

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, November 17, 1999

The Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, November 17, 1999 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman Bill Hancock; with the following present: Chair Pro Tem Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Commissioner Carolyn McGinn; Commissioner Ben Sciortino; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Mr. David C. Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director of Communications; Mr. Brad Snapp, Director of Housing Office, Division of Community Development; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Community Development; Ms. Susan Erlinwein, Director, Department of Environmental Resources; Mr. Ray Ontriveros, Principal Planner, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Ms. Marci Hess, Director, Government Relations; Ms. Jennifer Magana, Assistant County Counselor; Mr. Tom Pollan, Director, EMS (Emergency Medical Services); Ms. Marilyn Cook, Assistant Director, COMCARE (Comprehensive Community Care); Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum; and Ms. Heather J. Knoblock, Deputy County Clerk.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Bishop James Stewart of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners are present.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, October 20, 1999
Regular Meeting, October 27, 1999

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of October 20th and 27th, 1999.

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to defer the Consideration of Minutes for one week.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. At this time, I would like to take two Off Agenda Items."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to take two Off Agenda Items.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. The first one deals with a Proclamation. Commissioner Gwin."

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OFF AGENDA ITEM

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I didn't have a chance to talk to you all about this, and we don't have it written, but, Saturday night, at the Wings game, one of the long time Wings players will have his jersey retired. I would like us to proclaim Saturday as 'Kris Peat Day' in Sedgwick County. After Kristi and I get the words written up, then I will bring it back up for your acceptance of the verbiage. But, if we could go ahead and take action today, then I will present that Saturday night at the game."

Chairman Hancock said, "Fantastic."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to proclaim Saturday, as 'Kris Peak Day' and authorize the Chairman to sign the Proclamation.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. This coming Saturday night?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "Yes. This Saturday night at the Wings game. He played and goaled for the Wings for 10 years and retired after last season and currently coaches at The University of Denver. He and his family will be back."

Chairman Hancock said, "Fantastic. You are all invited."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Yeah. It will be fun. Come and join us."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. The next item is a waiver of policy to hire an Administrative

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Assistant, working title, Government Relations Assistant, at range 18, step 4.”

Ms. Jane Moralez, Compensation Specialist, Department of Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, “I am here today to request your approval to hire a Government Relations Assistant, range 18, step 4. This applicant demonstrates exceptional qualifications skills and knowledge for this position. The staffing table does have an open position for a range 18. I would recommend your approval.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Jane. Commissioners, questions? If not, Chair would entertain a Motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to take the recommended action.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Jane. Now that we have you thoroughly confused, Clerk, Item A, please.”

PUBLIC HEARING

- A. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTINUATION OF A SINGLE-FAMILY MORTGAGE LOAN PROGRAM OF SEDGWICK COUNTY AND SHAWNEE COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING JOINT ISSUANCE OF SINGLE-FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS.**

Mr. Brad Snapp, Director of Housing Office, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, “As you remember, the 1998 Resolution authorizing Sedgwick County to act as

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a joint issuer with Shawnee County in the Single Family Mortgage Revenue Bond recycling program expires at the end of this month.

“Before you today is a request to adopt a Resolution to continue this Mortgage Revenue Bond Recycling Program, as draw down series 1999A. This program captures mortgage bond loan prepayments and recycles them for issuance with the State Allocation. Half of the \$70,000,000 that was issued this last July was from this recycled program.

“In the past three months, over \$2,000,000.00 has been recycled in this way. Federal law requires that a public hearing be held prior to the adoption of a Resolution. Once you open the public hearing, if there are no unfavorable comments, I request the Commission close the hearing and adopt the Resolution. If you have any questions, I have Chuck Bouilly with George K. Balm to answer them for you.”

Chairman Hancock said, “What about you, Brad?”

Mr. Snapp said, “I am a little bit . . . Chuck is a little more experienced.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Okay. Thank you. Commissioners, questions for Chuck or Brad? If not, at this time I will open this Meeting for public comment relative to Item A on our Agenda today. Is there anyone here who would like to address this item? Is there anyone who would like to address Item A on our Agenda this morning? If not, I will close the public hearing and Commissioners, comments. If not, Chair would entertain a Motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Brad. Thank you, Chuck, for being here today. Next item, please."

NEW BUSINESS

B. DISCUSSION REGARDING FRANCHISING OF SOLID WASTE COLLECTION.

Ms. Susan Erlenwein, Director, Department of Environmental Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, "One month ago, I presented information to the Commission on the various components of the Solid Waste Plan. One of the those components included the issue of how collection of solid waste will be handled. The Solid Waste Plan has that the collection of solid waste, from residents, should be the free market system, which is what we have today. That means that any home owner can call the hauler of their choice to pick up the trash from their residence. After my presentation on the Solid Waste Plan, some questions were raised as to other methods of collection of solid waste from the households, specifically, franchising of solid waste collection.

"We worked with a national firm, HDR Engineering, Inc., to look at how other communities franchise, and to help answer some of your questions on the advantages and disadvantages of franchising. HDR wrote a report, and I would like to briefly review that report with you today. The franchising can be defined as the right or license granted to one or more companies to collect waste in a specific geographic area. How that differs from what we have today, is, as I mentioned, we have free market, you or I could call the hauler of our choice, so can your neighbor, and their neighbor, so, we could have several trash trucks going down our road to collect trash. Under franchise system, one company would have that geographic area, you would have one company going down the road collecting the trash. This leads to some advantages from economies upscale. If one truck is going down the road, they have less time in collecting each persons trash, since they are picking up each person's house along that block. So, less time can equate to lower costs in trash collection. So, it is an efficiency factor.

"Another advantage is the fact that you have less wear and tear on the roads because you have fewer trucks going up and down the block. This can also lead to a reduction in error admissions because of fewer trucks and some communities have found that it is an increase in safety factor because you have less traffic, less trucks blocking the road. So, we have talked to some communities and they say we have more control over pricing, and actually, the amount of services that can be delivered. Certain communities have added such services as curb side recycling, and yard waste collection to their franchise system.

"But, there are also disadvantages to franchising trash collection. If you look at our present situation, we have over 20 haulers in our community, whom you can call to pick up your waste.

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“If we went to a franchise system, depending on how we split it into geographic areas, some of those haulers may not receive a franchise and therefore would not be able to pick up trash in our area and if it is a smaller, local hauler, that could put them totally out of business. So that is a disadvantage. Also, some people in our community feel that they like the freedom of choice. They like the ability to call a hauler and say I want you to pick up our trash and if you are not doing a good service, I can call someone else and replace you. Also, some customers like the ability to say I want trash picked up by my house instead of taking it out to the curb. So, I like the ability to call people and find out who can give me what I want for my service.

“Despite these disadvantages, over thousands of communities in the United States franchise for the collection of trash. I can give you one example, Kent County, Delaware, franchised a certain geographic area in their community. They have unfranchised areas and franchised areas. The franchised area has twice a week pick up for \$10.48 a month, the unfranchised area has once a week pick up for \$21.48 a month. So, clearly, that community is seeing a cost savings due to the economy of scale and the efficiency of picking up every house on the block. I could give you examples of other communities, but it is hard to make direct comparisons of our situation with other communities. Many communities have been franchising for over 20 years. We are looking at it today, in 1999 dollars. So, it is hard to make a comparison of before franchising and after, to see what cost saving occurred.

“Also, we have other situations we must take into account, such as local laws. Each state and community have laws that govern the collection of solid waste. In our particular situation, there is a Kansas State Statute, 65.34.10, that says that any county or city can contract for the collection of solid waste. What this means is that Sedgwick County can go out in the unincorporated areas and franchise for the collection of waste. Each city in Sedgwick County can do the same thing. If we went out to the unincorporated areas and franchise, we would lose the economy upscale, because of how spread out the residents are in the unincorporated areas. It’s much better to franchise within a city limit or the entire county. But, 65.34.10 makes this a very complicated issue, since we can not go out and tell a city you must franchise. We would have to enter interlocal agreements with these cities. Some of these cities in Sedgwick County already have contracts for collection within their city limits. So, many cities are doing this already. Wichita has contracts with all of the haulers. Smaller cities, like Cheney and Mt. Hope have contracts with individual haulers to come into their communities.

