

City of St. Paul Regular Meeting  
704 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
St. Paul, NE 68873

Monday, July 20, 2020

A meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of St. Paul, Nebraska was held at City Hall in said City on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 7:00 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 given in advance thereof by publication in the Phonograph Herald, a legal newspaper published in said City and County. Notice of the meeting was also 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 Community Development Agency (CDA) meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the "Pledge of Allegiance" and thanking the public for attending and 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.

Mayor Bergman opened the Community Development Agency (CDA) meeting at 7:01 p.m. to make minor modifications and to amend the Redevelopment Plan of the Dalton Meadows Subdivision. Caitlin Jerabek was in attendance to answer any questions from the Mayor and City Council.

Council member Kezeor moved to approve the Community Development Agency (CDA) Resolution 2020-12; making a minor modification and amendment to the Dalton Meadows Subdivision Redevelopment Plan and to clarify the housing types permitted on certain lots. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Caitlin Jerabek was in attendance to answer questions from the Mayor and City Council. Utility Superintendent Helzer discussed the "Conditional Use" permit regarding Lots One (1) and Two (2), Dalton Meadows Subdivision.

Council member Kowalski moved to approve the Community Development Agency (CDA) Resolution 2020-13; authorizing and approving the Second Amendment to the Redevelopment Agreement pertaining to the Dalton Meadows Subdivision. The Redeveloper and the CDA desire to amend the Redevelopment Agreement and to clarify that certain additional housing type are permitted on certain lots in conformance with the minor modifications. The Redeveloper shall be allowed to construct Single Family Attached dwelling units on Lots One (1), Two (2), Seven (7), Eight (8) and Nine (9) and construct Multi-Family dwelling units on Lots One (1) and Two (2), Dalton Meadows Subdivision. Council member Kezeor seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Mayor Bergman adjourned the Community Development Agency (CDA) meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Mayor Bergman opened the regular City Council meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Individuals who have appropriate agenda items for City Council consideration should complete the "Request for Future Agenda Items" form located at the City Office. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given.

There was an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items. Those individuals were asked to reserve time to speak.

Bob Dvorak was present to speak on behalf of Lori Kelly that lives at the "Lake of the Woods". Mr. Dvorak stated that Ms. Kelly is in need of large chunks of concrete to place in the river by her home, due to the river bank eroding away. Mr. Dvorak stated that Ms. Kelly needs massive amounts of concrete to remedy the erosion problem. Ms. Kelly is more than willing to pay the

cost of the cement. Street Commissioner Jamie Klanecky and Utility Superintendent Helzer don't have a problem with Mr. Dvorak acquiring the larger pieces of cement. Council member Kezeor moved to approve Mr. Dvorak utilizing the larger pieces of cement for Ms. Kelly. Council member Klanecky seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Mayor Bergman stated that the City will figure a cost per tonnage of the acquired cement.

Council member Klanecky moved to approve Resolution 2020-14; to provide for the sale of City Lot One (1) and part of Lot Two (2), Block 64, Original Town in the City of St. Paul, Howard County, Nebraska, and to provide for a method of sale. The property described above has been determined to have a fair market value less than \$5,000; the property will be sold on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers prior to the regular City Council meeting. Council member Kezeor seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Kowalski moved to approve the City Treasurer's Report for June 2020. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Kowalski introduced Ordinance #1010 relating to fireworks; providing the type of fireworks allowed; providing the time when fireworks may be sold in the City of St. Paul; to repeal conflicting ordinances and sections; to provide an effective date. Council member Thompson waived the three (3) readings of Ordinance 1010 at three (3) different occasions. Council member Kezeor seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0. Council member Kowalski moved for final passage of Ordinance 1010. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Kowalski moved to approve the St. Paul Development Corp. (609 Howard Avenue) Property Improvement application regarding the removal of the awning, recover and then reinstall; costing \$990 with Tri-City Sign Co. performing the work. Council member Thompson seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

Council member Klanecky moved to approve the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) 2020-2021 Renewal Resolution No. 2020-15. This would provide a written notice of termination at least 180 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2023; 180 day and three (3) year commitment; 5% discount. Council member Kezeor seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kezeor, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, nays none. Motion carried 4/0.

