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City Administrator Report to Mayor & City Council

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Report:

1. Hotel/Motel Tax: The updated hotel/motel tax report is attached. As noted, the amount we recently received includes late payments from the previous quarter. Overall, it was a very good year for hotel/motel tax revenues.
2. Fridley TIF: We should have the tentative agreement prepared by Monday for review by staff and Fridley for review and action in April.
3. Fridley: The FD/PPD are planning for the 21st, with the 22nd as a rain date (the state requires a secondary date) for access to the home on Fridley's property for training. The FD has some non-destructive training they would like to do in the area of fire fighter safety and rescue. Typically we train in the house before we burn so as to get the most training for our effort.
4. Bridge Lights: Musco called this afternoon noting that the bridge lights were tested last night and final corrections were made today. Lights should be back up and running tonight! Thanks to Musco for their efforts in making these significant repairs to the bridge lights!
5. ESI: Nancy and I met with John Axel this week. Mr. Axel promises to review options to work with a lending institution to relieve the city of having to carry this debt. We will also work to prepare a repayment agreement should that option not pan out. We will keep you informed as to these next steps.
6. Fire Department: Chief Ewers met with Kasey, the new Manager at Hy-Vee, today in regards to the landscape plan at Station 2. He is getting approval with Hy-Vee Corporate, but sounds like they will do assist the City in regards to the shrubs and perennials. Chief Ewers talked about the focus being around the front door and apron areas, then front retention basins, and last the rear of the building. We'll let you know what they plan on donating for the project and will credit their donation during the ribbon cutting ceremony. Chief Ewers also went to MP&W to speak with the folks in charge of Branching Out. It sounds like they would likely help us out with some trees. The department conducted a boat rescue standby in the river yesterday for MUSCO because this is a requirement from DOT while they fix the LED lighting. Chief Ewers also thanked Bret again on the lighting donation from MUSCO for Fire Station II and believes they will donate additional lights for the fenced in area of the Army Reserve section that we will use for training. The Department had a collision with an ambulance this week. It happened right after lunch - the ambulance was in the right lane and a semi tractor/trailer was in the left lane near the intersection of Hershey and Green. From what Chief Ewers heard of the incident it sounds like the truck driver swung to the right as he was getting ready to turn left, but there is no definitive proof of this. Damage to both vehicles was under the state

**"I remember Muscatine for its sunsets. I have never seen any
on either side of the ocean that equaled them" — Mark Twain**

accident report amount, but he would guess we are looking at \$500-\$1000 on the ambulance. There were several scratches in the paint, the rear wheel well fender was damaged and will need repaired, and the metal of the box was bent in a spot or two. The ambulance is still drive-able and will not be taken out of service. MPD was called to the scene and Kevin Sink will be filling out the report.

7. DPW: Director Hill met with Connie and Kristy last week to discuss the submission of various grants for city projects. A recap follows:
 1. July 1, 2012 - State Recreational Trail Grant
 - a. Musser Park to Wiggens Road Trail Project
 - b. Coordinated efforts with the City of Fruitland and Louisa & Muscatine County Boards of Supervisors
 - c. Effort to compliment the \$500K for Federal Earmark for this trail
 2. August 1, 2012 - Traffic Safety Improvement Program (TSIP) Grant
 - a. Cedar Street Project
 - b. Traffic Signals at the High School/Cedar Street intersection
 - c. Focus for this grant is Safety
 3. October 1, 2012 - Safe Routes To School Grant
 - a. Cedar Street Project
 - b. We have experience as a result of the Colorado application
 - c. Schools within a two mile radius:
 - i. Hayes, Jefferson, Kindler, West
 - ii. Other - High School, Muscatine Community
 - d. Focus for this grant is Safety
 4. October 1, 2012 - ICAAP Grant
 - d. Cedar Street Project
 - e. Traffic Signals
 - f. Focus for this grant is Air Quality
 5. October 1, 2012 - Federal Recreational Trail Grant
 - a. Cedar Street Project
 - b. Sidewalk/trail
 - c. We have submitted this grant application previously so only minor work is needed
 - d. Focus for this grant is Safety and Recreation
 6. October 1, 2012 - Enhancement Trail Grant
 - a. Cedar Street Project
 - b. Sidewalk/trail
 - c. We have submitted this grant application previously so only minor work is needed
 - d. Focus for this grant is Safety and Recreation