“So, because of the laws in our area, franchising becomes a complicated issue and it’s not easy for the County to just go out and say, we want to franchise. There are other things we can look at. Irene Hart is here to help talk about some of the ways we can address this issue. Irene is the Director of Community Development for Sedgwick County.”

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Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, “We have taken the information provided to us by the consultant and shared that, not only with you, but we are offering to share that information with the cities in Sedgwick County. We have made contact with the ALARM Group. They have agreed, tentatively, to have a workshop at their December 18th Meeting. We would also invite other cities that are not members of the ALARM Group and put together a couple of hour workshop that provides this information, perhaps has the cities that currently contract, talk about their experience and give information to all the cities at the same time about what their options are, and what they could, perhaps, if they wanted to contract or franchise, some of the options that they could include in their bids, in the request for proposals.

“I would be happy to answer any questions on that but Susan can certainly answer any questions on the technical aspects of the report that was provided.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Okay. Thank you, Irene. There is a question. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. First I’ll start off with Susan. I think we need to clear the air on a couple of items. First of all, the freedom of choice. I don’t want to mislead the public. You stated that there were over 20, and I believe that is correct, independent haulers and that individual citizens can call anyone they wish to have them pick up their trash, and that’s not true, is it?”

Ms. Erlenwein said, “There are haulers, and you may have two national haulers in our area and they would service the entire county. A lot of the smaller haulers maybe very geographic specific. If you lived on the east side of town, a hauler that services the west side of town may not to willing, or have the resources to go to the east side of town.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “What I don’t want to mislead the public into thinking they have 20 haulers in which to choose from. Because, I personally called almost all of them, without letting them know who I was, and the majority of them indicated they could not service my area because they don’t have a route out in my area, at this time. So, the freedom of choice is really minimized, basically, to two major haulers, and there is probably one other hauler that might entertain coming out but total freedom of choice, there is not 20 to which to choose from.”

Ms. Erlenwein said, “That is correct.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Now, I read this report, also, there is two items that it says, I’ll just quote from it, “Cities and county typically experience two major benefits when they franchise their waste

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collection service areas. Higher levels of service and significantly lower costs”. That was boiling down the entire report.”

Ms. Erlinwein said, “That is correct.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I think, I don’t know if the County Attorney would agree with your summation that we do not have the right to franchise County wide. That has not been determined, and I believe there is a little difference of opinion there. That was my latest comment. So, to state that we don’t have the right, I don’t know if we’ve determined that.”

Ms. Erlinwein said, “From Statute 65.34.10, indicates that cities or counties can contract for waste collections. So, according to that statute, you’d have to then see if you wanted to go into legal issues of tracking that down, seeing how other laws are out there to balance that.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Okay. That’s all I have.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions or comments? Pretty quiet bunch this morning. Susan, anything else?”

Ms. Erlinwein said, “What staff would like to recommend is that we keep the Solid Waste Plan recommendation of the Free Market System the way it is today, and maybe go out and just educate cities on the fact that they can already contract for companies coming into the community, as Irene mentioned.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Okay. Thank you. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Just a thought, with the Solid Waste Fee that folks have been calling about, that they got on their tax bill, we indicate that we are going to use some of that money to kind of put pilot projects together. Like the disposal of yard waste, leaves and those likes of things, so that we can test it and see how it works.

“Irene, as you go out and talk to the communities, and let me know if you are out in my district, might we be able to consider or offer a pilot project, wherein one of those communities might be our Guinea Pig, if you will, for a franchise system and for a set period of time test it, see what the positives are, see what the negatives are, get feed back from the people, either in a neighborhood or that city, and kind of compare and contrast that to where we are now. I want to do that voluntarily. Given the feedback we have gotten, I don’t know that we want to force that on someone but, I think it would be an interesting test to see what kind of services they received as compared to the previous and what kind of trash rates they have, as compared to previous.”

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Ms. Erlenwein said, "And if they are satisfied with the service and how complaints were handled."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Right. Sure. And how do you deal with complaints and those kind of things. It might be worth just a test, maybe if not for something happening now, then something in the future might come from that."

Ms. Erlenwein said, "Yes, we can look into that."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Irene, when is your presentation date to ALARM?"

Ms. Hart said, "Tentatively, it's December 18th. That is their December meeting. That would be a Saturday morning."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Yes, that would be."

Ms. Hart said, "And I am sure you all are welcome to come. Not speaking on behalf of ALARM, but, I think they are always glad to see you."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Alright, thank you, Irene. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Irene, the one thing, I applaud that idea of a workshop where the cities . . . let me make my position very clear, regardless of whether Sedgwick County is determined to have the right to mandate and to force franchising within and without incorporated communities of Sedgwick County. I do not favor us mandating franchising. I do and am in very much favor, of educating the communities, letting them share in the research that we have done with regards to franchising, and let them decide themselves whether or not franchising would be in the best interest of their citizens. I don't like the word Guinea Pig. But, I also know that Andale has gone to franchising, and I believe that the fee that they were able to contract is \$10 a month. Cheney has gone to franchising, Mount Hope has gone to franchising, Valley Center has gone to franchising. So, there is already communities out there that have decided that franchising is in the best interest of their community. I don't know what it means by testing or voluntary, because the city either enters into a franchising agreement with a hauler, and there is contractual obligations in the franchise and it's for a finite period of time. I don't know if the city would willing to disrupt from the free enterprise and test it for 6 months and kick everybody out.

"So, you are either going to franchise or your not going to franchise. I think that we can share this report, in total, with the cities and just let them decide their our destiny. I, personally, feel it's a concept worth looking at. This idea of significant lower costs impress me because it could be a way of diminishing, maybe,

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any negative increase in costs that might occur because of the concept that we are going to be doing. I think it is worth having the cities take a look at. I, personally, am not in favor and would not support, regardless if it's legal or not, mandating and forcing franchising within and without the incorporated communities. Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Very good. Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. When I first wanted to start looking at this and it's because of all the things we have already said, we have looked at other communities our size, they have gone to this, they have been doing this for some time, the studies indicate that franchising, it reduces the cost, it decreases the fuel admissions, it decreases the wear and tear on the roads, and as I answered calls and explained this to people who were concerned about their freedom of choice, then they started being concerned about these other things as well. So, I think it is an education process. And, thank you, Commissioner Sciortino, for pointing out the freedom of choice of haulers. Some of them have come to me and visited and they have already decided what areas they are going to serve and so I don't think that we have the 25 or 30 that are in the phone book. So, again, my only hope to look at this was to decrease the cost and decrease fuel admissions and the wear and tear on our city streets.

"Irene, I am glad that you are going out to the communities to share this information we have gathered. We have the benefit of having an Environmental Resource person on our staff. I would like to share that expertise with our other small communities. If you are my district, I would like to know. Back to this mandating, I think it's better to show success stories. If we can, maybe a small community has a success story in this area but, I don't want to just limit it to that, either, we know also that in the City of Wichita, homeowners association have done that. I am just wondering if maybe we shouldn't just branch out and if there is a neighborhood association out there that would like to hear this, as well, that we would provide that information. Thank you."

Ms. Hart said, "That is a good idea."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "The one thing, Irene, that I might recommend, assuming that this is going to be interesting enough for 19 communities to want to send representatives to the ALARM Meeting, would it be appropriate that maybe we offer to host it? Because, normally those meetings, depending on what city is hosting it, they are in a very small room, and if there is a lot of interest, it's going to be very difficult to . . . some of the rooms wouldn't even allow for audio/ visual. And maybe, just offer ALARM a venue that we could have here at the County somewhere, I'm thinking right now, the jury room, or some area where you could have enough room to accommodate other interested citizens and plus have room for audio/visual and we might even throw in a few donuts and coffee to make it more attractive to them. Just an idea."

