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RESOLUTION 14-34

WHEREAS, a proposed annual budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2015, has been prepared by the City Manager; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission has examined, studied, and reviewed said proposed annual budget; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission has after due consideration and deliberation, made such amendments and adjustments in the proposed annual budget as they consider necessary, desirable, or expedient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of Yankton, South Dakota, that:

1. The proposed annual budget attached hereto and made a part hereof is approved and effective January 1, 2015.

2. The City Manager is authorized to record all inter-fund transfers as contained in said approved annual budget.

3. The City Manager is authorized and directed to implement and to administer, within the budgetary funding limits and within adopted City policy and relevant State and City laws and regulations, said annual budget.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-229

This was the time and place to award the bid for the Annual Supply of Bulk De-Icing Salt. The following bids were received and opened on September 8, 2014: Blackstrap, Inc., Neligh, Nebraska - \$58.00/ton; Miller & Miller, Inc., Brandon, South Dakota - \$56.00/ton; Nebraska Salt and Grain Company, Gothenburg, Nebraska - \$54.40/ton; Meridian Grain, Freeman, South Dakota - \$53.95/ton. (Memorandum 14-156) Moved by Commissioner Blaaid, seconded by Commissioner Akland, to award the bid to the low bidder, Meridian Grain, Freeman, South Dakota, in the amount of \$53.95 per ton.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-230

Moved by Commissioner Gross, seconded by Commissioner Knoff, to approve the purchase of a Kubota ZD331LP-72 Mower for the Fox Run Golf Course at a cost of \$14,500.00 less trade-in of \$6,500.00 for a final cost of \$8,000.00. (Memorandum 14-157)

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-231

Moved by Commissioner Sommer, seconded by Commissioner Blaaid, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Permanent Landscape Easement Agreement between Farm Credit Services of America, PCA, and the City of Yankton, South Dakota, for property by the Meridian Bridge Plaza for proposed Phase 1 Development of the plaza and to further authorize the City Manager to sign any other administrative documents associated with the easement. (Memorandum 14-158)

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-232

Moved by Commissioner Knoff, seconded by Commissioner Blaaid, to adopt Resolution 14-33. (Memorandum 14-159)

RESOLUTION 14-33

WHEREAS, SDCL 6-13-1 requires a municipality owning personal property which is no longer necessary, useful, or suitable for municipal purposes shall, by resolution, declare it surplus and may, by resolution, order the sale, trade, destruction or other disposal of said personal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following personal property be declared no longer necessary, useful, or suitable for municipal purposes and said property shall be disposed of in accordance with SDCL 6-13-1, et sequential:

SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE SOLD, TRADED, OR DESTROYED

2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Car - VIN #2FAHP71V48X148298; 1995 Chevrolet Lumina - VIN #2G1WL52M4S9209824; 1989 Gumman/Duplex 102 Aerial Fire Truck - VIN #1G9ACHDTOKR88017; Hale Generator - serial no. 1185; Bom-

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gaars Air Compressor; Gas Can - 5 gallon; 2 Gas Cans - 2.5 gallon; 2 Milwaukee Sawsall Cases; Blackhawk Porta-Power and Case; Large Metal Saw Case; 2015 PSI Air Cylinder; SuperVac Backpack Wet Vac; Swintec Typewriter 2640; Rubber Fire Boots - 12 pair; Tone Decoder; JVC Compact VHS Video Camera; 2 - Orion Gas Detectors and Cases; 2 - Domestic Penguin RV Air Conditioning Units - 13,500; 3 - 2005 M-26 Tasers; VHS NK-2 Rewinder; 1984 IBM Wheelwriter 5 Electric Typewriter; IBM Wheelwriter 3 Electric Typewriter; Desk Chair; CD player - 2013 ONN; Correctable film ribbons (3); Lift off tapes (7); Small Computer Table; Metal-framed Orange Chairs; 2 Office Chairs; 40 + older computers; Weight Lifting Curling Bar; Persona C30e 54400 Card Printer; HP Fax Machine 1010; HP C8934A Desktop Printer.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-233

Moved by Commissioner Sommer, seconded by Commissioner Blaaid, to approve Change Order Number 1 from Feimer Construction, Yankton, South Dakota, an increase of \$12,532.00 for a new contract total of \$467,123.00 for the Douglas Avenue Construction Project, to accept the project as complete and to authorize the Finance Officer to issue a manual check to Feimer Construction in the amount of \$144,391.45, as final payment for the project. (Memorandum 14-160)