City of Muscatine
Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts
1981 Through the Quarter Ended December 31, 2011
Calendar Year Basis
(Reflects Sales Tax for the Quarter Indicated Received by the City in the Following Quarter)

	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1990</u>
Quarter Ended:										
March 31	N/A	\$ 19,232.96	\$ 18,681.98	\$ 20,297.13	\$ 18,009.11	\$ 16,709.02	\$ 17,009.89	\$ 17,569.02	\$ 23,469.48	\$ 26,448.19
June 30	22,524.49	21,870.19	21,848.36	21,360.82	20,456.33	16,722.85	17,434.77	20,999.14	24,891.65	30,498.07
September 30	22,943.58	22,440.75	22,663.46	22,541.57	21,131.85	20,424.40	17,824.69	26,701.15	29,046.75	32,003.03
December 31	20,019.16	17,739.93	20,000.55	18,367.11	15,842.84	14,163.27	21,787.58	21,108.93	23,155.62	22,971.37
Totals	\$ 65,487.23	\$ 81,283.83	\$ 83,194.35	\$ 82,566.63	\$ 75,440.13	\$ 68,019.54	\$ 74,056.93	\$ 86,378.24	\$ 100,563.50	\$ 111,920.66

	<u>1991</u>	<u>1992</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
Quarter Ended:										
March 31	\$ 24,305.78	\$ 27,711.87	\$ 60,894.40	\$ 24,483.42	\$ 44,578.12	\$ 51,405.94	\$ 54,742.68	\$ 61,102.75	\$ 67,404.48	\$ 59,417.74
June 30	31,847.41	54,074.28	56,858.82	82,397.18	76,758.21	68,952.70	74,099.44	82,774.25	73,742.69	74,119.67
September 30	34,881.63	62,854.35	67,253.12	79,392.19	70,042.93	78,281.78	76,141.18	86,567.88	96,915.22	76,958.27
December 31	25,472.90	33,368.49	55,666.56	42,913.95	66,771.86	60,657.31	66,553.96	71,106.50	63,865.01	78,280.53
Totals	\$ 116,507.72	\$ 178,008.99	\$ 240,672.90	\$ 229,186.74	\$ 258,151.12	\$ 259,297.73	\$ 271,537.26	\$ 301,551.38	\$ 301,927.40	\$ 288,776.21

	<u>2001 (#3)</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Quarter Ended:										
March 31	\$ 69,292.78	\$ 58,990.57	\$ 57,351.91	\$ 69,710.27	\$ 79,835.21	\$ 72,552.48	\$ 71,768.06	\$ 67,766.16	\$ 66,267.81	\$ 61,255.18
June 30	106,317.92	77,900.53	80,745.70	91,181.51	93,847.60	90,337.59	100,316.37	91,518.91	78,997.38	92,787.24
September 30	76,274.37	72,877.04	81,699.38	84,352.24	75,707.03	92,400.28	108,581.41	122,708.53	89,635.77	92,418.76
December 31	63,041.37	63,679.21	68,206.60	69,540.31	67,478.39	74,333.00	98,387.80	76,380.57	58,594.48	73,512.88
Totals	\$ 314,926.44	\$ 273,447.35	\$ 288,003.59	\$ 314,784.33	\$ 316,868.23	\$ 329,623.35	\$ 379,053.64	\$ 358,374.17	\$ 293,495.44	\$ 319,974.06

	<u>2011 (#4)</u>
Quarter Ended:	
March 31	\$ 97,259.96
June 30	100,472.96
September 30	78,823.22 *
December 31	115,118.50 *
Totals	\$ 391,674.64

Hampton Inn
opened late in
2010
* One permit had not
finished processing for
the 9/30/11 quarter; funds were
included in the next quarter

Notes:

1. Hotel/motel tax implemented 4-1-81 at a rate of 4%.
2. Hotel/motel tax increased to 7% effective 4-1-92
3. Hotel/motel tax for quarter ended June 30, 2001 included \$21,705.23 for prior quarters per State (late payments plus interest).
4. Hotel/motel tax for quarter ended March 31, 2011 includes \$5,345.83 for the prior quarter.

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