

**CITY OF HAWARDEN**  
**APPROVED MINUTES CITY COUNCIL PLANNING SESSION**  
**Hawarden City Hall - Council Chambers Room**  
**Wednesday, February 27, 2008, Immediately following the Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m.**

The Council Meeting was called to order at 5:53 p.m.

Present: Mayor Porter, Mayor Pro Tem Borchers, Council Members Jacobs, Anderson, Hedden, Bauder. Absent: None

Staff Present: Jason Metten, City Administrator/City Clerk; Tom Kane, Public Works Director; Mike DeBruin, Police Chief; Spencer Haacke, Economic Development Director; Jim Pickner, City Attorney Staff Excused: Sharole Rens, Director of Finance.

**Agenda Items**

**1. Review and Discussion of Current Economic Development Projects**

Various downtown business changes were discussed as well as ongoing economic development projects. Staff and Council also discussed a new marketing initiative aimed at workforce attraction and the Hyperion project in South Dakota.

**2. Discussion Regarding the South Pit Recreation Area**

Council and staff discussed efforts made toward a land swap with L.G. Everist, Inc as well as design efforts made in cooperation with the Sioux County Conservation Board.

**3. Discussion of Downtown Revitalization Project**

Staff and Council discussed the results of a survey that was distributed by staff to downtown business owners that attended the informational meeting in January. Discussion was held regarding the scope and scale of a potential project and any possible alternatives to reduce costs. Metten will prepare a resolution authorizing the Mayor or City Administrator to enter into a design and engineering agreement to establish cost estimates for the project that will be considered at the next regular meeting.

Moved to adjourn by Anderson/Borchers. Motion carried unanimously. Council Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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Ricard Porter, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jason R. Metten, City Administrator