

**Mary F Redden**

**From:** Mary F Redden  
**Sent:** Monday, April 17, 2006 11:18 AM  
**To:** Brian P Murphy; Lori G Bluhm; Tonni L Bartholomew; 'v\_lenivov@yahoo.com'; Cristina Broomfield; Dave Lambert (E-mail); Jeanne M. Stine; Louise Schilling; Martin Howrylak (E-mail); Robin Beltramini (E-mail); Wade Fleming  
**Subject:** Response to Question on Agenda Item E-5

I am forwarding John Lamerato's response to the above.

Mary Redden  
 Admin. Assistant to the City Manager

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Recognition of National Day of Prayer is not a new occurrence for the City of Troy. The City of Troy has acknowledged the Federal Government Observance of this Special Event since at least 1995. This item has appeared on past City Council agendas as follows: Consent item on 5 occasions, regular business item on 3 occasions and the remainder under Visitor or Special Invitation. Chapter 85 - Signs Section 85.03.01 Special Event Signs currently exists and contains instructions for anyone who wishes to use special event signage.

As far as whether agenda items are placed on the consent agenda or under regular business: That is strictly the City Manager's call. The City Council as well as visitors can ask for a consent item to be removed from the blanket approval. Items that remain on the consent agenda require a unanimous vote, whereas regular business items require a majority vote or super majority depending on type of item.

John M. Lamerato,  
 Acting City Manager

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Victor Lenivov [mailto:v\_lenivov@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 14, 2006 2:12 PM  
**To:** Louise Schilling; Jeanne Stine; Dave Lambert; Wade Fleming; Martin Howrylak; Robin Beltramini; Cristina Broomfield  
**Cc:** John M Lamerato; Brian P Murphy; Lori G Bluhm; Clerks; Megan Pennefather  
**Subject:** E-5

Dear All,

Since consent agenda items are those which are of a routine nature and are normally expected to be approved, I find this sign request for displaying a sign on city property interesting. Is this a city sponsored event? If yes, please clarify. If not, why is this request being submitted as a consent item when city policy in the past has been not to allow signs on city property except for city sponsored or co-sponsored events. Has the policy changed? If yes, please clarify.

If this item is approved and this event is not sponsored or co-sponsored by the city, I am requesting that a written policy be provided me concerning allowing signs on city property because I have some non-commercial

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but political events that I wish to advertise. I am a long time city resident and a US born citizen. I wish to have equal access and opportunity concerning this issue.

I hope the questions I have raised can be answered and sent to me prior to Monday's meeting. Hopefully this will allieviate the necessity of my speaking and taking up your time at the meeting.

Victor Lenivov

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