City of Westminster City Council Study Session October 2, 2006

Mayor McNally called the Study Session to order at 6:40 PM. All Council was in attendance.

City Staff in attendance included: City Manager Brent McFall; Assistant City Manager Steve Smithers; City Attorney Marty McCullough; Police Chief Dan Montgomery; Assistant City Attorney Eugene May; Lead Code Enforcement Officer Joy Tallarico; Liquor Investigations Officer Jeri Elliot; Public Information Specialist Carol Jones; Deputy City Manager for Administration Matt Lutkus; and Management Intern II Aric Otzelberger.

The guests in attendance were Evie Hemphill with the Westminster Window; and Kathy Kelly and Matt Duran of the District 50 Education Foundation.

District 50 Education Foundation Presentation

Kathy Kelly, Director and Matt Duran, President of District 50 Education Foundation delivered a presentation to Council on the future strategic plans for the foundation and a new initiative inviting community and business leaders to attend tours at their schools to see the ways that the Education Foundation has impacted teachers, staff and students within Adams County School District 50. The presenters also discussed fundraising goals and invited Council to the District 50 Education Community Breakfast on Tuesday, October 24 from 8am to 9am at the Doubletree in Westminster. The presentation was informational in nature and no direction was needed from Council.

Proposed Amendments to the City's Liquor Licensing Provisions and Alcohol-Related Police Regulations

Assistant City Attorney Eugene May, Police Chief Dan Montgomery, Lead Code Enforcement Officer Joy Tallarico and Liquor Investigations Officer Jeri Elliot were present to discuss a proposed ordinance that would make various changes to the City Code regarding liquor licensing and alcohol regulations. The proposed changes would amend the City Code to be consistent with recently enacted state laws concerning liquor license classifications, open alcoholic beverages in motor vehicles, and the removal of resealed bottles of vinous liquors by customers from the premises of certain alcohol beverage licensees. In addition, the proposed ordinance would adopt state law requirements that facilitate liquor enforcement efforts.

The proposed ordinance would allow the Westminster Special Permit and License Board to issue a "vintner's restaurant license." The proposed ordinance would also allow opened containers to be stored in a vehicle's trunk area and to be present in certain classes of vehicles, e.g., vehicles for hire. In addition, the proposed ordinance would expand the classes of liquor licensees that are permitted to "cork" the remaining portion of a single container of vinous liquor and allow customers to take that container with them. Finally, the proposed ordinance would allow the Liquor Investigations Officer to write a municipal summons for violating requirements that regulate posting of signage prohibiting the sale of alcohol to any person under twenty-one years of age, possessing an alcoholic beverage that is not permitted by the class of license, and providing alcohol to a visibly intoxicated person.

Council directed Staff to place the proposed ordinance on City Council's agenda for consideration and adoption at a future City Council Meeting.

Orchard Town Center Video Presentation

Council viewed a marketing video for The Orchard Town Center. This presentation was informational in nature and no direction was needed from Council.

Mayor McNally adjourned the Study Session at 7:45pm to go into Executive Session to discuss the Presiding Judge's performance evaluation pursuant to Westminster Municipal Code Section 1-11-3(C)(1) and CRS 24-6-402(4)(f).