

## **The Reinke Parking Contract**

Given the incomplete and/or inaccurate information that was in the newspapers and on the TV and that is still circulating, I would like to provide some facts related to the City Council's decision not to accept the 2011 parking contract that Greg Reinke submitted to City Council about 6 months ago. The Council instead approved renewal of the 2010 contract. The next morning, Mr. Reinke called the City Attorney to express interest in negotiating the contract, but before the City Attorney was able to notify the City Council of his wish to negotiate, Mr. Reinke called her again and said he was going to proceed in a different direction.

### **2011 Budget**

- City Council cut \$2.4 million dollars from the 2010 General Fund budget, which included cutting more than 1 position, reducing a few positions and reducing services.
- The 2011 General Fund budget included funding to renew the parking contract with Mr. Reinke for the same amount as 2010.

### **The 2010 contract (\$23,100)**

- 70 spaces
- \$30 each per month
- 24 hours a day
- 7 days a week, excluding Halloween Season (the month of October)
- plus \$2,500 escrow account for snow removal.

### **The 2011 contract submitted by Greg Reinke (\$27,104) - increased cost by \$4,000 while eliminating evening and night parking (6:00 p.m. – 8:00 a.m.).**

- 70 spaces
- \$35.20 per month (17.3% increase)
- 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- 7 days a week, excluding Halloween Season (the month of October)
- plus, \$2,500 in escrow for snow removal, plus an additional \$2,500 in case we have a snowy winter.

Given the exclusion of the evening and night parking, and given my fiduciary responsibility to the citizens - particularly in these unstable economic times - I could not in good conscience approve the contract that Mr. Reinke proposed.

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