

City of Rockford, Minnesota Council Workshop Minutes 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 25th, 2017

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City Administrator / Special Counsel, Dan Madsen; City Engineer Jared Ward, Wenck and Associates; and Megan Carr of Sand Companies were also in attendance.

Megan Carr presented a proposal for a workforce apartment complex consisting of approximately 40 units for three separate locations in Rockford. Members of the Council heard and discussed the company, general ideas regarding the housing project and what contribution would be required from the City of Rockford. The Council asked Ms. Carr to return to the May 9th, 2017 Council Meeting to more formally discuss the proposed development. No action was taken on this item as it was set on for informational purposes only.

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Public Hearing, Reconvene Local Board of Appeal and Equalization

Mayor Renee Hafften opened the Public Hearing at approximately 6:05 p.m. Members of the Wright County Assessor's Office presented information on the continuation of the appeal of the property owner of PID #:113.021.001.060. The Assessor reviewed the nature and amount of damage to the interior of the home, and stated that the County and resident agreed to a reduction in the assessed market value of the property as presented. Members of the Council and staff asked questions regarding the decrease in valuation, stating some concern that the lack of care of a property owner would be

cause for reduction in market value; in effect having the other members of the community pay part of the taxes of a negligent homeowner. After discussion and review, Mayor Hafften opened the floor to any members of the public for comment, discussion, consideration and review. With no one wishing to make comment or otherwise address the Council, **MOTION** was made by Martinson, and seconded by Hill, to approve and otherwise accept the new valuation as presented and recommended.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

MOTION was then made by Hill, and seconded by Graner, to adjourn the Public Hearing at approximately 6:10 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

Approve Consent Agenda/Set Agenda

MOTION was made by Martinson, and seconded by Buoy, to set the Council Meeting Agenda and approve all items on the Consent Agenda, 3.A. to 3.E as listed:

3 A: Minutes from the April 11th, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

3 B: Payment of Claims from Check #27202 through #27245; totaling \$83,449.29

3 C: Resolution #17-15/National Financial Partners Corp Service Agreement

3 D: Resolution #17-16/State of Mn Joint Powers Agreement Hennepin County

3 E: Resolution #17-17/Interfund Loan and TIF Funding

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

New Business: Wright County Sheriff's Department Update

Captains and a Lieutenant of the Wright County Sheriff's Department presented information on the 2016 statistics for their service in the City of Rockford. Members of Staff and the Council asked questions and a general discussion was regarding criminal activity in the city. No formal action was taken, as this was for informational and introductory purposes only.

New Business: Rockford Area Historical Society Quarterly Update

Dustin Bardon of the Rockford Area Historical Society reviewed activity of their organization over the past quarter and discussed current initiatives and upcoming

plans for their group. Additionally, Bardon provided information on recent and future initiatives and plans the group hopes to continue. Members of Staff and the Council asked questions and had general discussion. No formal action was taken, as this was for informational and introductory purposes only.

New Business: Resolution #17-18/Award 2017 Seal Coat Project Bid.

Street Superintendent John Quirk explained that the City had received two estimates for the City's 2017 seal coating projects. Quirk read both quotes, and explained that the quote from Pearson Brothers was the lower of the two quotes. Quirk also added that the quote from Pearson Brothers was under the city's planned and budgeted amount. After additional discussion and review, **MOTION** was made by Hafften, and seconded by Graner, to approve Resolution #17-18 to award the bid in an amount not to exceed the listed and quoted amount.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

Members of the City Council and staff then provided updates on the Fire Department Pancake Breakfast, Compost Site, Dollar General and the Wellhead Protection Plan.

MOTION was then made by Graner, and seconded by Hill, to adjourn the Council Meeting at approximately 6:58 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED-VOTING IN FAVOR: Hafften, Buoy, Graner, Hill and Martinson.

Typed this 28th day of April, 2017.

Dan Madsen
City Administrator, Special Counsel
City of Rockford Minnesota

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Approved:

Renee Hafften
Mayor

Attest:

Dan Madsen
City Administrator, Special Counsel