



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023

6:00 PM

Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Kevin Voracek at 6:00 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, City Engineer Mark DuChene, Parks and Recreation Director Paul Peanasky, Human Resources Director Kevin Bushard and Police Chief John Sherwin.

Presentations/Introductions

A Proclamation Recognizing National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day was read by Mayor Voracek.

A Proclamation Recognizing White Cane Safety Awareness Day was read by Mayor Voracek.

Approve minutes of the September 26, 2023 City Council Meeting, the September 26, 2023 Special City Council Meeting - Closed Session and the October 3, 2023 Special City Council Meeting - Closed Session

Motion by Ross, seconded by Doumbouya to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2023 City Council Meeting, the September 26, 2023 Special City Council Meeting - Closed Session and the October 3, 2023 Special City Council Meeting - Closed Session and carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- A. List of Claims for Release
- B. Resolution 2023-186 Accept Donated Equipment to the Police Department - 24 Automated External Defibrillators
- C. Resolution 2023-187 Accept BJA Rural and Small Department Violent Crime Reduction Program Grant Award
- D. Approve LG240B Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo
- E. Resolution 2023-188 Approve Hiring City Planner
- F. Resolution 2023-189 Approve Hiring Community Services Officer
- G. Approve Quote to Replace Shower Tile and Install Grab Bars
- H. Resolution 2023-192 Approve Faribault's 2023 Energy Action Plan
- I. Resolution 2023-193 Approve MOU to Implement Faribault's 2023 Energy Action Plan

- J. Approve Quote to Repair Chimney at Washington Recreation Center and Budget Revision

Motion by van Sluis, seconded by Doumbouya to approve Consent Agenda Items A-J and carried unanimously.

Requests to be Heard – None

Public Hearings – None

Items for Discussion

Resolution 2023-191 Order Improvements, Approve Plans and Specifications and Set Bid Date for TH 3 Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project - Contract 2023-08

City Engineer Mark DuChene explained that Resolution 2023-191 orders the improvements and approves the construction plans and specifications for the proposed 2023 TH 3 Sanitary Sewer Improvements project - Contract 2023-08 including removal, replacement and construction of a new sanitary sewer trunk main along the south side of TH 3 from Hulett Avenue to 2nd Avenue NW as well as the in-place rehabilitation of a portion of the existing trunk sewer main under TH 3 from the Canadian Pacific Railroad crossing to 2nd Avenue NW.

The preliminary total estimated cost of the improvements, including 5% contingency and 15% engineering, is \$2,756,100. Funding for the project will come from the Sanitary Sewer Utility Fund – 602.

The attached resolution also establishes a bid date of November 8, 2023 for the project. This project has a flexible start date, allowing for construction to start either in 2023 or in the spring of 2024 with substantial completion before the 2024 Rice County Fair. Sewer lining work on the existing trunk main under TH 3 may extend

Mayor Voracek asked if there was a penalty clause if they do not finish in the project by the stated completion date, DuChene stated that there is one written in the contract.

Motion by Ross, seconded by Doumbouya to approve Resolution 2023-191 Order Improvements, Approve Plans and Specifications and Set Bid Date for TH 3 Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project - Contract 2023-08 and carried 6:0 with Councilor van Sluis abstaining due to a possible conflict of interest.

Bids

Resolution 2023-190 Accept Bids for 2023 13th Street NW Watermain Extension - Contract 2023-16

City Engineer Mark DuChene stated that on Monday, October 9, 2023, bids were received for the proposed 2023 13th Street NW Watermain Extension - Contract 2023-16, which includes the construction and extension of an eight-inch waterman in an existing City easement that is planned for the future to be an extension of 13th Street NW from 18th Avenue NW to Lyndale Avenue. The watermain extension is required to provide system

redundancy and backup to the existing 1950's watermain on the Lyndale Avenue right-of-way that has had a number of breaks in the recent past. The Lyndale Avenue watermain is scheduled to be replaced as part of the 2024 CIP.

A summary of the bids was as follows:

Holtmeier Construction Inc, Mankato, MN	\$ 96,454.95
K.A. Witt Construction, New Prague, MN	\$106,157.00
BCM Construction, Inc, Faribault, MN	\$107,890.00
Heselton Construction, Faribault, MN	\$125,496.25
Schumacher Excavating Inc, Zumbrota, MN	\$137,190.00

The total cost of the project including 5% contingencies and engineering fees will be \$117,000.00 and will be paid for out of the Water Utility Fund.

DuChene recommended to award the contract to Holtmeier Construction Inc., Mankato, MN. Construction on the project is scheduled to be substantially completed by the middle of November, 2023.

Mayor Voracek asked for the timeline on this project, DuChene stated that it would be completed this year. He also asked if this project also bid out the failing waterline and if the waterline could be a sleeved, DuChene explained that that project is in the 2024 CIP and that it probably would not be a candidate for a sleeve.

Motion by Spooner, seconded by Ross to approve Resolution 2023-190 Accept Bids for 2023 13th Street NW Watermain Extension - Contract 2023-16 and carried unanimously.

Boards and Commissions Reports, Announcements and Project Updates

City Administrator Tim Murray stated that the roundabout will be open on Friday morning and that a ribbon cutting will occur at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, October 16, 2023.

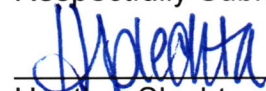
Councilor Spooner asked when the new water tower would be ready—City Engineer Mark DuChene stated that it would be on-line on November 9, 2023. Councilor van Sluis asked how long it would take to fill, DuChene explained the process, and that it takes about a week. van Sluis also asked if the lights would also be ready on the 9th, DuChene stated those would most likely be later due to supply chain issues.

Adjournment

Motion by Doumbouya, seconded by van Sluis to adjourn the City Council meeting and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Heather Slechta
City Clerk