

City of St Paul
Special Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

A special meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Paul, Nebraska was held at City Hall in said City on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Joel M. Bergman and Councilmembers: Brenda Klanecky, Ralph Kezeor, Katie Kowalski & Jerry Thompson. Absent: None. Notice of the meeting was posted in four (4) places. Notice of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice. All proceeds thereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Bergman opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m., announcing that the City of St. Paul abides by the Open Meetings Act, which is posted on the west wall as required by Nebraska State Law. Mayor Bergman also stated that the City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by State Law.

The purpose of the special meeting was to discuss Resolution 2020-17; whereas N.R.S. Section 77-27,142 provides that any incorporated municipality is authorized to impose sales and use tax after an election on said issue that is held and the sales and use tax issue is approved by a majority vote of the electors voting at such election. If approved, the City of St. Paul will impose sales and use tax of ½% (**one-half of one percent**) with the proceeds to be utilized for all lawful municipal purposes such as the payment of bonds regarding the City Sewer Treatment Facility and/or a Downtown Revitalization Project.


Council member Kowalski moved to approve Resolution 2020-17; whereas, the Mayor and Council deem November 3, 2020, in conjunction with the statewide General election, as an appropriate time to submit to the voters of the City of St. Paul, Nebraska, the question of imposing a sales and use tax of ½% (one-half of one percent), in addition to the one percent sales tax already in effect, for a total of one and one-half percent (1.50%) upon the same transactions within the City of St. Paul, Nebraska, on which the State of Nebraska is authorized to impose a tax, with the proceeds collected therefrom to be used for all lawful municipal purposes, including, but not limited to providing property tax relief by applying such sales tax proceeds to the payment of bonds regarding a new Sewer Treatment Facility and/or a Downtown Revitalization (DTR) project of the City. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

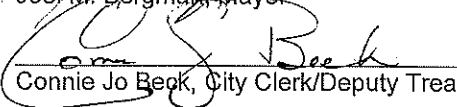
Once the Sewer Treatment Facility financing bond is paid off, the City sales tax will cease; at this time the City Council members will have a discussion whether to go after another ballot issue.

There was no further business to come before this session of the Council.

Mayor Bergman closed the workshop at 6:17 p.m.

DATE: September 8, 2020


Joel M. Bergman, Mayor


Connie Jo Beck, City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer