



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, August 25, 2015

Council Session

Item G-1

Approving Minutes of August 11, 2015 City Council Regular Meeting

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CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
August 11, 2015

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 11, 2015. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on August 6, 2015.

Mayor Jeremy L. Jensen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Council members were present: Mitch Nickerson, Mark Stelk, Jeremy Jones, Chuck Haase, Julie Hehnke, Linna Dee Donaldson, Michelle Fitzke, Vaughn Minton, Roger Steele, and Mike Paulick. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Marlan Ferguson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Interim Finance Director William Clingman, City Attorney Robert Sivick, and Public Works Director John Collins.

Mayor Jensen introduced Community Youth Council member Carolyn Thayer.

INVOCATION was given by Pastor Carl Eliason, Peace Lutheran Church, 1710 N. North Road followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION: Motion by Donaldson, second by Hehnke to adjourn to the Board of Equalization. Motion adopted.

#2015-BE-3 - Consideration of Determining Benefits and Levy Special Assessments for Westgate Road Paving District No. 1261; North Road to Copper Road. Public Works Director John Collins reported that all work had been completed and special assessments had been calculated for the improvements. The total assessable amount was \$628,454.25. Staff recommended approval.

Motion by Nickerson, second by Stelk to approve Resolution #2015-BE-3. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Donaldson, second by Hehnke to return to Regular Session. Motion adopted.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request from Bosselman Pump & Pantry, Inc. dba, Pump & Pantry #8, 2028 No. Broadwell Avenue for a Class "D" Liquor License. City Clerk RaNae Edwards reported that an application for a Class "D" Liquor License had been received from Bosselman Pump & Pantry, Inc. dba Pump & Pantry #8, 2028 No. Broadwell Avenue. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on July 23, 2015; notice to the general public of date, time, and place of hearing published on August 1, 2015; notice to the applicant of date, time, and place of hearing

mailed on July 23, 2015; along with Chapter 4 of the City Code. Staff recommended approval contingent upon final inspections. Brandi Bosselman, 963 Schimmer Drive spoke in support. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 City of Grand Island and Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Budgets. City Administrator Marlan Ferguson stated it was an honor to present the 2015-2016 Fiscal budget. Interim Finance Director William Clingman gave an overview of the 2015-2016 Budget. This public hearing would stay open until the September 8, 2015 City Council meeting at which time the Council will take action. Rob Czapski, 3004 West 10th Street; Alan Lepler, 604 So. Madison; and Ed Meedel, 4258 Augusta Parkway spoke in support of the Library FTE. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easements Located at 602 West Stolley Park Road (Grand Island Public Schools). Public Works Director John Collins reported that acquisition of a utility easement located at 602 West Stolley Park Road was needed in order to allow for the construction, operation, maintenance, extension, repair, replacement, and removal of public utilities within the easement for the addition at Barr Junior High School. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

RESOLUTION:

#2015-217 - Consideration of Approving Proposed FTEs for the 2015-2016 Budget. Interim Finance Director William Clingman reported that on July 21, 2015 the proposed full time equivalent (FTE) position changes for the 2015-2016 Budget were presented to Council. The requested FTEs create a net increase of 11.8944 in allocated FTEs and an estimated total cost increase of \$650,687 for the 2015-2016 proposed budget.

Motion by Nickerson, second by Paulick to postpone Resolution #2015-217 to the August 18, 2015 Special Budget Meeting. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

ORDINANCES:

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

- #9548 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easements Located at 602 West Stolley Park Road (Grand Island Public Schools)
- #9549 - Consideration of Salary Ordinance
- #9550 - Consideration of Assessments for Westgate Road Paving District No. 1261; North Road to Copper Road
- #9551 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easement Located at 620 West State Street (Super Market Developers, Inc.)

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 this ordinance 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.

#9548 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easements Located at 602 West Stolley Park Road (Grand Island Public Schools)

Public Works Director John Collins reported that the developer/property owner, Grand Island Public Schools was requesting to vacate such dedicated utility easements within Grand Island School Addition Subdivision. There were no utilities currently within these easements that would be affected by the vacation.

Motion by Paulick, second by Stelk to approve Ordinance #9548.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9548 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 #9548 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9548 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9549 - Consideration of Salary Ordinance

Human Resources Director Aaron Schmidt reported that a Salary Ordinance was presented each year as a part of the budget process. The following information showed the average increases for each respective group:

AFSCME Labor Agreement will increase on average by 8.47%
FOP Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 2.5%
IAFF Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 3.4%
IBEW Finance Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 3.92%
IBEW Service/Clerical Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 3.84%
IBEW Utilities Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 3.26%
IBEW WWT Labor Agreement will increase on an average by 3.53%
Non-Union will increase on an average by 5.03%

City Attorney Robert Sivick answered questions concerning the FTE positions in the salary ordinance that had not been approved by Council. He stated this was not a problem and would be in place if the positions were filled.

Motion by Paulick, second by Minton to approve Ordinance #9549.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9549 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 #9549 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9549 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9550 - Consideration of Assessments for Westgate Road Paving District No. 1261; North Road to Copper Road

This item related to the aforementioned Board of Equalization.

Motion by Haase, second by Minton to approve Ordinance #9550.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9550 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 #9550 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9550 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

#9551 - Consideration of Vacation of Utility Easement Located at 620 West State Street (Super Market Developers, Inc.)

Public Works Director John Collins reported that the developer/property owner, Super Market Developers, Inc., was requesting to vacate a utility easement located at 620 West State Street within Home Subdivision. There were no utilities currently within this easement that would be affected by the vacation.

