City of Moorhead Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes October 25, 2010 at 8:30 PM City Hall Council Chambers

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, on October 25, 2010, at 8:30 PM.

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

1st Ward Council Member:	Luther Stueland	Present
1st Ward Council Member:	Nancy Otto	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Diane Wray Williams	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Mark Altenburg	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Dan Hunt	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Brenda Elmer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Mark Hintermeyer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Greg Lemke	Present
Mayor:	Mark Voxland	Present

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Mayor Voxland called the meeting to order.

1. Campus Area Parking Discussion

Minutes:

Michael Redlinger, City Manager, stated that City staff is seeking direction from the Mayor and City Council regarding an interest in formulating a proposed scope of work to conduct campus area parking analysis.

City staff clarified the following in response to Mayor and Council questions:

- An in-depth inventory of each campus would be conducted.
- The City would seek to contract with an outside agent to conduct this analysis.
- Analysis would be in partnership with all three local higher education institutions as funding partners and participatory agents.
- Jefferson Bus Line is a new service addition that connects several Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. City staff has recently clarified with the bus line that they are to commute only along on 6th Avenue or 14th and 11th Streets.

The Mayor and Council members noted the following:

- Concern was noted regarding the removal of two-hour parking slots surrounding campus areas.
- The following information would be helpful in formulating a campus area parking plan: total number of students, students living on campus, parking permits sold, cost of parking permits, and

designated staff parking areas.

- A comprehensive survey of the neighborhood would be ideal.
- Researching how other communities handle campus parking issues may be beneficial.
- A consideration of angle parking in some areas may be a possibility.
- Concern was noted that there is not student representation on the MSUM parking committee.
- Incentivizing carpooling may be beneficial.
- There appears to be some inconsistency on signage surrounding the campus areas.
- It may be beneficial to explore an alternating Street/Avenue parking option.
- A request was made to include Public Housing facility, Sharpview, as part of the parking analysis.
- It was suggested that issues of snow removal also be considered in relation to parking.
- It may be beneficial to utilize smaller commuter busses as part of Mass Transit.

The City Manager stated that City staff will take these issues and previous examination of parking issues under consideration to provide the Mayor and City Council with a proposed scope of work to conduct campus area parking analysis.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:

Mark Voxland

Mayor

Jill Wenger City Clerk

The proceedings of this meeting are digitally recorded and are available for public review.

Respectfully submitted by: Jill Wenger, City Clerk