

**ANN ARBOR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
WORKING SESSION - OCTOBER 9, 2000**

The working session of the Ann Arbor City Council was called to order at 7:08 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber by Mayor Ingrid B. Sheldon.

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL**

**PRESENT :** Councilmembers Tobi Hanna-Davies, John Hieftje, Joseph Upton, Joan Lowenstein, Jean Carlberg, Heidi Cowing Herrell, Stephen C. Hartwell, Christopher Kolb, Elisabeth L. Daley, Mayor Ingrid B. Sheldon, 10.

**ABSENT :** Councilmember Marcia Higgins, 1.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UPGRADE PROJECT**

Administrative Services Director James Amin, Interim Finance Director Brenda Smith, Finance Department Consultant Karen Lancaster, Interim Information Technology Services Division Manager Tom Bowen, ITSD Senior Applications Analyst David Van Eck and Budget Director Alan Burns gave a presentation on the proposed financial management system upgrade from American Management Systems mainframe-based software to its network-based system.

The team reviewed the project=s goals, the current system=s deficiencies, benefits of upgrading to the network-based system, research on other governmental units using the AMS technology, Budget Reporting and Analysis Support System update, and estimated costs and tentative project time lines.

Mr. Bowen reported that the estimated total cost of the project is \$900,000, and that the core financial functions of the system is expected to be operational by July 1, 2001. He recommended that a System Administrator position be filled by February, 2001 to oversee project implementation.

Questions and comments from Council followed the presentation.

The following reports were distributed to Council and filed in the City Clerk=s Office:

- X AFinancial System Upgrade Project, October 9, 2000" slide presentation;
- X ACity of Ann Arbor Financial System Needs Assessment: Report and

Recommendations,≡ September, 1999, prepared by Government Finance Officers Association-The Research Center;

- X A City of Ann Arbor Financial System Needs Assessment: Report Addendum,≡ February, 2000, prepared by Government Finance Officers Association-The Research Center; and
- X A Operation Assessment, City of Ann Arbor,≡ June 21, 2000, prepared by American Management Systems, Inc.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Janet L. Chapin  
Acting Clerk of the Council  
Recording Secretary

**ANN ARBOR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
CONTINUED REGULAR SESSION OF OCTOBER 2, 2000  
OCTOBER 9, 2000**

The continued regular session of the Ann Arbor City Council was called to order at 8:53 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber by Mayor Ingrid B. Sheldon.

**ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL**

**PRESENT :** Councilmembers Tobi Hanna-Davies, John Hieftje, Joseph Upton, Joan Lowenstein, Jean Carlberg, Heidi Cowing Herrell, Stephen C. Hartwell, Christopher Kolb, Mayor Ingrid B. Sheldon, 9.

**ABSENT :** Councilmembers Marcia Higgins, Elisabeth L. Daley, 2.

**RESOLUTION DELETED**

Council unanimously agreed to delete the following resolution from the agenda:

Resolution Recognizing National Coming Out Day, October 14,  
2000 (Councilmember Kolb).

**RECESS FOR CLOSED SESSION**

Councilmember Lowenstein moved that the regular session of Council be recessed for an executive session to consider possible land acquisition and to discuss the City Administrator=s evaluation.

On roll call the vote was as follows:

Yeas, Councilmembers Hanna-Davies, Hieftje, Upton, Lowenstein, Carlberg, Herrell, Hartwell, Kolb, Mayor Sheldon, 9;

Nays, 0.

The Mayor declared the motion carried and the meeting recessed at 8:52 p.m. Councilmember Carlberg moved that the regular session of Council be reconvened.

On a voice vote the Mayor declared the motion carried and meeting reconvened at 11:30 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before Council, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Janet L. Chapin  
Acting Clerk of the Council  
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