

**CITY COUNCIL QUESTIONS/COMMENTS  
COUNCIL AGENDA FOR JULY 25, 2011  
AS OF JULY 25, 2011 AT 8:13 AM**

**Councilman:** Bernie Anderson

**Item:** 6C- Appointment to the Planning Commission

**Question/Comment:** “Am I correctly reading this to say there are three open seats on the Planning Commission?”

**Staff Response:** If Mr. Pearson is appointed this evening, there will be two (2) open seats left on the Planning Commission.

**Councilman:** David Sage

**Item:** 8C – Analysis of Proposals for Architectural/Engineering Design

**Question/Comment:** “During a recent meeting between staff, me, and Councilman Anderson on Vendor Performance/Metrics, you mentioned changes that Jim Karch and Public Works had made to their contracts. Changes that I believe have made vendors more accountable for quality performance. As I believe the lack of performance around the Police Garage could generate some discussion, would you (City Manager Hales) consider letting Jim Karch proactively comment (3-5 mins. Max) on what his team has done to make vendors more accountable? I believe this is yet another example where we can compare and contrast the way things were once done and the way things are done now. I’m a fan of always highlighting the cultural and process changes you and your team has made, resulting in better spending of taxpayer money.”

**Staff Response:** Staff continues to work on the Vendor Performance/Metrics. David Hales would prefer to postpone a discussion of inspection reforms to a later date at a Council Work Session.

**Councilman:** Bernie Anderson

**Item:** 8C – Analysis of Proposals for Architectural/Engineering Design

**Question/Comment:** “Skipping CD (Broken Record). We have to contract future projects with consequences of premature failed work. I am hoping discussion includes this.”

**Staff Response:** Staff will be available to answer any questions the best that they can.

**Councilman:** Rob Fazzini

**Item:** 8D – Purchase of a 2012 Fire Engine

**Question/Comment:** “The financing for the fire engine indicated payment over a five year period, but there were no details regarding the way it would be financed or the terms of the financing. Will this be a tax exempt bond?”

**Staff Response:** The City has issued an RFP (Request for Proposals) for the taxable lease of multiple pieces of city equipment in accordance with the FY2012 budget. The City is using the taxable lease option because the City’s Bond Counsel (Chapman and Cutler) recommended this approach.

**Councilman:** Bernie Anderson

**Item:** 8D – Purchase of a 2012 Fire Engine

**Question/Comment:** “Informational Question. We looked at leasing vs. purchasing; please refresh our minds with the option!”

**Staff Response:** The Fire Engine is one piece of equipment that will be leased through this option. RFPs (Request for Proposals) are due by the end of July to the City. It is expected that a proposal will be recommended to the Council on August 8<sup>th</sup>. As part of the RFP, bidders were notified that the City was purchasing equipment that would be covered beneath this lease. The Fire Engine was one of the pieces of equipment.

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**Additional Council Questions/Comments Not on Meeting Agenda**

**Councilman:** Rob Fazzini

**Question/Comment:** “My notes regarding the Electric Vehicles at the recent work session indicated this would come to the City Council meeting on July 25<sup>th</sup> for vote, but I did not see this on the Agenda.”

**Staff Response:** Staff wanted to ensure that they had sufficient information in order to write the Council Memo. Item will be on the August 8, 2011 Council Agenda.

**Councilman:** Rob Fazzini

**Question/Comment:** “David and I discussed a Sustainability Policy coming to City Council for discussion along with a COOL CITY portion, but I did not see this on the Agenda.”

**Staff Response:** The U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement and the Cool City initiative are closely tied together. Staff has determined that endorsing the U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement and becoming a member of the Sierra Club’s Cool Cities Campaign will require additional resources to implement (e.g. inventory the City’s global warming emissions, get reduction targets, create an action plan, etc.). Consequently, the City Manager will place this topic on a future City Council work session for discussion.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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