

**STUDY SESSION MINUTES
OTTAWA, KANSAS
Minutes of
December 20, 2010**

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

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

Public Comments

None offered at this time.

Review of Minutes

Thereupon, the Governing Body reviewed minutes from the December 1, 2010 Study Session Meeting. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed by consensus to place this item on the Regular Meeting Agenda for January 5, 2011.

Economic Development Self-Assessment Tool

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from Blaine Finch who reported on the results of the Economic Development Self-Assessment Tool report, prepared in conjunction with Northeastern University's Dukakis Center for Urban Research and Policy.

Youth in Government Report

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from ECKAN Volunteer Center Director Lisa River, Youth Delegates Zack George, Danon Taylor, and Gabby Bowers reported on the National League of Cities Conference recently held in Denver, Colorado. In addition, the Youth in Government Service Project was announced and will be "Youth Mapping". Lisa Rivers and the Youth Delegates thanked the Governing Body for allowing them to attend the conference.

Play Task Force Update

Thereupon, the Governing Body heard from the City Manager Intern Casey Sharp who provided an update on the Play Task Force initiatives.

City Manager's Report

Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt inquired about the Governing Body's wish to have the Park Fee Ordinance brought to the agenda. Thereupon, the Governing Body agreed when additional information was available.

Commissioners' Report

Thereupon, Commissioner Ramsey discussed a retreat for the City Commission in January or February. Thereupon, City Manager Richard Nienstedt stated he would work on getting something scheduled.

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body Commissioner Jorgensen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Fleer, 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

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