July 10, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

The July 10, 2023 Regular City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Steve Knepper. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Delaney, Hosch, Kelchen, Oliphant and Rausch answered roll call.

Motion Kelchen, second Oliphant to approve the agenda. All Ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment.

Speakers from the floor: None.

Motion Oliphant, second Hosch to approve the consent agenda items: City Council Minutes 6/26/23 and 6/30/23, Library Board 7/5/23; July 10, 2023 claims and June 2023 Financial Reports; 5-day Liquor License for Corner Taproom. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Presentation given by Hailey Rausch, Chamber Director, regarding the possible creation of a joint Full-Time position.

Motion Oliphant, second Delaney to approve Resolution #58-23 Approval to Create a Full-Time, Jointly Funded Marketing, Promotion, Volunteer Coordinator and Progress and Create an Ad-Hoc Hiring Committee. Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding the Funding and Service Agreement for the CEDC FY24. Ken McDermott provided handouts along with Kelly Deutmeyer and Holly McPherson of ECIA.

Motion Delaney, second Oliphant to approve Ordinance #08-23 Vacant Building Registration as revised (First of Three Readings). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion Oliphant, second Rausch to approve Resolution #59-23 Approval of Dubuque County Secondary Roads Agreement RCTP Funding for 2nd Ave NE (\$25,000). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding proceeding to finalize plans and quotes for the 2nd Ave NE project. Staff was directed to proceed.

Motion Delaney, second Rausch to approve Ordinance #09-23 Street Naming (First of Three Readings). Roll Call Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion took place regarding the Installation of Speed Feedback Equipment – Highway 136. City Council supports the installation.

Discussion took place regarding the City Park Parking Lot Improvements At Time of Hwy 136 Reconstruction. Staff was directed to work on project estimates.

Discussion took place regarding the Change in Housing Units for 201 2nd Ave SW and Street Bump Outs on Buchanan Street and regarding the Public Parking Lot West of 201 2nd Ave SW Costs. City Council supports the change in units and further investigation on the bump outs. In addition, staff was directed to add the parking lot to the Fall 2023 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment.

Discussion on Current Resolution 81-14 Water and Sewer Forgiveness Policy Changes and Adding the One Time Lawn Watering Forgiveness to New Construction. Staff will update the Resolution for consideration at the next meeting.

Discussion on Adding the Requirement of a Tracer Wire Box Bracket for Plastic Water Service Lines. Staff will bring an updated Ordinance to the next meeting.

Discussion on Duty to Trim Trees and Dangerous, Dead and Diseased Tree Ordinance Enforcement. City Council supports enforcement of this ordinance.

Discussion on Park Rules Ordinance and Permission to Have Kegs of Beer. Staff will look at adding signage to the River Park.

Kotter provided additional information and staff updates.

No public comment.

Motion Kelchen, second Delaney adjourn at 8:09pm. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Kathy Goerdt, City Clerk

Steven J. Knepper, Mayor