



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Council Session

Item G-2

Approving Minutes of August 30, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
August 30, 2022

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska was conducted in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 100 East First Street, on August 30, 2022. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on August 24, 2022.

Mayor Roger G. Steele called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Mike Paulick, Justin Scott, Michelle Fitzke, Mark Stelk, Jason Conley, Vaughn Minton, Bethany Guzinski, Maggie Mendoza, Mitch Nickerson, and Chuck Haase. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Jerry Janulewicz, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Patrick Brown, Interim City Attorney Stacy Nonhof and Public Works Street Superintendent Shannon Callahan.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: Motion by Minton, second by Nickerson to adjourn to the Board of Equalization. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2022-BE-1 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for Railside Business Improvement District. Finance Director Patrick Brown reported that the 2022-2023 Budget provided for special assessments on land and real property in the District as of January 1, 2022 in the amount of \$0.2625461 per \$100 of real property. The total taxable value of \$51,349,093 provides for assessments of \$133,842.76. Staff recommended approval.

Amos Anson, 4243 Arizona Avenue answered questions regarding the Festoon Lighting.

Motion by Guzinski, second by Stelk to approve Resolution #2022-BE-1. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2022-BE-2 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for Fonner Park Business Improvement District. Finance Director Patrick Brown reported that the budgeted assessments for Fonner Park Business Improvement District of \$53,202 would be charged to property owners in the district based on their front footage. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Paulick, second by Mendoza to approve Resolution #2022-BE-2. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2022-BE-3 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for South Locust Business Improvement District. Finance Director Patrick Brown reported that the budgeted assessments for South Locust Business Improvement District of \$104,616.97 would be charged to property owners in the district based on their front footage. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Stelk, second by Conley to approve Resolution #2022-BE-3. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2022-BE-4 - Consideration of Determining Benefits for Vehicle Off-Street Parking District #3. Finance Director Patrick Brown reported that the budgeted assessments for Vehicle Off-Street Parking District #3 of \$71,849.59 or \$0.0441/square foot would be charged to property owners in the district based on the entire square footage of their buildings. Staff recommended approval.

Elaine Rivera, 123 E. South Front Street asked that her parking assessment be waived as they had no parking in and around the building which was being used as a church. Assistant Finance Director Brian Schultz explained how the assessments were calculated.

Motion by Minton, second by Guzinski to approve Resolution #2022-BE-4.

Motion by Haase, second by Nickerson to amend the motion and give a 50% deduction to parcel #40004119 and #40004127. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Haase, Nickerson, Conley, Scott, and Paulick voted aye. Councilmembers Mendoza, Guzinski, Minton, Stelk, and Fitzke voted no. Mayor Steele voted no. Motion failed.

Upon roll call vote on the main motion, Councilmembers Haase, Nickerson, Mendoza, Guzinski, Minton, Stelk, Fitzke, Scott, and Paulick voted aye. Councilmember Conley voted no. Motion adopted.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Minton, second by Guzinski to return to Regular Session. Motion adopted.

ORDINANCES:

Councilmember Minton moved “that the statutory rules requiring ordinances to be read by title on three different days are suspended and that ordinances numbered:

- #9894 - Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Section 2-18 Relative to Mayor Compensation (Second and Final Reading)
- #9895 - Consideration of Approving Salary Ordinance
- #9896 - Consideration of Approving FY2022-2023 Annual Single City Budget and the Annual Appropriations Bill
- #9897 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Railside Business Improvement District
- #9898 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Fonner Park Business Improvement District
- #9899 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for South Locust Business Improvement District
- #9900 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Vehicle Off-Street Parking District #3

be considered for passage on the same day upon reading by number only and that the City Clerk be permitted to call out the number of these ordinances on second reading and then upon final passage and call for a roll call vote on each reading and then upon final passage.” Councilmember Nickerson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#9894 - Consideration of Amending Grand Island City Section 2-18 Relative to Mayor Compensation (Second and Final Reading)

Human Resources Director Aaron Schmid reported this ordinance was approved by the City Council on first reading at their August 23, 2022 City Council meeting.