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Ms. Hart said, "I think it is a great idea."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Don't forget our Education Center, the Extension Office. That would be a good place to do that type of thing."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yes, it would. I would encourage you to consider that."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Well, I guess I'm confused. I still have been, and continue to be a supporter of the plan that we developed over how ever many years it was, more than one, in which we developed our Solid Waste Plan that we submitted to KDHE (Kansas Department of Health and Environment). I am still pretty much in agreement with that.

"I certainly was supportive of when Commissioners said 'well lets take a look at this franchising thing again' and so now we have done that over the last probably 60 days but I'm not clear what we found out, what we decided to do. So, I guess what we decided that we are going to stick to our original plan as it is, basically a free market plan and then if individual cities in the county decides they want to be involved with franchising, then they can? And in the process, we know that Wichita has contracts with over 20 haulers that last for another 7-8 years. So, that then is an indication of what is going to happen with the City of Wichita, but then we are going to try to leave it open for other cities. So, are we committed to franchising or are we committed to free market or what are we . . . I guess I'm confused."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Let me, maybe I could help end some of your confusion. I don't think there is support on this Board to go forward with mandating franchising. I think the communities within Sedgwick County have always had the option to individually franchise. So, on the surface, I don't think we are recommending any change in our plan but I think what we are talking about now, exposing the other communities, the other 19 communities.

"With the research that we have done on the benefits of franchising, I would like to see a consideration, I'll use Derby as an example since it is my community, if Derby would decide that franchising was the way to go, I would like to open up an interlocal agreement where they might even service their area of influence, taking into consideration the homes in the unincorporated areas, close to Derby, and maybe we join with them and have one franchising area there in Haysville, etc., and so forth, so that some of the homes in the immediate vicinity of the incorporated areas might share in the benefits of higher levels of service and significantly reducing their cost. I didn't hear anything from the Board that would indicate that we are going to go forward and mandate franchising."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner McGinn."

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Commissioner McGinn said, "I was just going to share the same thing. I feel like we are going to go ahead and move forward with the Solid Waste Committees plan in which you have approved but we are still going to continue to look at ways to reduce cost and we are going to provide this information to our small communities. So, I see it more as an education and an option to take if they want to."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. So, I guess to recap then, and without trying to speak for the City of Wichita, but we can see by the fact that they have multi-year contracts with haulers that those are not going to change?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Yeah."

Commissioner Winters said, "So, Wichita is most likely going to be operating as it is?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "As I understand it, they have contracted, I believe there was an ordinance passed in 1997, where they waved their right to even consider franchising until the year 2007. So, I don't see Wichita even having an option to consider franchising, at least till the year 2007."

Commissioner Winters said, "So, other cities, and you mentioned Derby, then it would be up to their City Council to decide whether they wanted to explore that or not?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Correct. Hopefully, they would have enough interest to come to the workshop that Irene would be putting forth and then they could make a decision on their own, whether or not that was in their best interest of their city to franchise."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay. Now, if I'm a hauler, large or small, what am I support to think now? If I'm a large hauler and I'm contemplating, planning on, building a transfer station, what do I think now?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, for example, BFI, I think they can take comfort in realizing that the business that they have in Wichita isn't going to change."

Commissioner Winters said, "And if I'm a small hauler working in Wichita then I still assume that contract is good until 2007?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I'm not an attorney, but as I understand it, Wichita waived their rights to even consider franchising until the year 2007, a 10 year period of time."

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Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, maybe I'm not so confused now."

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "The only other option, and I don't know that there will be that many who will want to take advantage of it, but there are Homeowners Associations within the city limits of Wichita who have, as an association and as a neighborhood, franchised their collections for a number of the reasons that Commissioners Sciortino and McGinn have mentioned. And, I am assuming, since they have the ability to do that, others will continue to have the ability to do that. But, over time, or from anything today, I don't see that is going to be any great substantial change in who hauls trash and what their percentage of hauling is now, as compared to what their percentage of hauling will be tomorrow. I just don't think anything we have discussed or any options that folks chose to consider will make a great change in the way those businesses do their business today or in the near future."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. I know there are a number of folks here who are interested in this item. Is there anyone here who would like to share their thought with us? If not, thank you for being here. Appreciate Irene and Susan. Commissioners, is there any action we need to take on this?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I think just to receive and file the report."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye

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Chairman Bill Hancock

Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Next item, please."

C. PRESENTATION OF STATUS REPORT ON NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING IN WICHITA.

Mr. Ray Ontiveros, Principal Planner, Metropolitan Area Planning Department (MAPD), greeted the Commissioners and said, "This a presentation which will bring you up to date in just a few minutes and then we will have a chance to focus in on one of our key neighborhood plans that is being developed for the center city area. But, I just wanted to give you some background as to how this came about and the areas we are working on at the present. There are four neighborhood plans at the City of Wichita, through grants from the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing, which began in 1998. The areas are Orchard Breeze, on the westside, roughly West Street, north of Towne West, also south of Central to the Big Ditch. We have Mid-Town North, on the upper end here between 17th Street going further towards 25th Street and then between Broadway and Arkansas. We have the Center City Area, which is just east of where we are at, all the way to the tracks and then that goes towards Via Christi facilities. And then we have Hilltop, down at Oliver and Harry.

"So, those are the areas, and we are actually winding down with two of the plans, almost done. The other two are in the final stages and we should have everything wrapped up about January, to then proceed with the Planning Commission and take these plans as part of an adoption of the fuller Comprehension Plan. Most of the times we appear before the County Commission is about the Comprehension Plan or zoning or sub-division matters, and actually, these neighborhood plans sort of are in between, they really bring together a lot of issues. They discuss zoning in the neighborhoods, they discuss the sub-divisions, they discuss the past history, they discuss drainage issues, housing is very important in these neighborhoods. The conditions, trash, litter, mowing, those issues are brought up quite often.

"There is talk about Economic Development in some of the neighborhoods. Revitalization, and this a big part, they are sub-areas of the fuller Sedgwick County and Wichita areas. The trend towards neighborhood planning is increasing tremendously because of the fact that our cities are seeing that we have neighborhoods that are 50, 75, 100 years old. And that goes with the housing and the roads and the pipes underneath, all of that is beginning to age. How do we keep those areas from becoming vast waste lands of disinvestment and under use? We are so fortunate to catch this early and not face the problems of

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Philadelphia and Detroit, and St. Louis and those communities. So, the sooner you get in there and work with the folks, the quicker that some things may happen to prevent decay and blight.

“The other key thing about neighborhood plans, is, they really involve the people and they are very intense about the process and reporting on their concerns and their feeling about what is happening. Many times in our comprehensive plan meetings, we have drawn in about 10-20 people. But, at some of these neighborhood meetings, we do bring in 40-50 people and even more depending on the cases. They are kind of like zoning cases in some instances, but, it’s an opportunity for people to think ahead, lay out a framework for how their area should be redeveloped and even if they have some opportunities with vacant land, how those should develop.

“So, it’s a great chance to work at the scale that people can relate to and are comfortable with and are able to tell us what their needs are. Now, we have in the audience, Jill Owens, from our consulting firm, Development Concepts Inc., in Indianapolis, Indiana. She is a representative here this week to work on the two projects, Midtown North and Hilltop.

“We had a meeting last night in Hilltop. We have on tomorrow night in Midtown North. We have the Orchard Breeze is the vision plan. It is a little bit different than a full neighborhood plan, it’s a vision plan, which is the early stages of a neighborhood plan. There is the goal setting, the visioning, priorities, then you develop an actual plan, your preferred option, your map that goes with it. Orchard Breeze is sort of in the early stages. That is simply because of the funding that we had, less funding, and the timing for that one.

“The two neighborhood plans, Mid-Town North and the Hilltop, will be completed by early next year. We’re in the final stages. Those will be neighborhood plans with their map and perspective development of future cases for those two areas.

“The last one, the Center City Project has been sort of past the visioning, goal-setting, the group that’s been working with it, you’ll hear a little bit this morning, has been working for a couple of years. So, they have, on their own, developed a visioning process, they looked at, creatively, how they could make some changes despite a lot of obstacles that they are facing, but make some changes for the good of the City and County in terms of bringing people back, nearby, to some areas that have major employers, such as the City, the County, USD 259, Via Christi, trying to work that into this area. So, that one is more in the middle stages. A plan was needed, a physical plan, and the strategies to implement that were needed. The financing to raise the money to acquire some parcels of land, so that implementation in that plan is much more advanced. So, that’s the one you may hear the most about in the newspaper, simply because they’ve been at it a couple of years and have been trying to get to that implementation stage.

“The difference between. . . one last point I’ll make and then I’ll have Joe, because Joe is able to report on the results and you have some handouts that have given you some status reports on what’s been happening. I’m telling you just some background so that you understand the process. If you have any

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questions about what you've received and will be receiving over the next few of month, we could have Joe here.

"The process is, as I mentioned, winding down and we have an opportunity here to listen about the Center City, so I'll stop, at this point and see if you have any questions and then we'll turn it over to Kelly Bender, who's the Chair of the Center City efforts."

Chairman Hancock said, "Okay, thank you Ray. Commissioners, questions for Ray on these items? Ray, I just have a couple of things. Are all these projects, are they being grant funded?"

Mr. Ontiveros said, "Right, they're all receiving some grant . . . we're matching with some resources with the City and we'll continue to do so for another round, a second round that's been announced, where we're receiving some additional funding and also in the County, to do a project in the south part of the . . . south of Wichita. Yes, they're all grant funded."

Chairman Hancock said, "Really. Who facilitates? Have you been facilitating the meetings?"

Mr. Ontiveros said, "We've hired a consultant to set up the agendas. We set up the rooms but they actually conduct the meetings and develop the agendas and work with folks. But we do it sort of in partnership with them."

Chairman Hancock said, "Fantastic. I'm not sure I know where I was, this is new to me. I think it's a fantastic idea."

Mr. Ontiveros said, "Yeah, there's been a lot of focus from the City because the City is managing, their the one's who receive the grants, so we've been doing some things with the Neighborhood Associations in the City. As we develop and get more familiar with some of the folks and the issues in the County, we'll be happy to do some things there, too. Our very first one is the South Wichita/ Haysville area which is going to be a very important one because we both, City and County, receive \$10,000 each, which will match with some staff funding to something jointly there."

Chairman Hancock said, "Well, I appreciate that Ray could come over today. I'm sure I've heard about this, and I'm sure somebody's said something to me about it but it just didn't stick, as usual. That's the way it happens with me."

Mr. Otiveros said, "It's interesting that of the five districts, four of the five districts, we are working in them. In Ben's district we have the Hilltop area. In Carolyn's district we have two of the plans, the Mid-town North and the Center City and then we have actually, for our Orchard Breeze, it's split, it's partly

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in your district and Tom's district. So, we're getting around. We'll catch the First District, we'll get around. It's been a great opportunity. You meet people, you really hear from them, both positively and some negatives. You're able to show them what can be done and how the process works. They get much more in tune with government and they go away, often, feeling much more satisfied. That's one of the really pleasant things about that job, the process."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Ray."

Mr. Otiveros said, "I'll bring up Kelly Bender, who can fill you in a little bit more on the Center City project. Any other questions for me?"

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioners, questions?"

Pastor Kelly Bender, Chairman, Center City Improvement Project, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for the opportunity to be here on behalf of CORE. I'm Kelly Bender, Senior Pastor of the First United Methodist Church here in downtown Wichita, also here on behalf of CORE today. Sam Miskens, who is the executive director of Inter-faith Ministries. Inter-faith Ministries has been a support and sponsoring agency, on behalf of CORE, from the beginning. Pastor Roy Nelson, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Father Bill Carr, from the St. Mary's Cathedral, Roman Catholic. Ken Stuart, who is an attorney here in town and also provides legal counsel for Inter-faith Ministries.

"I'm part of a coalition that first started with our ten downtown congregations. We believe that a city is only as strong as its core, only as vital as its heart. The church I serve is as old as the City of Wichita is chartered. Several times, in our near 130 years of existences we have revisited the question whether or not to stay in the center-city or to move out to the suburbs, as a number of other congregations have done, but have decided, time and again, that our mission continues to place us at the heart of the city.

"As we try to be vital, we've recognized each of our congregations, that our vitality will be directly related to how responsive we are to our immediate neighborhood. That's a challenge for us because unlike the early years of our ministries, most of our membership drives in from the suburbs, not unlike the some 25,000 people who drive from the suburbs into the two-mile radius we know as the center-city five days a week to work, and then return to their homes in outlying areas.

"We also recognize, and I know that for our neighborhood to be all that it can be, more of us need to live here. We are encouraged that for the first time in twenty years there is a projected population growth in the center of Wichita. That bodes well for us, as downtown congregations, and for our city as a whole.

"As we began our conversations then around what we could do together, we brought in Inter-faith Ministries to help sponsor and support and from that emerged a vision that has been at the heart of our

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CORE project. Namely that of fostering community in the center-city, through a planned residential neighborhood, residential project that would seek to be inclusive, diverse and cosmopolitan. In the materials before you, you see how that has taken shape, through the help of Development Concepts Incorporated. You may have some questions or concerns for us around what you have before you. I would also want you to know that your colleague, Carolyn McGinn, has joined CORE, as a member of our Council of Directors, and has been a tremendous asset for us.

“We are continuing to build the coalition and the base of support. We’re at the point where we are about to begin to purchase property options toward the first phase of our project. Another major player in this is Via Christi. They have been at the table from the beginning and recognize that it’s to their best interest to revitalize the immediate neighborhood that surrounds Via Christi.

“We have members of our congregations who have centered their whole lives around their churches. Who, when they move to that time in their life, they need to move to a nursing home or assisted living, have to move out of the center where their churches are located, to facilities in outlying areas. So, our vision calls for an assisted living center as a major piece of what we hope to develop in our first and second phases. It’s a large vision. It’s something that I wasn’t trained for in terms of seminary but the resources we’ve gathered around us give us tremendous opportunities for this to take shape. We certainly value, not only your interest, but your support.

“I would want to say to you that I have a concern. A concern that grows out of my perception that we have a disproportionate number of group homes in the neighborhood that’s targeted by CORE. We’re saying disproportionate number. For our vision to take shape it needs to be inclusive and that inclusiveness needs to provide space for folks who are trying to get their lives back on track, either because of criminal records or addictions but when you look at the map, it appears to me there’s a disproportionate number of group homes in this neighborhood. So, I want to name that as a concern for you, as this vision continues to unfold and as decisions will be made in the future that could either help or hinder what we’re trying to help happen in this neighborhood.

“I’ll stop there. If there are questions, I would be welcome to respond to those or would invite other resources here, on behalf of CORE.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you. Thanks for being here. It’s nice to see you. One of the things, I guess, that occurs to me about the group homes or the placements for those people who are being integrated back into our community or who, for reason not of their own causing, need that kind of support

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that comes from others, it seems to me that one of the reasons, and I think that we talked about this several years ago, that we find them in the heart is because that's where the services are delivered and courts and probations and our COMCARE Department divisions and municipal transportation, those kinds of things. So, I appreciate your concern. I just we have to think about where the services are delivered and is there a different way or a better way to do those kinds of things."

Pastor Bender said, "I understand and as you indicated, mass transit availability. I do find it curious that in the twelve square blocks area that we're targeting, the numbers of homes. I would want you to hear that there's a new day and now a group that will serve as advocates for a neighborhood that hasn't had advocacy previously."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Well, it's going to be an interesting challenge for you all and certainly an interesting challenge for us, as we look at the delivery of those services to some folks who need them desperately."

