

MEETING DATE: January 22, 2007

AGENDA ITEM : Discussion of a Program to Offer Pins or other similar Items to Former Mayors and Members of the City Council

ATTACHMENTS

1. Unofficial Transcript of excerpt from City Council meeting of October 23, 2006

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Request to Discuss Pins for Former Mayors/Councilmembers

Councilmember Gross: And, um...One last thing. There's been some conversation about the possibility of pins like this for former Mayors...I think its, there has been some looking into it. But do we have an interest of creating...providing pins like this that say former Mayor to former Mayors.. Of which I think there are eight living former Mayors. If I am counting right.

City Manager Fulwood: Yes...And, um, I am familiar with that request. But it is something I would need direction or consensus from City Council on...If I am going to do anything with it. So I can...

Councilmember Rose: No...If it means...I have a question. I seems to me that there's... I can think of four living former Councilmen that were never made Mayors. I was just wondering why we'd exclude them.

Councilmember Gross: We can do that too. That's a point.

Councilmember Rose: If we are going to do it.

Mayor Silbiger: You mean because they don't have their former pins or they were never given any.

Councilmember Gross: Well, if they are no longer a Councilmember or no longer a Mayor they obviously don't wear their Mayor pin or their Councilmember pin.... I think they do in many respects or in various situations still are viewed as someone representative of the City in the past. I think is just a nice thing of respect. I have heard of it being done in other cities. So, you know, it could be former Mayor or former Councilmember

Mayor Silbiger: OK. Anyone want to support this?

Vice Mayor Corlin: I think staff should come back...to know what other cities are doing. See if we can do this in some way that it is not emblematic of sitting on the Council now and making sure there can be no confusion by looking at the badge in any way that someone is now sitting.... I know it is hard to let go. I imagine it's hard to let go. I'll find out in April of 2008. But I don't think there is anything wrong with having an emeritus type of a badge of some sort. We have a Council Emeritus...I think quite frankly we should look into finding out if we can give them some kind of a token for those that feel the necessity. They still have their badges I guess they can flash their badges if they want to.

City Manager Fulwood: So therefore, am I hearing that the City Council would like staff to bring it back with recommendations and options for consideration?

Councilmember Rose: So then one of the options should be "Been Mayor."

City Manager Fulwood: Thank you...We will bring this item back.