Motion by Hehnke, second by Donaldson to approve Ordinance #9551.

City Clerk: Ordinance #9551 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 #9551 on second and final reading. All those in favor of the passage of this ordinance on second and final reading, answer roll call vote. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

Mayor Jensen: By reason of the roll call votes on first reading and then upon second and final readings, Ordinance #9551 is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

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

Approving Minutes of July 28, 2015 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Appointment of Bruce Swihart to the Fonner Park Business Improvement District 2013 Board.

Approving Re-Appointment of Doug Jensen to the Animal Advisory Board.

Approving Request of Fonner Park Exposition and Events Center, Inc. (Heartland Events Center) for Ratification of Nomination and Election of Board of Directors.

Approving Liquor Manager Designation for Samantha Minne, 109 East 9th Street for Fiesta Latina/Klub Lavish, 2815 South Locust Street.

#2015-205 - Approving Keno Satellite Location and Agreement for Whitey's, Inc. dba Whitey's Bar and Grill, 2118 North Webb Road.

#2015-206 - Approving Annual Agreement for Financial Software Licensing and Support with Tyler Technologies, Inc. in an Amount of \$152,137.65.

#2015-207 - Approving Annual Payment for Utility Billing Software Support with N. Harris Computer Corporation dba Advanced Utility Systems in an Amount of \$66,241.88.

#2015-208 - Approving Bid Award for Liquid Ortho-Polyphosphate for Corrosion Control - Utilities Department with Carus Phosphates, Inc., of Peru, Illinois, for a not to exceed price of \$18.320 per million gallons of water treated, in an Annual Amount Estimated at \$82,440.00.

#2015-209 - Approving Continuation of Water Main District 468 - Stauss Road.

#2015-210 - Approving Mutual Access (Easement) Agreement for Parkview I Well Area.

#2015-211 - Approving Declaration of Emergency Repair for Water Main at S. Eddy Street & Fonner Park Road.

#2015-212 - Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement Located at 602 West Stolley Park Road (Grand Island Public Schools).

#2015-213 - Approving Change Order No. 1 for South Blaine Street Bridge Replacements; Project No. 2014-B-1 with The Diamond Engineering Co. of Grand Island, NE for an Increase of \$40,994.72 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$425,978.67.

#2015-214 - Approving Change Order No. 4 for North Interceptor Phase II; Project No. 2013-S-4 with S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. of Rockville, MN for a Decrease of \$40,651.39 and a Revised Contract Amount of \$21,285,423.51.

#2015-215 - Approving Bid Award for Community Development Block Grant Handicap Ramps 4th to 5th Streets; Sycamore Street to Eddy Street; Project No. 2014-2G with Prairie Land Construction, Inc. of Loomis, NE in an Amount of \$447,335.60.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2015-216 - Consideration of Request from Bosselman Pump & Pantry, Inc. dba, Pump & Pantry #8, 2028 No. Broadwell Avenue for a Class "D" Liquor License and Liquor Manager Designation for Brian Fausch, 2009 West Highway 34. This item relates to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Paulick, second by Hehnke to approve Resolution #2015-216. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2015-218 - Consideration of Approving Health and Dental Benefits. Human Resources Director Aaron Schmid reported that the new fiscal and plan years were set to begin on October 1, 2015 and it was customary to bring the health insurance renewal forward as well as funding requirements. The City budgeted \$8.817 million for fiscal year 2015/2016 for health and dental insurance expenses. The budgeted amount covered items such as payment of claims, administrative fees, and HSA contributions.

The contract with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska (BCBSNE) specified administrative fees of \$30.00 per employee per month. Individual stop loss coverage would cost \$114.98 per employee per month and the aggregate stop loss coverage would cost \$5.64 per employee per month. The contract with Strong Financial would cost \$1,654 per month. COBRA administration would be handled by Discovery Benefits, Inc. (DBI). The cost for COBRA administration would be \$0.70 per employee per month for the term of the contract. The fees associated with the wellness screenings would be \$67.45 per participant for the duration of the contract. Staff recommended approval.

Cal Strong representing Strong Financial Resources commented on the CHI St. Francis contract which was a 2 year contract. Discussion was held regarding the increase of 14% in the budget. Mr. Schmid stated it was a precaution. Explained was the high deductible benefit.

Motion by Haase, second by Jones to approve Resolution #2015-218. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Donaldson, second by Fitzke to approve the Claims for the period of July 29, 2015 through August 11, 2015, for a total amount of \$6,640,169.18. Unanimously approved.

SPECIAL ITEMS:

Discussion Concerning the Proposed Fiscal Year 2015-2016 City of Grand Island and Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA) Budgets. Regional Planning Director Chad Nabity presented the 2015-2016 CRA budget. Requested was property tax asking of \$732,050 with a proposed levy of \$0.026. Reviewed were the CRA budget highlights. Carry over projects were: Super 8 Façade; Life Safety Grant for Tower 217; and downtown residential grants for Labor Temple building.

Discussion was held regarding the façade projects. Mr. Nabity stated there was a 70% match from the business. Fire safety was limited to \$20,000 for a 2 bedroom apartment and \$15,000 for a 1 bedroom apartment. The owners had to complete the project before the funds were released. Discussion was held regarding the ending cash balance³. Comments were made about the good things going on in CRA.

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Donaldson, second by Nickerson to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. for the purpose of a strategy session with respect to Litigation which is Imminent as Evidenced by Communication or a Claim or Threat of Litigation to or by the Public Body. Unanimously approved.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: Motion by Paulick, second by Hehnke to return to Regular Session at 8:30 p.m. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk