



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, November 24, 2009

Council Session

Item G1

Approving Minutes of November 10, 2009 City Council Regular Meeting

Staff Contact: RaNae Edwards

CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 10, 2009

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 November 10, 2009. Notice of the meeting was given in *The Grand Island Independent* on November 4, 2009.

Mayor Hornady called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following City Councilmember's were present: Meyer, Niemann, Gilbert, Haase, Carney, Dugan, Ramsey, Nickerson, Zapata, and Gericke. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator Jeff Pederson, City Clerk RaNae Edwards, Finance Director Mary Lou Brown, Assistant City Attorney Wes Nesor, and Public Works Director Steve Riehle.

INVOCATION was given by Mayor Hornady followed by the PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

MAYOR COMMUNICATION: Mayor Hornady introduced Community Youth Council members Audie Aguilar, Andres Gamboa, Kiara Solorzano along with Board member Carole Ostdiek. Also mentioned was the "Create Your Community" Art Contest for grades K-12 which would be held at the Conestoga Mall on November 21st and 22nd.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Proclamation "National Adoption Month" November, 2009. Mayor Hornady proclaimed the month of November 2009 as "National Adoption Month". Present to receive the proclamation were Yolanda Nuncio and Marge Creason.

Presentation of the Law Enforcement Memorial to the City of Grand Island. Russ Zeeb, Chairman of the Law Enforcement Memorial Committee thanked the City of Grand Island for its support with the new Law Enforcement Memorial. Recognized were Police Chief Steve Lamken, Sgt. Dale Hilderbrand of the Grand Island Police Department, Fire Chief Troy Hughes of the Grand Island Fire Department, and Councilmember John Gericke for all their help on the committee. Not present but recognized was Captain Mark Bonsar of the Grand Island Fire Department.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Public Hearing on Request from Firehouse Bar, Inc. dba The Firehouse Bar, 418 West 4th Street for an Addition of a Beer Garden to Class "C-86044" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that an application for an addition of a beer garden to Class "C-86044" Liquor License had been received from Firehouse Bar, Inc. dba The Firehouse Bar, 418 West 4th Street. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on October 22, 2009; notice to the general public of date, time, and place of hearing published on October 31, 2009; notice to the applicant of date, time, and place of hearing mailed on October 22, 2009; along with Chapter 4 of the City Code. Staff recommended approval contingent upon final inspections. Ruby Cargill, 418 West 4th Street spoke in support. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Request from Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, Inc. dba Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, 1607 South Locust Street for a Catering Addition to Class "C-60081" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that an application for a catering addition to Class "C-60081" Liquor License had been received from Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, Inc. dba Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, 1607 South Locust Street. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on October 22, 2009; notice to the general public of date, time, and place of hearing published on October 31, 2009; notice to the applicant of date, time, and place of hearing mailed on October 22, 2009; along with Chapter 4 of the City Code. Staff recommended approval contingent upon final inspections. No public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Request from James Fox dba Husker Hut, 1403 South Eddy Street for a Class "I" Liquor License. This item was pulled at the request of the applicant.

Public Hearing on Request from Julio Melesio dba Copas De Oro, 413 West 4th Street for a Class "C" Liquor License. RaNae Edwards, City Clerk reported that an application for a Class "C" Liquor License had been received from Julio Melesio dba Copas De Oro, 413 West 4th Street. Ms. Edwards presented the following exhibits for the record: application submitted to the Liquor Control Commission and received by the City on October 13, 2009; notice to the general public of date, time, and place of hearing published on October 31, 2009; notice to the applicant of date, time, and place of hearing mailed on October 13, 2009; along with Chapter 4 of the City Code. Staff made no recommendation. Julio Melesio, 120 West 6th Street and his attorney John Placke spoke in support. No further public testimony was heard.

Public Hearing on Acquisition of Utility Easement for New State Fair Buildings Located at Fonner Park (Hall County Livestock Improvement Association). Gary Mader, Utilities Director reported that a utility easement was needed at Fonner Park in order to have access to install, maintain, repair, and replace water mains, storm drains, sanitary sewers, public utilities and appurtenances and other utility facilities over and across and operate thereon. The easement would be used to place public water and sewer lines to serve the new State Fair buildings. Staff recommended approval. No public testimony was heard.

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

Approving Minutes of October 27, 2009 City Council Regular Meeting.

Approving Minutes of November 3, 2009 City Council Study Session.

#2009-285 – Approving Special City Council Meeting on December 29, 2009.

#2009-286 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Springdale Third Subdivision.

#2009-287 – Approving Final Plat and Subdivision Agreement for Hehnke Acres Subdivision.

#2009-288 – Approving Acquisition of Utility Easement for New State Fair Buildings Located at Fonner Park (Hall County Livestock Improvement Association).

#2009-289 – Approving Construction Agreement with NPPD for St. Libory Substation.

#2009-290 – Approving Bid Award for Locomotive Repair at Platte Generating Station with National Equipment of Mt. Vernon, Illinois in an Amount of \$87,424.65.

#2009-291 – Approving Certificate of Final Completion for Handicap Ramp Project No. 2009-1 with Galvan Construction, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska.

#2009-292 – Approving Bid Award for One (1) Used Excavator for the Solid Waste Division of the Public Works Department with NCS Equipment of Grand Island, Nebraska in an Amount of \$74,900.00.

#2009-293 – Approving Award of Contract on Project WWTP-2010-2 for Primary Clarifier Mechanism Replacement at the Waste Water Treatment Plant with Oakview Construction, Inc. of Red Oak, Iowa in an Amount of \$602,400.00.

RESOLUTIONS:

#2009-294 – Consideration of Request from Firehouse Bar, Inc. dba The Firehouse Bar, 418 West 4th Street for an Addition of a Beer Garden to Class “C-86044” Liquor License. This item is related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Ramsey, second by Nickerson to approve Resolution #2009-294 contingent upon final inspections. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2009-295 – Consideration of Request from Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, Inc. dba Skagway Discount Dept. Stores, 1607 South Locust Street for a Catering Addition to Class “C-60081” Liquor License. This item is related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Haase to approve Resolution #2009-295. Upon roll call vote, all voted aye. Motion adopted.

#2009-296 – Consideration of Request from James Fox dba Husker Hut, 1403 South Eddy Street for a Class “I” Liquor License. This item was pulled at the request of the applicant.

#2009-297 – Consideration of Request from Julio Melesio dba Copas De Oro, 413 West 4th Street for a Class “C” Liquor License. This item is related to the aforementioned Public Hearing.

Mr. Melesio answered questions from Council concerning his character and use of marijuana.

Motion by Gilbert, second by Ramsey to make no recommendation to the Liquor Control Commission. Upon roll call vote, Councilmember’s Meyer, Gilbert, Haase, Carney, Ramsey, Zapata, and Nickerson voted aye. Councilmember’s Niemann, Dugan, and Gericke voted no. Motion adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Motion by Dugan, second by Zapata to approve the Claims for the period of October 28, 2009 through November 10, 2009, for a total amount of \$2,441,980.68. Unanimously approved.

Motion by Dugan, second by Zapata to approve the Claims for the Period of October 28, 2009 through November 10, 2009 for the Veterans Athletic Field Complex for a total amount of \$6,250.01. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

RaNae Edwards
City Clerk