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-234

Moved by Commissioner Blaaid, seconded by Commissioner Gross, to approve Memorandum 14-163, authorizing the City Manager to sign an amendment to the "Agreement to Donate Real Estate" entered into as of the 12th day of May, 2014, between Alcoa Extrusions, Inc., (currently SAPA) and the City of Yankton, extending the involuntary annexation date to May 31, 2025.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-235

Memorandum 14-161 regarding a proposed engineering services agreement for Tax Increment District (TID) No. 5 was considered. John Brown and Keith DeJong, representing Brown Engineering/Eisenbraun & Associates were present to answer questions about the contract. Moved by Commissioner Sommer, seconded by Commissioner Akland, to approve the engineering services agreement with Eisenbraun & Associates, Yankton, South Dakota, to conduct a field survey and develop a preliminary plan as to how the property between Broadway Avenue and Douglas Avenue north of 33rd Street and south of Wilson Trailer in TID No. 5 can be utilized, and to amend the 2014 budget (501 account) to include fees of \$12,000.00 for these services.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-236

Memorandum 14-162 regarding a proposed engineering services agreement related to TID No. 5 was considered. John Brown and Keith DeJong, representing Brown Engineering/Eisenbraun & Associates were present to answer questions about the contract. Moved by Commissioner Gross, seconded by Commissioner Sommer, to approve the agreement with Eisenbraun & Associates to provide field surveying and design services needed to construct infrastructure associated with Douglas Avenue North of 33rd and Wilson Road between Hwy 81 and Douglas Avenue, and to amend the 2014 budget in the amount of \$329,190.00 for these services.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

Action 14-237

Moved by Commissioner Blaaid, seconded by Commissioner Akland, to adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

Roll Call: All members present voting "Aye;" voting "Nay;" None.

Motion adopted.

David Carda
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Finance Officer
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USD

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its message and its methods to the rapidly changing world, Abbott said.

"We need to put our best foot forward in everything we do with the students," he said. "In a world that moves very fast, we can't move slow. ... If they do everything 'hash-tag' (as with Twitter), that's what we need to do."

Abbott has set a goal of increasing the number of undergraduate transfer students.

"Our number of undergraduate transfers is down," he admitted. "We could do significantly better with undergraduate transfers. Other institutions are more successful than we are at attracting those students."

Abbott also wants to see more international students on the USD campus. The university currently enrolls around 230 foreign students, compared to around 600 at South Dakota State University in Brookings, he said.

In addition, Abbott wants to see better recruitment and retention of minorities. In that respect, USD is focusing on a multi-cultural center and more minority recruitment, he said.

In particular, he wants to see an emphasis on reaching out to American Indians.

"We need to fulfill our ob-

ligations to those (Native American) students whose ancestors were here long before (the rest of) us," he said.

In terms of its overall enrollment, Abbott said USD must increase its graduation rate.

"In 2003, the six-year graduation rate was 44 percent, which included students who started in 1997. In 2013, we projected that rate would increase to 53 percent," he said.

"Having a student returning from Year 1 to Year 2 is critical. We have 82 percent freshmen-to-sophomore retention rate, which is a key to retaining students for a 60 percent graduation rate, plus."

A university's traditions are generally maintained during a student's sophomore and junior years, Abbott said. Freshmen aren't familiar with the campus routine, and seniors are focused on life after graduation.

"The first year, we have to convince (students) they are in the right place," he said.

The key is creating a positive, supportive campus life, Abbott said. He pointed a National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) study that pointed out both positive and negative aspects of USD student experiences.

In general, USD students report they are more positive than other colleges in terms of their interaction

with faculty and academic advisors, the feedback they receive on their work, and their career discussions with advisors.

On the other side, Abbott noted areas that need work. "There are no disasters, but there is room for improvement," he said.

The categories deal with a lack of collaborative work with other students and not dealing as much with quantitative analysis.

"They also have fewer interactions with people who aren't like them in terms of race and ethnicity, economic background, other religions and other political views," Abbott said.

USD students also believe the university should provide more assistance with career services, housing and non-academic needs such as family and jobs.

In response, USD Dean Matt Moen is leading a university-wide committee dealing with out-of-classroom experiences. Moen chaired a similar committee at the University of Maine.

"It's always good to hear what students think," Abbott said.

Abbott spoke on USD research activities and the need for attracting more funding and awards.

He also called for providing students with more opportunities to travel abroad. He also wants to revive the leadership lecture series that brought speakers such

as retired four-star U.S. Army general and former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell to the USD campus.

In conclusion, Abbott provided an update on the "Onward South Dakota" campaign seeking to raise \$250 million. The campaign's goal includes \$112 million for capital projects, \$97 million for student scholarships, \$12 million for student and program enrichment and \$29 million for faculty support.

The "Onward Red Tie Launch Event" will be held Oct. 10 — during the Dakota Days homecoming celebration — at the Muenster University Center on campus.

The Red Tie event features Sioux Falls native and USD graduate Cody Strand. He has starred in a number of theatrical productions, including the critically acclaimed Broadway musical, "The Book of Mormon."

"Onward South Dakota" seeks to surpass the \$134 million raised by the USD Foundation's "Campaign South Dakota" about a decade ago.

"Onward South Dakota" hasn't exactly been kept under wraps, Abbott joked. "It's the world's worst-kept secret," he said, tongue in cheek.

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Teachers

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years ago that we would've had 60, 70, 80 applicants."

The lack of applicants has led some districts, such as Alcester-Hudson, to take alternative steps to fill positions.

Tim Rhead, the district superintendent, said he didn't receive any applicants for their lone Family and Consumer Science position. So Rhead turned to South Dakota State University, who connected him with five soon-to-be education graduates.

Two applied, but one withdrew

before the interview process. Rhead said they hired the remaining student, but she won't start until after she graduates in December.

For this semester, Rhead said the district won't offer a FACS class.

"This is the first time that's ever happened," said Rhead, who calculated the starting pay for his district is about \$1,800 per month excluding benefits.

The district also filled an agriculture teaching position with someone who didn't have a license but has petitioned the state to earn one while he teaches.

Fifty-two superintendents in all said they filled a position with someone who was not fully certified to teach, meaning they could be a long-term substitute, licensed in a different subject, or

unlicensed but seeking one, like the agriculture teacher.

Most school districts in South Dakota began classes about two weeks before the survey was administered on Sept. 5. By the time it was administered, 22 districts said they still had at least one open teaching position.

Kraning in Estelline said the lack of qualified teachers and applicants is going to persist as more teachers retire and fewer choose to enter the workforce in the state.

"What we're seeing South Dakota right now is a perfect storm scenario," he said. "We're not attracting enough new teachers and we're losing veterans in key areas."

Cedar

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crops this season," Jansen said. "The yields are above average, but wet."

He added that the wetter season had both benefits and disadvantages for farmers.

"Some of the heavy rains we had did some damage to fertilizer that had been leaking," Jansen said. "But, because of the higher moisture totals, there was a lot less use of irrigation systems."

However, the next concern for farmers is not added moisture, so much as when the onset of frost and the first hard freeze of the

season will hit, according to Jansen.

"Current weather models have the possibility of light scattered frost across central, north central and northeast Nebraska present Saturday morning," said Al Dutcher Nebraska state climatologist, in a press release issued earlier this week.

"Areas north and east of Nebraska may experience enough clearing for air temperatures to drop into the lower 30s and upper 20s over a widespread area."

The Cropwatch website said the amount of damage to corn from a frost or killing freeze depends largely how cold it gets and for how many hours, and the plant's stage of development.

A killing frost or freeze

won't damage soybeans — or most other crops — after maturity has been reached. A significant freeze of temperatures lower than 28 degrees for more than a few hours prior to maturity will kill the whole plant, resulting in diminished grain filling for the seeds.

Jansen said most soybean and corn fields in Cedar County have not reached maturity.

"We have started to see some yellowing of the leaves but they are just starting," he said. "The forecast for warmer temperatures will be key."

Dutcher said that the final 10 days of the month should consistently be in the mid 70s to mid 80s, which will easily offset the below-

normal temperatures that have dominated the first 10 days of September.

"Barring a hard freeze this weekend, conditions should be favorable to bring the soybean crop to maturity before the next opportunity for freezing temperatures," Dutcher said. "However, based on the current growth stage of replanted corn, the best estimate is the (corn) crop will not be safe from freezing temperatures until the second week of October if normal temperatures are received through physiological maturity."

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MMC

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but we've tried to make that an affordable option for our students."

The key to continuing the growth trend, Tacke said, is to ensure that academics on campus are kept up with modern employment demands and expand technology options.

"You always have to make sure we're continually evaluating the academic programs that we offer," she said.

"There's an ongoing general review where we take a look at our majors (and make sure) we're offering programs that students can eventually get employment in. We're also looking at ways to do more online offerings with our curriculum more for the non-traditional market. We're also looking at ways to try and entice students on a part-time basis."

Currently, total enrollment at MMC's Yankton campus stands at 543 students.

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