Jay Vavricek, 2729 Brentwood Blvd. spoke in favor of increasing the Mayor's salary above \$16,000.00.

Motion by Paulick, second by Haase to take no action on Ordinance #9894. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#9895 - Consideration of Approving Salary Ordinance

Human Resources Director Aaron Schmid reported this ordinance was part of the budget process. He explained this ordinance reflected the union contracts and the non-union salary survey.

Motion by Paulick, second by Stelk to approve Ordinance #9895.

Discussion was held regarding those employees who did not get a raise. Finance Director Patrick Brown stated there was a 5% increase for all non-union positions figured in to the salary ordinance and five employees whose salary did not change due to the salary survey.

Motion by Haase, second by Scott to establish a minimum increase of 3% to the minimum and maximum rates for non-union members in Section 1 receiving a 3% or less increase based on comparability and COLA, excluding those whose adjustments were approved previously since October 1, 2021 such as Police Chief and Public Works Director positions and the 2 AFSCME positions listed in this Section. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Haase, Nickerson, Conley, Stelk, and Scott voted aye. Councilmembers Mendoza, Guzinski, Minton, Fitzke, and Paulick voted no. Mayor Steele vote no. Motion failed.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9895 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9895 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2022-237 - Consideration of Approving FY 2022-2023 General Property and Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Tax Request. Finance Director Patrick Brown stated this item relates to the Public Hearing item E-2 from the Special Meeting of August 30, 2022.

Motion by Paulick, second by Stelk to approve Resolution #2022-237. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2022-238 - Consideration of Approving FY 2022-2023 Annual Budget for Parking District #2 (Ramp)Tax Request. Finance Director Patrick Brown stated this item relates to the Public Hearing item E-3 from the Special Meeting of August 30, 2022.

Motion by Minton, second by Guzinski to approve Resolution #2022-238. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

ORDINANCES:

#9896 - Consideration of Approving FY2022-2023 Annual Single City Budget and the Annual Appropriations Bill

This item was related to the Public Hearing at the Special Meeting held just before this meeting. Discussion was held regarding the 5 year projections of the budget. Fire Chief Cory Schmidt answered questions regarding the 3 FTE;s and how to fill those positions.

Motion by Paulick, second by Minton to approve Ordinance #9896.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9896 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9896 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9896 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9897 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Railside Business Improvement District

This item was related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Guzinski, second by Nickerson to approve Ordinance #9897

City Clerk: Ordinance #9897 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9897 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9897 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9898 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Fonner Park Business Improvement District

This item was related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Scott, second by Fitzke to approve Ordinance #9898.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9898 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9898 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9898 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9899 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for South Locust Business Improvement District

This item was related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Paulick, second by Conley to approve Ordinance #9899.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9899 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9899 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9899 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9900 - Consideration of Approving Assessments for Vehicle Off-Street Parking District #3

This item was related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Guzinski, second by Minton to approve Ordinance #9900.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9900 on first reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on first reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9900 on second and final reading. All those in favor of this passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Steele: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9900 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Paulick, second by Scott to approve the Consent Agenda. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

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#2022-234 - Approving Proposal for Furnace & Air Conditioner Replacement at the Grand Generation Center with Jerry's Sheet Metal Heating and Cooling Co. or Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$37,280.00.

#2022-235 - Approving Microsoft Licensing Enterprise Agreement with CDW-G, Nebraska State Contract reseller in an Amount of \$448,639.38 for three years.

#2022-236 - Approving 2022 Police Department Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Application and MOU.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Minton, second by Guzinski to adjourn to Executive Session at 9:30 p.m. for the purpose of a strategy session pending litigation. Unanimously approved.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Nickerson, second by Minton to return to Regular Session at 9:57 p.m. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk