORT OF THE  
MSHDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOUSING PROGRAM (MSC-2009-  
0037-HO) FOR THE CITY OF OWOSSO  
DATED JULY 2010**

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso applied for and has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) MSC-2009-0037-HO) to be used to fund a targeted homeowner rehabilitation program inn the downtown neighborhoods target area; and

WHEREAS, to receive and administer the grant the city of Owosso much adopt and agree to comply with the *Program Guidelines in Support of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program (MSC-2009-0037-HO) for the City of Owosso* dated July 2010.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, SHIAWASSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN THAT:

- FIRST: The attached *Program Guidelines in Support of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program (MSC-2009-0037-HO) for the City of Owosso* dated July 2010 are adopted.
- SECOND: The city clerk, program administrator and any other city official be authorized to execute any documents necessary to certify adoption and implementation.

Bid Award. Accepted low bid from Sunburst Gardens, Inc. for an irrigation system and trees for the Washington Street streetscape in the amount of \$14,175.00 and approved payment up to that amount as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO.100-2010**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT  
FOR TREES AND AN IRRIGATION SYSTEM  
FOR WASHINGTON STREET AND EXCHANGE STREET  
WITH SUNBURST GARDENS, INC.**

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso was awarded a \$1 million grant from the State of Michigan in 2007 to beautify the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso has seen the improvement and beautification of parks, facades, and parking lots as a result of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso wishes to continue this beautification and improvement effort through the purchase of trees and an irrigation system for Washington Street and East Exchange Street in the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso sought bids for installation of the trees and irrigation system; a bid was received from Sunburst Gardens, Inc.; and it is hereby determined that Sunburst Gardens, Inc. is qualified to provide such services and that it has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The city of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to employ Sunburst Gardens, Inc. for the purchase and installation of trees and an irrigation system on Washington Street and East Exchange Street in the downtown.
- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the document substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, Contract for Services Between the City of Owosso, Michigan and Sunburst Gardens, Inc., with a \$14,175.00 bid.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the Main Street Bond Fund.

Purchase Authorization. Authorized the purchase of 30 benches and 25 trash receptacles for the downtown from Superior Play, LLC in the amount of \$66,680.00 and approved payment up to that amount as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 101-2010**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF  
A PURCHASE ORDER WITH  
SUPERIOR PLAY, LLC  
FOR STREET FURNITURE**

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso was awarded a \$1 million grant from the State of Michigan in 2007 to beautify the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso has seen the improvement and beautification of parks, facades, and parking lots as a result of this grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso wishes to continue this beautification and improvement effort through the purchase of 30 benches and 25 trash receptacles for the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso received a quote from Superior Play, LLC, a firm that will supply and deliver the 30 benches and 25 trash receptacles requested.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to purchase 30 benches and 25 trash receptacles from Superior Play, LLC, waiving any bid irregularities.
- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the document substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, Contract for Purchase Between the City of Owosso, Michigan and Superior Play, LLC in the amount of \$66,680.00.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the Vibrant Small Cities Initiative Community Development Block Grant Fund.

Payment Authorization. Authorized Progress Payment No. 1 to the Michigan Department of Transportation for the City's share of work completed on the replacement of water main along South M52 from Main Street to Gute Street in the amount of \$50,198.61 as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 102-2010**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO  
THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FOR WORK COMPLETED ON  
THE SOUTH M-52 WATER MAIN INSTALLATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, entered into a cost sharing agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for replacement of water main on South M-52 between Main Street and Gute Street; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the work on this project has been completed and is now eligible for payment; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Transportation has requested reimbursement for the City's share of the work completed to August 5, 2010.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The city of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to reimburse the Michigan Department of Transportation for eligible funds spent in the course of installing the water main.
- SECOND: The accounts payable department is authorized to submit payment to the Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$50,198.61 as detailed on the attached Payment Request as authorized by Council on September 7, 2010.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the Major Street Fund.

Warrant No. 409. Accepted Warrant No. 409 as follows:

Vendor	Description	Fund	Amount
Netarx, LLC	Networking Engineering Support July 2010	General	\$6,783.00
BS&A Software	Second installment of software applications	General/ Water/Sewer	\$27,807.50
BS&A Software	Annual Service/Support Fees	General/ Water/Sewer	\$10,650.00

Motion supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Erfourth, Cook, Forster, Eveleth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilperson Martenis and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

\* Full text of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program Guidelines is available in the Clerk's Office.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**BID AWARD – FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS 114 WEST EXCHANGE STREET**

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to accept low bid from DA Johnston Construction, Inc. for façade improvements at 114 West Exchange Street in the amount of \$57,997.00 contingent upon plan approval from the Downtown Historic District Commission as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 103-2010**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR  
FAÇADE IMPROVEMENTS AT 114 WEST EXCHANGE STREET  
WITH D.A. JOHNSTON CONSTRUCTION, INC.**

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has received a \$1 million grant from the State of Michigan to beautify the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the city has determined that a portion of those funds would be dedicated to façade improvements of buildings downtown; and

WHEREAS, Sobaks Home Health Care at 114 West Exchange Street has applied for grant funds to share in the cost of improving the façade of their building; and

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso sought bids for construction of the façade at 114 West Exchange Street; and it is hereby determined that D.A. Johnston Construction, Inc. is qualified to provide such services and this it has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The city of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to employ D.A. Johnston Construction, Inc. for façade improvements at 114 West Exchange Street.
- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the document substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, Contract for Services Between the City of Owosso, Michigan and D.A. Johnston Construction, Inc. with a \$57,997.00 bid.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be shared by the property owner and the VSCI Grant.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Erfourth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Martenis, Eveleth, Cook, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

**PROPERTY LEASE – OSBURN LAKES PRIVATE PARK**

It was noted that no other offers for the property were received since the proposal had been posted.

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the lease of City-owned property located in the Osburn Lakes Single Family Condominium Development to the Osburn Lakes Residential Site Condominium Association as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 104-2010\***

**AUTHORIZING APPROVING A LEASE OF PROPERTY WITH  
THE OSBURN LAKES RESIDENTIAL SITE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION  
FOR A PRIVATE PARK**

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, owns lots 57 and 58 located at 1180 & 1190 Bluestem Court, respectively;

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso received a request from the Osburn Lakes Residential Site Condominium Association to lease lots 57 & 58;

WHEREAS, on July 19, 2010 the city council approved a 21 day posting period to the receive citizen comment and competitive offers for the property; and

WHEREAS, no offers were received within given time.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, SHIAWASSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN THAT:

FIRST: The attached lease agreement is hereby approved.

SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the lease agreement.

Motion supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Erfourth, Martenis, Forster, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Eveleth, Cook, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

\* Full text of the lease is available in the Clerk's Office.

### **FAYETTE SQUARE PARK MONUMENT ADDITIONS**

Mayor Frederick outlined the proposal to add two new monuments to the war memorial in Fayette Square Park, one for the Korean War and one for the Vietnam War. The plan was previously approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission as well as the Veteran's Committee. Funds have been secured for the Korean War monument while money is being raised for the Vietnam monument as well as benches which will be placed near the memorial. The Mayor asked that monies for the Korean War monument be released immediately and monies for the Vietnam War monument and benches be released when sufficient funds are raised.

Motion by Councilperson Cook to approve the purchase and placement of an additional monument memorializing the Korean War in Fayette Square Park, along with the purchase and placement of a monument for the Vietnam War and benches when funds permit.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Eveleth, Martenis, Erfourth, Forster, Cook, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, and Mayor Frederick.

NAYS: None.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Owosso Main Street/Downtown Development Authority. Minutes of Meeting of August 4, 2010.

Owosso Planning Commission. Minutes of Meeting of August 23, 2010.

Westown Corridor Improvement Authority. Minutes of Meeting of August 11, 2010.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Jerry Alcorn, 637 Water Street, clarified that Fayette Square organizers are looking for the names of those in the Owosso postal code that were killed in the Korean War or the Vietnam War for inclusion on the approved monuments.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, said people could contact the local Disabled American Veterans chapter with information. He also announced the essay contest being held by the DAV for youth in Shiawassee County.

Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch expressed her appreciation for those that did not burn during school hours now that school has started.

Councilperson Cook reminded everyone of the first home football game this Friday.

### **NEXT MEETING**

September 20, 2010

### **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth for adjournment at 8:47 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

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Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor

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Amy K. Kohagen, City Clerk