After a lengthy discussion on purchasing a used dump truck to be utilized by the Street Department; the topic was tabled, so that it could be considered at the 2020-2021 Budget workshop on Wednesday, July 29, 2020. Street Commissioner Klanecky was in attendance to answer questions.

Council member Thompson moved to approve Resolution 2020-16; an amendment to the City of St. Paul Flex/HRA Medical plan. This is based on the CARES ACT changes, which allows over-the-counter (OTC) items without a prescription and feminine products; they are now allowable for reimbursement. Council member Kowalski seconded the motion. Council members Klanecky, Kowalski & Thompson voted aye, Council member Kezeor voted nay. Motion carried 3/1.

Chief of Police Marcus Paczosa was in attendance to discuss the COPS Hiring Program grant; the grant is \$125,000 in federal funds over a three (3) year award period. Within the three (3) year period, the City's local cash match requirement is \$66,773. The award begins July 1, 2020 and ends June 30, 2023. In the fourth year, the City absorbs 100% of the Police Officer wages and benefits. At 8:19 p.m. Council member Kowalski requested to move to Agenda Item #17 to discuss hiring a full-time City Police Officer; there was no objection from the other Council members. Council member Kowalski had numerous questions for Chief Paczosa, which pertained to the grant, hiring and budget. Agenda Item #16 and #17 were tabled until the 2020-2021 Budget workshop.

Utility Superintendent Helzer updates included: (1) Drone footage of the Howard Avenue project; (2) Paving of the Sheridan Street intersection will take priority over the other intersections; there is approximately one (1) block of sidewalk to pour with cement; and (3) Recycling Center gate pad-lock is missing; a security system was discussed.

Chief of Police Paczosa submitted an "Incident & Nuisance" report, along with reporting on police business such as nuisances, a City firearm through the Law Enforcement Training Center and Trev Sharman's graduation date is set for Friday, August 21, 2020.

Council member Klanecky reported on City recycling and submitted a Financial Statement to City Clerk Beck from the Loup Central Landfill for review and filing.

Mayor Bergman updates included: (1) the 2020-2021 Budget workshop will be on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 beginning at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers; (2) the proposed 2020-2021 Budget hearing for public input will be on Monday, August 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.; (3) the Civic Center loan payment was made in the amount of \$155,209 to the Homestead Bank on July 10, 2020; (4) the Rural Economic Development Loan Grant (REDLG) checking account funds were transferred to the ICS Account at Citizens Bank to receive a higher interest rate; and (5) Cody Brennick was hired as a City employee on July 13, 2020; he will work in the Street Department.

Mayor Bergman adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:43 p.m.

8-3-20  
Date

Connie To Beck  
Connie To Beck, City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer

Joel M. Bergman  
Joel M. Bergman, Mayor

City Employee Hourly Wages: Non-union – Utility Superintendent - \$32.95, City Clerk - \$30.68, Chief of Police - \$30.68, Police Sergeant - \$24.81, Police Officers - \$17.00 to \$22.11, Library employees - \$10.72 to \$17.00, Housekeeping - \$15.00.

Seasonal Hourly Wages - \$11.00 to \$11.50, Landfill - \$11.46, Pool employees - \$8.00 to \$16.00 and EMT's (transports) \$15.00 hourly.

Union Hourly: Light Commissioner - \$32.67, Lineman - \$28.82, Water Commissioner - \$29.35, Water Operator - \$22.28, Sewer Superintendent - \$24.38, Street Commissioner - \$23.63, Equipment Operator - \$17.43, Deputy City Clerk - \$19.80, Payroll Clerk - \$16.12, Utility Clerk - \$20.28, Parks Manager - \$22.13.

Mayor: \$2,400; City Council: \$1,600; City Treasurer \$1,600; City Clerk: \$1,800