

(Agenda of meeting was posted in the Courthouse Administration Lobby at 11:14 a.m. on Tuesday, March 16, 1999.)

MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

March 18, 1999

The Board of County Commissioners of Tulsa County met at 9:30 a.m., with the following members present: Robert N. Dick, Chairman, Wilbert E. Collins, Sr., Member, and John Selph, Member. Member absent: none. Others present: Joan Hastings, Bill Thompson, Clay Edwards, Wayne Carr, Dick Blakeley, Brian Edwards, Buck Rudd, Leroy Jones, Larry Glenn, Martha Rupp Carter, Chris Newbold, Neal Kennedy, and Pam Hayes.

Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m., and the following business was transacted:

Thompson distributed the jail population report. He said there were 1,022 prisoners in the jail this morning. They are progressing on plans to move prisoners from the current jail to The David L. Moss Criminal Justice Center. He said the P.S.O. building renovations were going well, and the Sheriffs office will start moving employees into the facility as soon as the telephone and computer lines are installed.

Rupp Carter, Assistant City of Tulsa Attorney, was present to discuss the Amendments to Agreements Relating to Tax Exemption (Tax Incentive District Number One with City of Tulsa). She said three projects were commenced as result of the Local Development Act to develop areas that would not have otherwise been developed: Ambassador Hotel, 11th & Denver apartment project and the Littlefield Building. These developments will be allowed a tax exemption for 5-6 years, depending upon project. The amendments provide the 5-year period and 6-year period will begin at the time the payments are due rather than when the projects are completed. The City of Tulsa is asking all taxing districts to amend commencement dates on their agreements. Blakeley advised he had reviewed the amendments and approved them as to form. Motion was made by Selph, seconded by Collins, to approve the three amendments as presented and authorize execution of the amendments by Chairman. Upon roll call: Selph, yes; Collins, yes; Dick, yes. Motion carried. (CMF #171799, #171800, #171801)

Hastings discussed her March 12 request for 30-minute parking spaces in the parking lot immediately west of the Tulsa County Administration Building. Their needs include four spaces for title company use and one space for couriers from the County Clerks office. Thompson advised the Sheriffs office would still need to use some spaces for transporting prisoners and other needs. He voiced concerns about enforcement and mentioned that they had previously considered putting an access gate at that location. Dick mentioned the county doesn't offer free parking to any other regular users of the courthouse (bail bondsmen, attorneys, etc.) He suggested compensation be paid for the privilege of parking at that location. He also expressed concerns about setting a precedent and mentioned that other elected officials may desire parking spaces next to the Administration Building. Chairman asked Edwards to meet with representatives from the offices of each elected official to come up with recommendations for use of any available parking spaces that come about as a result of moving some of the Sheriffs employees into the renovated P.S.O. Building. The recommendation is to address possible fees and enforcement procedures.

Glenn advised the Inspections division has a storage problem and will soon outgrow their current office space. He requested additional space in the Tulsa County Annex Building. Edwards mentioned he had received a verbal request from Jones for additional space in the Annex Building for the M.I.S. division about 6 months ago and had asked Jones to withhold any formal requests until the time comes for Flintco to vacate the space it presently occupies on the 2nd floor. Rudd suggested that when the Sheriffs office moves out of the Franklin Plaza a secured area could be created in that building for the court documents that are currently under seal and stored in the office previously occupied by the Superintendent of Schools. That would make additional space available in the Annex. Dick advised it would be at least another nine months before Flintco, Inc. is able to vacate the area of the Annex they are occupying. He mentioned concerns about foot traffic if Inspections relocates to another floor; its convenient to have them located on the 1st floor. Glenn agreed. Chairman directed Edwards to meet with Glenn, Jones, Rudd, Chad Higgins and Terry Tallent to address the needs of growing divisions as space in the Annex becomes available. He asked that the recommendations include cost figures for any necessary renovations.