Pastor Bender said, "As churches, one of the questions we asked, because we looked at a number of other neighborhoods that we could have targeted for the CORE Project, we came to an agreement that if the churches didn't serve as advocates for this particular neighborhood, it might be that no one would. So, that's one of the reasons we're here."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Oh, I understand that. Another question is I understand that you have some background information or prior knowledge from today, of Commissioner Tom Winters. Do you want to share any of those college stories with us?"

Pastor Bender said, "Well, we were room mates back in the covered wagon days, Southwestern College, long time friendship."

Commissioner Gwin said, "That's wonderful. It's nice to see you. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. Reverend, I share Commissioner Gwin's concern, too. I do believe that the reason for the concentration is the access to the services that they need. I also understand that these people deserve every effort that we can give them to changing their anti-social behavior and being incorporated back into society. I think I understand what you're saying, I believe, is that we would like to have less of them in our area and maybe spread them out in other areas because they're undesirable. I don't know exactly what to do about that. I don't know what authority we would have, as a county, to do anything about that, since they're within the incorporated city limits of Wichita. Is there anything right now that you or your group are looking for us for guidance or direction or any action that you're hoping

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that we could take at this time?”

Pastor Bender said, “Just wanting, and I’m not really even speaking on behalf of CORE, I’m sharing my own perception. We didn’t take action on this particular issue as a council. Just naming my perception, my concern, and would hope that we could be a part of the circle of conversation as we try to strike that balance between what CORE hopes to have happen and, as you say, the need for us to be responsive to folk who have special needs.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Well, I applaud your effort, and I agree with you. Without the dedication of the churches taking up the banner, I don’t know that there will be significant change. Since there’s been some illusion that you had a relationship with Commissioner Winters and you have my deepest condolences on that one, I have to share with you that Father Carr and I go back to a point where both of our hair were a different color, and personally, I had more of it. I’m very gratified that Father Carr is taking an active interest in this, too. That’s all I have.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Thank you. I’ll just be brief, but wanted to make a couple of statements. Kelly, it is good to see you again. I also appreciate the faith community coming to this issue. I’m sure that people like Ray and the planning folks who are the urban planners, there needs to be some focal group that is, and becomes an advocate for any community. I would assure you and your group that the County Commission has also been committed to downtown and know that the strength of any city, the strength of a region, even can have a great deal of affect on what happens in the core of your largest community. Even before I was on this Board of County Commissioners, this Commission has committed effort and money into the City of Wichita and this core area and this revitalization. We’ve had a City Council that’s been very committed to that. This is certainly a different area than it has been in the past. So, I would just commend each and every one of you and your churches for becoming involved in this. Finally, I would just say that we’re glad that Carolyn McGinn is on your committee and want you all to know that we have a great deal of confidence in her wisdom and abilities to look at issues and recommend to us where and how we need to be. She’s certainly, in effect a new Commissioner, and Commissioner Sciortino are both experienced Commissioners after 11 months. We do have a great deal of confidence and we will look to her for any kind of guidance that we need to think about with your CORE group. So, again, thank you Ray, and all the rest of you, for being here. I’ve certainly have appreciated your efforts and will continue to be supportive.”

Pastor Bender said, “Appreciate that. I know we wouldn’t be where we are without the help of City and County Officials. I know you’re a member of First Presbyterian Church, which has an investment in the revitalization of its neighborhood, our CORE Project. I know your in church most every Sunday, except when you skip and watch us on television, our television ministry. **Sam Miskin** named that it’s really

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because of the congregations that have remained vital over the years that we don't have as far to come back from as the center city as other major cities have. So, we understand the importance of that heritage and that legacy and we're wanting to build on it. Appreciate your support and encouragement."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Commissioner McGinn."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I didn't know Tom was going to share, when I first found out about Tom going to school with Pastor Bender, I asked what happened because Tom became a politician and you became a pastor. So, something changed along the way there and I don't go back as far as Ben's gray hair, but Father Carr did marry my husband and myself. I think this is a great thing that's going on, and that's why I'm interested in. I've been very interested in revitalizing our inter-city, in any community. My church is in the inter-city and we have schools there and children and I'm very concerned about how the neighborhood is and the strength of it. I believe what Pastor Kelly Bender said, that the city is only as strong as our core, and I think that's a very strong statement.

"Pretty soon we're going to start going through our Comprehensive Plan and update it for the next ten years. As that process draws near, I've received some letters from different organizations and one was the Chamber, and the comment they made in some of their bullet points was 'growth in the central-city should be encouraged through reduction of cost and barriers to development and incentives. Another letter from an agricultural group that feels strongly about how we ought to take care of our inner-city as well. My question is to Ray. We're seeing great things, or revitalization going on in Old Town, so we are renewing parts of our city, but what is the city doing to encourage in-fill such as, it's my understanding when you have hook-ups, does it cost the same, even though the lines are already there, whether you have gas or water lines, does it cost the same as if you go out and break out new soil?"

Mr. Otiveros said, "In the past it has, but the City last year identified special areas for fee waivers and incentives. They're called local investment areas, as part of it's neighborhood revitalization plan. They're areas that cover some of these areas in the central city and go out to other places, like Plainview, Hill Top, Orchard Breeze. They were done to help those areas. However, a task force has been created, just a few months ago, to evaluate incentives on a broader scale. That would be in line with the redevelopment efforts, whether your designated as a local investment area or not. So, there's a process going on. It involves the members of the building community. It involves discussions with the School District, and some officials there. It's looking at the total package, of what are some of the things that are keeping people away. There are many things that play a part in this. They're all being looked at to see where we can come up with some meaningful incentives."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Well, I'm glad to hear that, because you go to other communities who have revitalized their downtown and those types of areas, and what I hear is that it's because the city

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government body stepped forward and said 'we believe in this and so we're going to make it happen'. I just wondered if we're moving in that direction as well?"

Mr. Otiveros said, "Yeah, again, it's part of the total review of where we've been and how we're functioning as cities. That's happening across the nation. A real introspection, in terms of what's happening and what can we do to preserve some of those parts, whether it be historical or just areas of community and viable businesses, because it's going to be a big part of the next few years, in terms of urban planning. It's important to preserve the tax base there because the abandonment that we've seen in those older cities, as mentioned by Kelly and I earlier, you just don't want to repeat that again. We've seen how much massive urban renewal and dollars it takes to go back and rebuilt large areas. Well, we have just a few pockets, here and there, that we can catch early and preventive approach is much better in the long run. The City is looking at that. Some of those involve money. Some of those involve the regulations being more flexible and adjusting to those older style homes and lot sizes, and so forth. Other things involved, just bringing people together, as to what they can do. This effort here is tremendous because that's the kind of thing, success stories need leadership, as you mentioned, either the city, elected officials, county or neighborhood groups. Especially, when you combine the neighborhood groups with local businesses and major employers in the area. Boy, those are the most successful."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Thank you, Ray. I just have one quick question. Jill, could you come forward? This is great, the book. I think people are starting to understand where we're going. It is my hope to kind of almost see a plan of what this is going to look like someday. Are we there yet, or are we still trying to design what type of housing and community that we're going to put together?"

Ms. Jill Owens, Consultant, Development Concepts, Inc., greeted the Commissioners and said, "Our role really was to assess the market, to make sure that this new housing would be viable. A lot of what you have is looking at the numbers, how this could be financed. We are not an architectural design firm. So, unfortunately, that is something we've talked about as this development moves ahead, CORE Group needs to have a clear expectation for developers, as RFPs are issued, for what this neighborhood is going to look like. It is a disappointment that we don't have a very exciting picture to show you today. That was not part of what our charge was."

Commissioner McGinn said, "Okay, thank you."

Mr. Otiveros said, "One other point, too. There's been many times you'll see a redevelopment plan with specific parcels identified for uses. Well, land acquisition, that's the thing that separates us from that stage, because we don't control the land and while a guide is being proposed, there are three options that the plan also talks about. We can mix and match some housing styles until we get more control, really, of the land and therefore be able to identify and specify what's going to be on there. So we're in that, many cases you'll have the developer already acquire, have the piece of land under their control which makes that plan

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more realistic, in terms of right off the bat.”

Commissioner McGinn said, “Thank you.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions? Ray, I just have one thing, while you’re here. You mentioned incentives, as well as Carolyn, and that’s important to me. I think I’ve mentioned that at our Comprehensive Plan meeting, some time ago, what the incentives could be for center city redevelopment and so forth. You talked about some things. I was not aware that the City had made special provisions for this area. Are they looking at setbacks and set-ins?”

Mr. Otiveros said, “Those are part of the new task force. A year ago it was more financial incentives, with some limits, the income guidelines for example were in place, so not everybody could qualify in some of those. In other cases, yes they could. Now, the new ones cover finance, they cover yard regulations, zoning regulations, fee waivers, building code issues are being discussed. They’ll cover perhaps infrastructure provided by the City, in terms of making the neighborhood itself also more conducive to attracting new investment. So, they have a number of sub-categories that the City staff has broken into and participates to look at these things.”

Chairman Hancock said, “There won’t be a situation where there will be special assessments? I presume any special assessments have long since been retired on these neighborhoods. Will there be special assessments?”

Mr. Otiveros said, “Well, right now, no they don’t work as incentives for folks when they have that. We’re trying to see how can we do this and yet raise the revenues, because we have to be honest, some things will cost. The financing part is a special area within itself.”

Chairman Hancock said, “I see that in these older areas, where they’re redeveloping that it would be significant if there are no specials. That would be one of the major advantages to homeowner costs, to the life of any financing for the properties.”

Mr. Otiveros said, “Right, the playing field right now is really in favor of that outline development, because it’s a lot easier to work with open land and the assembly and so forth. To have special, then, that would really work counter to that. We have to find ways to raise the revenue, and I just don’t know. Specials won’t be ruled out completely, but again, it may be case by case or in certain designated areas. I’m not really on the finance committee, so I shouldn’t be going too far into that.

There should be something coming out, within the next few months, regarding the City’s research on that, and what would maybe work best for Wichita.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Well, my view was, at that meeting some time ago, that it just comes down to

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money. The developers, the builders, the people who participate in this, they can't do it for free, and they're not willing to do it for free. It needs to be a situations where these folks have the capability to do the work, and make a profit, and improve the community at the same time. That's what I've been concerned with. How do we provide those kind incentives for the private side to take over from the government side and assist the community, who have a plan. The concept of planning for a community is fantastic. I'm really impressed. It's a good deal. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Just one thing, Ray. Will these neighborhood plans be folded into the overall Comprehensive Plan that you'll be presenting to us here shortly?"

Mr. Otiveros said, "The neighborhood groups have asked about them and their big concern is that they not be just done and then sit someplace. That they be part of the master plan, the Comprehensive Plan. So, we will be proposing to take those to the Planning Commission to have them review them and draw in comments and make them a part of that. That would be, based on what we see now, the neighborhood people that we've been working with, they'd like to take the next step."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Further questions or comments? Anything else you want to add. Thank you very much for the report. Appreciate everything you've done so far, and being here today. Commissioners, Chair would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Thank you again, Ray. Thank you all for being here. Next item please."

D. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATE FUNDING THROUGH THE 1999 KANSAS COMPREHENSIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM TO ADD ADDITIONAL FOUR-LANE MILES TO U.S. HIGHWAY 54.

Ms. Marci Hess, Director, Government Relations, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before you, you have a Resolution to support State funding for adding four lanes to U.S. Highway 54. Several local governments, along the U.S. Highway 54 have applied for State funding through the system enhancements category of the new Comprehensive Plan that was passed last year. The additional four lanes miles would total 74, and would be from Kingman to Pratt and Pratt to Mullenville. The reason for this is two-fold. The increased traffic would allow us to have more access and more safety for individuals traveling that area. It would increase the economic impact and would help us maintain a competitive advantage with the other regional communities.

"The other part of that is that the ultimate goal of the addition of the four lanes is to extend it all the way down to the second largest border crossing, in El Paso, Texas. With that, I would also add, this does not compete with any other Sedgwick County applications. It does continue to illustrate the value you place on regional partnerships. I would recommend that you adopt the Resolution."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Marci. Commissioners, questions, comments? Just one thing. This 54 Highway Corridor has been on the list for some time now, to improve the highway. It's two lane most of the way and it goes through a number of towns and cities. You slow down and then you speed up again. While it's a good route, it's not a modern route. Has there been Marci, and I don't want to put you on the spot, you may not be aware of this either way, it has been kicked around that some of these highways be self-funding. In other words, that we make this corridor a toll road, like the turnpike. While I'm on that subject, let me say that there are no free roads. The turnpike is paid for by the tolls. Otherwise it would be maintained by our taxes. Is there talk out there about making this a toll road and does the legislature have the authority to do that?"

Ms. Hess said, "I have not heard any talk of a toll road at this point in time. I'm sure that, as their looking at the funding, that that would be considered. I believed it's based on traffic counts."

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioner Winters has something."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I know a couple of years ago, and I believe the turnpike authority was involved in a study looking at a toll road on U.S. 54, and they looked at several options, including just building two additional lanes and having the new lanes be toll road. I mean, they

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looked at several options and I know that Tim Woodsman, at the Chamber, has the information and reports, but the best of my recollection, it came back and said that a toll road would not work on that process. Toll road seems to me . . . I mean, the Kansas Turnpike I think we get great service from that road and that has worked well. I know that Tim Woodsman can answer that question, because I am confident that they have studied that in the past.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Appreciate that. I know I’ll see Tim from time to time. I’ll mention it to him. Ask him what the latest is. Just makes sense to me, but what do I know about roads and how to finance them?”

Ms. Hess said, “Well, I’ll follow up and get you more information on that also.”

Chairman Hancock said, “That would be fine, but in the meantime I’ll see Tim and I’ll visit with him a little bit about it. Appreciate it. Commissioners, further questions or comments on this Item?”

Commissioner Winters said, “I have one other question. You mentioned that several other cities, local governments have done this. Do you know who they are, Marci?”

Ms. Hess said, “I know one of them for sure is the Greenburgs, Greensburg and I believe Mullinville is working with them. There’s a group of local governments that have come together until the title of SPIRIT, the Southwest Passage. They have been working through this. Other than Greensburg, I’m not exactly sure who all has their names on the application.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Okay, thank you.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Commissioner. A little background, when I was a new Commissioner, around ‘89 or ‘90, I spent some time visiting with a coalition of a number States that were looking at this route, through the southern part of Kansas, originating in southern Missouri, I believe, either Cairo . . . and going to the north rim of the Grand Canyon, as a northern route. It’s just one of them that has never has been completed. This would be a part of that, that larger program. I know there’s some need there. I think it would just work wonders for this state if we could create an east/ west route in the southern part of the State that was a good route. I think it’s one of those that would become very popular. Anyway, it has a long history and I think this is an easy resolution to adopt. Commissioners, further questions or comments? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

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Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Next item please."

- E. AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS PROVIDING INCREASED FOOTAGE OF USE AREA TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES/ ENTITIES AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC FOR NON-REGULATORY ENVIRONMENTAL ADVICE AND EDUCATION SERVICES LOCATED AT 2625 SOUTH TYLER, WICHITA, KANSAS.**

Ms. Jennifer Magana, Assistant County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This amendment to the lease agreement with the City of Wichita will expand the space available to the Environmental Resources Department, at the Pawnee Prairie Nature Center, which currently shares the space with the Conservation District.

"This amendment will increase the space available from 971 square feet to 2,271 square feet, at a rate of \$8.00 per square foot, for an annual rate of \$18,168. This amendment will provide space for the staff and activities that will be part of the Solid Waste Plan, and will become effective January 1st, 2000, pending approval by the Commission and the City Council, which has it on it's agenda for next Tuesday. I'd recommend you approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Jennifer. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, the Chair would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the amendment to the lease agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Thank you, Jennifer. Next item please."

**F. AGREEMENT WITH COWLEY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR
SEDGWICK COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE (EMS) TO PROVIDE
FIELD INTERNSHIPS TO TRAINING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.**

Mr. Tom Pollan, Director, Emergency Medical Service (EMS), greeted the Commissioners and said, "Again, this is an agreement to provide that field internship portion for MICT students. It's an obviously good way for us to get to know these individuals and gives us an idea of who are perspective employees are. So, I would recommend your approval and allow the Chair to sign."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Tom. Commissioners, questions on this Item?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.
Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

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Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Tom. Next item please."

G. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. GRANT REVISION #1 WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES PROVIDING A GRANT EXTENSION.

Ms. Marilyn Cook, Assistant Director, COMCARE (Comprehensive Community Care) greeted the Commissioners and said, "This item is a revision or an extension on a grant that we received immediately following the tornado. We had, what they called an Immediate Service Grant, from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) and they normally last only sixty days but we were allowed to extend this, originally to July, and then this revision allows us to extend that initial immediate services grant through August. It's confusing, because we were given an opportunity with FEMA shortly after the immediate services grant began, there was a lot of confusing at that time, in terms of what services would be needed. We did also apply for a regular services grant. You have to do that within the sixty days. Since we had applied for a regular services grant, they allowed us to continue to provide the services. So, this extends it yet one more month. Do you have questions on that? It's confusing."

Chairman Hancock said, "Too confusing to ask questions. Commissioners, questions on this item? If not, the Chair would entertain a Motion."

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to approve the grant revision #1 and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye

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Chairman Bill Hancock

Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Maybe it would be easier if the State and the County had the same fiscal year."

Ms. Cook said, "Yeah, it's difficult when we have an emergency like this, because so much is put into place, initially, just to be able to respond and then what we do afterwards kind of catches up with us. It is, it's difficult."

Chairman Hancock said, "I'll suggest to the Governor they change it this year."

Ms. Cook said, "We have made some suggestions along those lines."

Chairman Hancock said, "All right. Thank you. Next item please."

2. ADDITION OF ONE .75 TIME SENIOR SOCIAL WORKER POSITION, RANGE 22, TO THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE) STAFFING TABLE.

Ms. Cook said, "This item goes along with Item 3 and it would probably make more sense to you if Item 3 could also be introduced at this time, because this is a staff position for a grant that we are receiving in Item 3. Is it possible to consider both of them at the same time?"

Commissioner Winters said, "Just tell us about the grant and then we'll act on them individually."

Ms. Cook said, "Okay, the grant that's was an opportunity that was made available to us during the spring legislative session. Some money was put into the SRS (Social Rehabilitation Services) system and this was also, by the way, about a week following the incident at Columbine, so during the legislative session a request for a proposal was put out for providers to contract or respond to a contract to provide services to children in schools that would help impact the outcomes associated with violence in schools. So, the contracts had to be written by the school district personnel throughout the State. So, we collaborated with Communities in Schools and USD #259, in putting a response to that proposal together. The grant was awarded some time in October, after the school year had already begun. We have, in some way, changed and modified what we wanted to do with this contract.

"The contract, the full grant was for \$125,000 for USD #259. Part of that money went to Communities in Schools, \$50,177 is going to a mental health liaison in the schools, which would be a COMCARE employee who would be repositioned in three of the elementary schools that have been identified in the area that have Communities in Schools programs in them and also have children at risk for violence.

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“The clinician in that school would provide some non-traditional, community-based, wrap-around services to ten children, in a minimum, at each school and those schools are Horace Mann, Lincoln and Stanley Elementaries. The clinician would provide some non-traditional wrap-around services to at least 30 children in those schools, with the hope that their attendance in school would improve, that their school performance would improve and the proclivity for violence would decrease. The clinician would also be working with school personnel to provide them consultation when they had problems and situations with children. Some consultation to family members and also provides some continuing education to staff members at those schools.

“The contract is proposed to run through 6/30 of the next year, which would be the end of the school year. There is enough money in this contract that there will be some carry-over money and the school has already agreed to continue to employ that individual from COMCARE throughout the summer, so that she won’t lose contact with those kids throughout the summer, and there should be sufficient money to do that. So, that’s the actual grant opportunity. We are looking at, on Agenda Item 2, 3/4 time social worker, who we would need to add to our staffing table. The funding source would be from this grant money. It is a one year grant, however, if the outcomes are good, there’s an opportunity to continue the grant for two more years. I’d be happy to answer any questions on this.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Just educate me. How do we hire three quarters of a person?”

Ms. Cook said, “Well, we have one individual who will be dedicated to this program three quarters of her time, so thirty hours a week. Then, we have a supervision part of the contract as well. So, we have a masters level social worker that’s going to be providing supervision to this clinician. So, only three quarters of her time . . . she’s already an employee of COMCARE, who is working on a practicum at KU (Kansas University) and she’s willing and her practicum supervisor and KU were willing to have her do this practicum in the school system. She’s already a current employee.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “She’s currently a full time employee. So, twenty-five percent of her time will be on something else.”

Ms. Cook said, “Yes, she’s a case manager at our children’s program, so she would have those duties in addition.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Who will take up the slack on her seventy-five percent of her duties that she will no longer be doing?”

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Ms. Cook said, "My understanding is that the supervisor of the case management program at Childrens and his staff have met and they have divided those duties, so there is the sense that they will be able to, and we have two new case managers that are in the process of being hired. So that some of her case load will be distributed among other case managers, including the two new ones that just started with our program on Monday."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Further questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the addition to the COMCARE Staffing Table.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Item G-3?"

3. AGREEMENT WITH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 259 FOR COMCARE TO PROVIDE A MENTAL HEALTH LIAISON POSITION TO PROVIDE DIRECT, NONTRADITIONAL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

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MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Now, Item 4."

4. CONTRACT WITH MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION SETTING THE RATES AND CONDITIONS FOR SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO YOUTH WITH HEALTHWAVE INSURANCE.

Ms. Cook said, "This item involves the request to approve a contract with the Mental Health Association. COMCARE acts as the management organization for the behavioral health part of the Healthwave contract. That was a contract that went into effect January of 1999 and it's a State insurance program for youth who's family earns too much to be Medicaid eligible but still have some needs for insurance that they could not otherwise afford. COMCARE coordinates this activity for several centers. We have a need for some additional services. We've served about 174 children so far this year in the Healthwave Program. We have a need to provide, in some cases, attendant care, respite care, and psycho-social treatment groups which are activities that COMCARE staff does not currently perform. So we want to initial this

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contract with the Mental Health Association, who does provide those services. Be happy to answer questions on this one.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Okay, I don’t see any questions. Commissioners, questions or comments? If not, the Chair would entertain a motion.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the contract and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you. Thank you for being here. Next item please.”

H. KANSAS COLISEUM.

1. AGREEMENT WITH UNIFIRST FOR ADVERTISING RIGHTS AT THE KANSAS COLISEUM.

Mr. John Nath, Director, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, “This is our standard agreement for advertising rights at our facility. Unifirst is a commercial and industrial uniform supply company. They supply not only the physical uniforms, they also do some laundry service. We are going to be updating the look of our employees, our full-time employees next year with golf shirts and new jeans. They will be purchased through Unifirst. Unifirst is also becoming a marketing partner with us. We

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recommend approval.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you. Commissioners, questions?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Just one. Is there any . . . John, you said that Unifirst supplies some of our uniforms. Is any of that advertising agreement in a trade-out?”

Mr. Nath said, “No, this is a cash for cash agreement.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “That’s all I had.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Commissioner. Further questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Commissioner McGinn seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, “Next item please.”

2. MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Nath said, “The month of October was really a pretty good month for us. We had an excess of 58,000 attend 18 events which had 39 performances. Our net revenues were over \$188,000. So, it was really a pretty good deal for us.

“World Championship Wrestling, always a favorite in our market. We had, October 1st, over 4,600

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people attend just a regular wrestling event. We have one more event in February, and that will be the end of our three year deal with WCW and we'll either have to go in and renegotiate a deal with them or we'll talk to the WWF (World Wrestling Federation) folks. Wrestling has had a really good three year run here, in this market, and we'd like to continue it.

"We also had a first ever indoor football game in October. We had 5,000 come, in attendance, and we did not have a team represented there. It's a really interesting event, as you can see, the action is really close to the audience. The audience can really, almost reach out and touch one of the players on the field. One of the things that they do is the crowd goes out onto the field afterwards, after the game, and gets autographs and meets the players. The league, right now, is for each game, they're probably leaving 17 balls, on average, in with the audience. The kids who get those balls, they take them down to the field after the game and get them all autographed. It's a great fan spiff. It's become very, very popular.

"We also had opening of the Wichita Thunder. They're fielding a very good team this year, very competitive. They beat Tulsa last night. We're looking for some good things this year. Very strong, very fast team.

"Weaving Poppin' Johnnies, they've had the best attendance that they've ever had. They had almost 10,000 people come to the three day antique tractor show. We really had a good time. One of the things that we like to explain is 'what is a poppin' johnnie'? We have those kind of questions all the time, especially from folks that aren't familiar with agricultural terms.

George Jones, the Awesome Possum, at the end of the month. We had a really good show with them. We were happy that he showed up. He performed for approximately 55 minutes, which is 10 minutes longer than Kenny Rogers used to do when Kenny Rogers was touring. He showed up. We told him he could sing his whole song, he didn't need to cut it. So, he actually was sober when he got here, too. We were very happy with that.

"In addition, we previewed our new food court offerings. We have the Block and Barrel Deli, on the south end, the southwest side of the Coliseum. We are up and running. It's been very well received by everybody that has attended the various events. Also, the four pound plate of deluxe nachos has proved to be a very big winner. So, you come out for dinner. It's more than just a snack.

"In addition to Papa John's, which we do not have a slide of yet, it was not completed yet, I'll have that for you next month, we had almost 8,000 people attend horse shows, various horse shows. We had a quarter horse event. We had a paint horse event and we had two team penning events. That's almost 8,000 people for 4 events.

"So, we had a very good variety that we presented this month. Next month, of course, we have Amy

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Grant in concert at the beginning of the month. We had a very good show with that so far. Ticket sales are very encouraging. If there's any questions, I'll be happy to answer them at this time."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, John. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. John, I just wanted to say thanks for the visual aids to your presentation. I think it makes it very good. It gives us a better feel of some of the things that are going on and I'm sure it could be a bit of a boost, too, because there are people who do watch this show on either the rebroadcast or this morning. I think taking the time to put together some visuals on your report was excellent. So, I appreciate that."

Mr. Nath said, "It's fun to do."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. John, could you give us, or maybe me, an update now on the Warlords, our football team. When are they going to start? I've had a couple of calls and people are starting to get interested in it."

Mr. Nath said, "Very much so. We continue to increase the season ticket base every week. They have contracted with Select-a-Seat to sell the season tickets for them. I know he's out gathering up sponsors right now. We have a exhibition game planned for the third week in March and the first home game is the second Saturday in April. They open on the road in Casper, Wyoming, April 2nd, I believe the date is."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "How many teams are going to be in that league?"

Mr. Nath said, "There's 21 teams this year. We're guaranteed at least eight games. The exhibition and seven regular season. Hopefully, as many play-off games as we can qualify for."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you."

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you, Commissioner. Commissioners, further questions or comments?"

MOTION

Commissioner McGinn moved to receive and file.

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Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thanks, John. Good report. Next item please."

**I. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS NOVEMBER 10, 1999
REGULAR MEETING.**

Mr. Darren Muci, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have Minutes from the November 10th meeting of the Board of Bids and Contracts. There are six items for considerations.

**(1) CLEAN & TELEWISE SANITARY SEWER LINES- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: PUBLIC WORKS**

"Item 1 is clean and televising of sanitary sewer lines for Public Works. It was recommended to accept the only bid received of Utility Maintenance Contractors. This is \$11,296.25 for this specific project, Fairway Meadows Division #11.

**(2) RIP RAP- LAKE AFTON PARK
FUNDING: LAKE AFTON PARK**

"Item 2, rip rap for Lake Afton Park. It was recommended to accept the low bid of Couch Construction Materials, \$16,997.07.

**(3) SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS- INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

"Item 3, software maintenance agreements for Information Services. There are three of these. The first one is for the Omegamon MVS software from Candle Corporation. That amount, \$19,700 for the 2000

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fiscal year. Candle Corporation is the publisher of this particular software.

**(4) SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT- INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

“Item 4, also software maintenance. This time Allen Systems Group for the ASG-Outbound software. Again, maintenance for the year 2000. That amount, \$10,533.60. Again, Allen Systems Groups is the publisher of this software.

**(5) SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT- INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

“Item 5, again for Information Services, software maintenance for the MVS system. That vendor is Computer Associates, they are the publishers. That amount, \$12,340,50.

**(6) HARDWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS- INFORMATION SERVICES
FUNDING: INFORMATION SERVICES**

“Item 6 is hardware maintenance agreements for Information Services. Cisco Systems, these are the network writers, that amount for the year 2000 maintenance, \$10,450.79.

“I’ll be happy to take questions and recommend approval of the Minutes of the Board of Bids and Contracts.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Thank you, Darren. Commissioners, questions on these items?”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have to show my ignorance one more time. What’s rip rap material?”

Mr. Muci said, “Big rocks.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you. I had to ask.”

Chairman Hancock said, “Further questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

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Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, "Thank you. Thank you, Darren. Next item please."

CONSENT AGENDA

J. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-way Agreements.

- a. Three Easements for right-of-ways and One Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 807-K, L, N ½ M; Maize Road between 21st and 45th Streets North. CIP #R-246. Districts 3 & 4.
- b. Two Easements for Right-of-Way and One Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 598-9-2240; Bridge on 85th Street North between 263rd and 279th Streets West. CIP #B-320. District #3.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

Contract	Rent	District
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<u>Number</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V99065	\$462.00	2	Diane Berkstresser
V99066	\$223.00		Simmons Properties
V99067	\$293.00	5	Cottage Grove
V99069	\$282.00		Dannie Wedel
V99070	\$288.00	5	Cottage Grove
V99071	\$242.00	5	Helms Rental Property

- 3. The following Section 8 Housing Contract is being amended to reflect a revised monthly amount due to a change in the income level of the participating client.**

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
V94116	\$239.00	\$299.00\

- 4. Request to vacate a portion of access control located at the southwest corner of 47th Street South and Greenwich Road. Vacation Order, MAPD Case No. V-2195.**
- 5. Order dated November 10, 1999 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
- 6. Applications for License to Retail Cereal Malt Beverages.**

<u>Applicant Name</u>	<u>d/b/a</u>
Scotty R. Cook	Kwik Shop Inc. #706
James W. Peters	Jeymanco Inc., dba Schulte Country Store

- 7. Agreement with Siena Home Care to provide Developmental Disability Community Service Provider status.**
- 8. Payroll Check Registers for November 12 and November 15, 1999.**
- 9. General Bills Check Register of November 12, 1999.**
- 10. Budget Adjustment Requests.**

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the

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Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend that you approve it.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Carolyn McGinn	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chairman Bill Hancock	Aye

Chairman Hancock said, “Is there other business? If not we’re adjourned.”

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There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS**

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Second District

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First District

THOMAS G. WINTERS, Commissioner,
Third District

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Fourth District

BEN SCIORTINO, Commissioner
Fifth District

ATTEST:

James Alford, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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