

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
May 9, 2011**

The Governing Body met at 4 pm this date with the following members present and participating to wit: Mayor Ramsey, Commissioner Caylor, Commissioner Jorgensen, Commissioner Reed and Commissioner Richards. A quorum was present.

Mayor Ramsey called the meeting to order and asked for Public Comments.

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Certificate of Approval-Ottawa University

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed a request to authorize the Mayor to sign a Certificate of Approval endorsing the issuance of revenue bonds for Ottawa University following the public hearing on May 12, 2011. These bonds do not constitute a debt or obligation of the City of Ottawa. Thereupon, Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richards, to approve authorization for the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Approval. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the request duly approved.

Report from Dennis Butler, Chief of Police

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Chief of Police Dennis Butler who provided an overview of current department priorities, visions and projects.

Report from Andy Haney, Public Works Director

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Director of Public Works Andy Haney who provided an overview of current department priorities, visions and projects.

Youth in Government Report

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from the Executive Assistant to the City Manager Leslie Quillen. Ms. Quillen explained Jordan Gray will soon attend the City Commission meetings as the City Youth in Government representative.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt reported on the following:

- Sonic-currently discussing the issue internally
- Budget Discussions start next few weeks.
- Update on "Take Charge Challenge" by Leslie Quillen, Executive Assistant to the City Manager
- "Safe Routes To School" discussion by Wynndee Lee, Director of Planning/Codes/Inspection

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- Franklin County Summit, May 18, 2011
- Joint luncheon scheduled for May 18th has been canceled

Mayor's Report

Thereupon, Mayor Ramsey discussed Senate Bill 150 regarding annexation.

Announcements

Thereupon, the Mayor announced:

1. May 18, 2011: Joint City/County/USD 290 Luncheon CANCELED.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Caylor made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Reed, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was considered and upon being put, all present voted aye. Thereupon, the Mayor declared the meeting duly adjourned.

Carolyn S. Snethen, City Clerk