



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2023

6:15 PM

or Immediately Following the Joint City Council/Rice County Commissioners Meeting

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Voracek at 7:14 p.m. Councilors Sara Caron, Adama Doumbouya, Royal Ross, Peter van Sluis, Tom Spooner and Chuck Thiele were in attendance. Also in attendance were City Administrator Tim Murray, City Clerk Heather Slechta, Public Works Director Travis Block, Parks and Recreation Director Paul Peanasky, Community & Economic Development Director David Wanberg, Human Resources Director Kevin Bushard, Police Chief John Sherwin, City Engineer Mark DuChene and Library Services Director Delane James.

Presentations/Introductions

Police Chief John Sherwin introduced Police Officer Holt Goodwin to the Council. Officer Goodwin badge was pinned by his wife.

Approve minutes of the June 27, 2023 City Council Meeting

Motion by Ross, seconded by Doumbouya to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2023 City Council Meeting and carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- A. List of Claims for Release
- B. Approve Application and Permit for 1 Day-4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor Licenses for the Faribault Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism and Indemnification Agreement
- C. Resolution 2023-130 Approve LG230 Application to Conduct Off-Site Gambling for Faribault Rotary Youth Service, Inc
- D. Resolution 2023-133 Levying Special Assessments for Delinquent Water, Sewer, and Storm Water Accounts
- E. Accept Professional Services Proposal for River Ridge Fourth Addition Plat Services
- F. Resolution 2023-131 Reassessment of a Portion of Special Assessment Roll #S-F1107 Related to the 2017 Street Overlay and Sidewalk Improvements - Contract 2017-02
- G. Resolution 2023-135 Accept Donation from Marlene Ress Estate to the Fire Department and Police Department
- H. Resolution 2023-136 Accept Donations to the City of Faribault
- I. Resolution 2023-140 Approve Hiring Police Officers
- J. Approve Letter of Support for Upper Cannon River Watershed Flood Risk Reduction Study
- K. Approve 2024 - 2028 Agreement with the Faribault Foundation

Motion by van Sluis, seconded by Thiele to approve Consent Agenda items A-K and carried unanimously.

Requests to be Heard - None

Public Hearings – None

Items for Discussion

Resolution 2023-132 Approve a Variance from Side Yard Setback Requirements for a Garage Addition at 1717 Shumway Avenue

Community and Economic Development Director David Wanberg explained that Daniel and Angeliki the homeowners at 1717 Shumway Avenue, requested to add a third garage stall to their two-car attached garage. The home was built in 1992 and the property survey shows a side setback of 20.1 feet on the

south side of the home. The owners propose building a 12-foot wide addition to the attached two-car garage, leaving an 8.1-foot side yard where 10 feet is required, resulting in a variance of 1.9 feet.

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on June 26, 2023, to consider this variance request. No one from the public spoke regarding this matter. The Planning Commission found that the variance was reasonable based on the shape of the lot and reduction of on-street parking at this location. With a 5-0 vote, the Commission recommended that the City Council approve the variance request based on the findings in the draft resolution

Motion by Thiele, seconded by Ross to approve Resolution 2023-132 Approve a Variance from Side Yard Setback Requirements for a Garage Addition at 1717 Shumway Avenue and carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2023-14 Dedication of Public Right of Way Along Western Avenue (Second Reading) and Approve Summary Publication of Ordinance 2023-14

City Engineer Mark DuChene stated that on June 27, 2023, the Faribault City Council approved the first reading of Ordinance 2023-14, which dedicates the easternmost 30 feet of LOT 1 BLOCK 1 SHOPPES AT 60 & WESTERN as public right of way. The City has received no comments from the public nor made any substantive changes to Ordinance 2023-14 since the first reading.

Motion by Ross, seconded by van Sluis to approve Ordinance 2023-14 Dedication of Public Right of Way Along Western Avenue (Second Reading)

Roll Call Vote:

Aye: Councilor Caron, Doumbouya, Ross, van Sluis, Spooner, Thiele, Mayor Voracek

Nay:

Motion carried 7:0

Motion by Caron, seconded by Thiele to approve Summary Publication of Ordinance 2023-14 and carried unanimously.

Resolution 2023-141 Order Improvements, Approve Plans and Establish Bid Date for City Hall Improvements

Parks and Recreation Director Paul Peanasky stated that Resolution 2023-141 orders the improvements and establishes the bid date for the upgrades to City Hall. The project includes technology and ADA upgrades to the Council Chambers, ADA upgrades to the restrooms on the first floor, renovations to the third-floor conference room and an office, as well as technology upgrades. There is \$696,000 included in the approved 2023 Capital Improvement Plan for improvements. The engineering estimate for this work is \$692,000 to \$762,000 with the higher number including a 10% contingency. Staff is also estimating an additional \$25,000 for furniture replacement which is not part of the bid package.

Bid opening is scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2023. City Council will receive those bids at their August 8, 2023, City Council Meeting for review and approval. The anticipated start date is late August or early September, with the project wrapping up in December.

Councilor Ross had concerns on the total cost of the project, and asked if Staff looked at other options. Peanasky stated that the Council should go out for bids, and then look to see where the project could be changed to lower the price.

Motion by Doumbouya, seconded by Caron to approve Resolution 2023-141 Order Improvements, Approve Plans and Establish Bid Date for City Hall Improvements and carried 6:1 with Councilor Ross voting Nay.

Bids - None

Boards and Commissions Reports, Announcements and Project Updates

Parks and Recreation Director Paul Peanasky stated that the next Community Center Task Force meeting was moved to August 3, 2023.

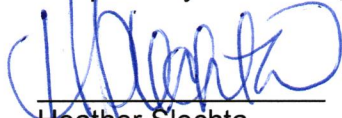
City Administrator Tim Murray informed the Council that there will be an optional tour at Absolute Air next Tuesday, prior to the meeting.

Adjournment

Motion by Spooner, seconded by Thiele to adjourn the City Council meeting and carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Heather Slechta
City Clerk