

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on June 5, 2017, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 1369 25 Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Notice of this meeting was given simultaneously to the Mayor and members of the City Council, with a copy of the acknowledgement of receipt of notice being on file in the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and City Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

1. **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS ACT AND ROLL CALL:** Mayor Bulkley announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Mayor James Bulkley and Council Members Beth Augustine-Schulte, Charlie Bahr, Troy Hiemer, Rich Jablonski, Dennis Kresha, John Lohr, Prent Roth, and Ron Schilling. City staff members included City Attorney Neal Valorz, City Administrator Tara Vasicek, City Clerk Janelle Kline, City Engineer Rick Bogus, Police Chief William Gumm, Finance Director Anne Kinnison, Public Works Director Greg McCaffery, Public Property Director Doug Moore, and Assistant City Clerk Michaela Luckey.
2. **PRAYER:** Bahr led in prayer.
3. **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Bulkley invited all to join in the National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Vasicek stated that the following items are considered routine by the council and will be enacted by one motion. She pointed out that there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from consent status and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The items on the consent agenda were approved as presented with a motion by Bahr and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".
  - 4.A. **Minutes of May 15, 2017, City Council meeting.**
  - 4.B. **Appointment of Linda Cloeter and reappointment of Peggy Engel, Keith Kline, and Robert Kloke to the Employee Pension Committee for two-year terms.**
  - 4.C. **Application of Crystal A. Hamling as manager of Off Campus, 3208 42 Street, in conjunction with Class "D" Liquor License.**
  - 4.D. **Resolution No. R17-75 awarding bid to Mueller Sprinklers in the amount of \$59,641 for irrigation booster pump at Wilderness Park. Resolution**

No. R17-75 is entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AWARDING THE BID TO MUELLER SPRINKLERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$59,641 FOR IRRIGATION BOOSTER PUMP AT WILDERNESS PARK.

- 4.E. Resolution No. R17-76 approving relocation assistance payment in the amount of \$20,569.46 for A & T, LLC in conjunction with 12 Avenue viaduct project.** Resolution No. R17-76 is entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PAYMENT PACKAGE FOR A & T, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,500, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROPERTY ACQUISITION OF TRACT 38 (1203 15 STREET) FOR THE 12 AVENUE VIADUCT PROJECT.
- 4.F. Payroll and bills on file.** 6/16/17 Payroll \$592,702.39; A & T, LLC – 12 Avenue Viaduct Project 13,098.00; Floyd and Kayla Arasmith – 12 Avenue Viaduct Project 414.85; Black Hills Energy – Utilities 1,739.89; Caliber Construction Inc. – 12 Avenue Viaduct Project 7,471.46; Haztech Systems Inc. – NEMA Grant 3,735.00; Heartland Natural Gas LLC – Utilities 2,449.28; Leticia Huerta – 12 Avenue Viaduct Project 1,325.00; Motorola Solutions Inc. – Equipment 164,233.66; Select Van & Storage – 12 Avenue Viaduct Project 9,792.58; U.S. Bank – Expenses 145.95; Verizon Wireless – Equipment 240.06; Walmart Community/GECRB – Supplies 2,210.50; Wells Fargo Bank – Bond Interest/Fees 36,760.00. TOTAL \$836,318.62.
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Included in Consent Agenda
- 6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**
- 6.A. Presentation from RDG Planning & Design on housing study.** Roger Nadrchal, Chief Executive Officer of NeighborWorks Northeast Nebraska, referring to the housing study, reported that the Columbus Housing Task Force of the Chamber of Commerce spent many months conducting the study and he commended the efforts of Bonnie McPhillips and K.C. Belitz for leading the task. Nadrchal reporting that the study cost \$22,000 to conduct, thanked the City of Columbus for paying half of the cost and the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and the Columbus Area Future Fund for paying the remaining half. Amy Haase, Principal of RDG Planning & Design, presented highlights of the following three components of the housing study: community engagement, market analysis, and opportunity assessment. Over 930 individuals participated in the on-line survey and another survey targeted individuals who work in the city but live outside of the city limits, landlords, as well as young professionals, developers, and realtors.
- 7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None
- 8. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:** None
- 9. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES:** None

**10. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:****10.A. COMMITTEE OF WHOLE - June 5, 2017**

**10.A.1. Review of City Council rules.** Review of the City Council rules was left in committee for further review and will be presented again at the June 19th Committee of the Whole meeting.

**10.A.2. Foot golf at Van Berg Golf Course.** The Committee of the Whole recommended to the mayor and council to proceed with plans for foot golf at Van Berg Golf Course. The report was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

**11. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:** None

**12. REPORTS ON LEGISLATION:** None

**13. NEW BUSINESS:**

**13.A. Comments from mayor and city council members.** Bulkley referred to the recent electrical fire at Godfather's Pizza and said the owners would like to express their gratitude to the fire and police departments for their efforts as well as the community for their support. Schilling thanked Santiago Vasquez for coordinating the Play Day in the Park program.

**14. RESOLUTIONS:**

**14.A. Resolution No. R17-77 approving amendment to Interlocal Agreement with Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality for the Storm Water Management Plan Program increasing the total grant funds from \$18,535 to \$35,018 with the city matching 20 percent.** Resolution No. R17-77 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (NDEQ) FOR THE STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN PROGRAM ACCEPTING THE INCREASE IN GRANT FUNDS BEING AWARDED FROM \$18,535 TO \$35,018 WITH THE CITY MATCHING 20 PERCENT, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith was adopted with a motion by Jablonski and a second by Schilling. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

**14.B. Resolution No. R17-78 approving agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$948,720 for Engineering Design Phase Services for Wastewater Treatment Facility Phase 4 Improvements.**

Resolution No. R17-78 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH HDR ENGINEERING, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$948,720 FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN PHASE SERVICES FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY PHASE 4 IMPROVEMENTS; A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH was adopted with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Lohr. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

15. **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:** None
16. **ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING:** None
17. **ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING:** None
18. **CONSIDERATION OF PAYROLL AND BILLS ON FILE:** Included in Consent Agenda
19. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
20. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. with a motion by Augustine-Schulte and a second by Jablonski. Augustine-Schulte, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Kresha, Lohr, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay".

Presented and approved this 19 day of June, 2017.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK