City of Cedar Rapids
Flood Control System Committee Minutes
City Hall – Council Chambers
Thursday, December 17, 2015
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Present: Council members Ann Poe (Chair), Pat Shey, Justin Shields
Sandi Fowler, Assistant City Manager; Rob Davis, Flood Control Program Manager; Rita Rasmussen, Real Estate Services Manager

Absent: Mayor Ron Corbett

Meeting called to order at 11:09 a.m. by Council member Poe.

Council member Shey moved to approve the meeting minutes from the October 1, 2015 Flood Control System Committee meeting. Motion seconded by Council member Poe. Motion passed.

Rob Davis presented a review of the progress made this past year on Flood Control System to the Committee. The presentation is located in the packet. The presentation highlighted the accomplishments, staff and elected official visits to other cities to view and learn about other flood control systems, new technologies in flood control the city is testing, a five year financial plan, and goals for the next six months.

Council member Justin Shields joined the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Chair Ann Poe inquired when the NW Recreation Center will open. Sandi Fowler estimated a July 2016 opening date (confirmed opening date of August 2016). She also requested an update on Quaker Oats. Rob Davis explained that they are currently working on getting permission from Union Pacific to cross the railroad tracks. Chair Ann Poe asked for an update on the acquisition process for the Flood Control System. Rita Rasmussen, Real Estate Services Manager, noted that a few acquisitions have taken place in Czech Village; however, a majority of them have occurred in Time Check. She explained many property owners have voluntarily come forward and have been made aware of the timeframe in which the City intends to acquire the properties. She also noted a letter has been mailed out to the property owners with contact information if they have questions. Chair Ann Poe requested that a quarterly update on financials be given to the Flood Control System Committee in addition to the grant submission log.

Chair Ann Poe thanked staff for their work over the past year and noted that Council member Ralph Russell will be replacing her as chair of the Committee in 2016.

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
April Wing
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