

REGULAR SESSION

The Governing Body met in Regular Session in the City Council Chambers. Mayor Cody Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Councilmembers Cory Urban, Junior Welsch, Kevyn Soupiset, Davis Jimenez, Alan Moeder, Brock McPherson and Jolene Biggs. Absent was Councilmember Lindsey Krom-Craven. Also in attendance were City Administrator Kendal Francis, City Attorney Robert Suelter and City Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer.

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on October 18, 2021.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 11-1-21:** Covering 2021 bills to date in the amount of \$579,616.80.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 10-22-21:** Covering payroll ending October 16, 2021, in the amount of \$421,058.17.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt appointed City Administrator Kendal Francis as the City Treasurer.
- e) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

Mr. Urban made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moeder and passed with all voting in favor.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. **1007 10th Street Unsafe and Dangerous Structure Update:** City Administrator Kendal Francis reported that Logan Burns completed a walkthrough of the inside of the structure and noted that everything had been cleaned up to the extent where the original unsafe conditions determination should be lifted and taken off any future hearings. I believe the owners and prospective buyers have put a tremendous amount of work into this property and will continue to do so but on an extended timeline. Ms. Biggs made a motion to approve removing the property off any unsafe and dangerous structure hearings and allow permits to be pulled to make the house livable was. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moeder with all voting in favor.

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were no visitors or announcements.

The public is free to comment on items not listed on the agenda. Please address comments to the City Council as a body and be mindful of others who may also wish to speak by limiting comments to 3 minutes.

D. NEW BUSINESS

2. **Councilmember Reports:** There were no councilmember reports.
3. **Administrators Update:** City Administrator Kendal Francis presented an update on what is happening within the City organization.
4. **Economic Development Report:** Economic Development Inc. President Sara Hayden presented her monthly report.
5. **Abatements:** Code Enforcement Art Keffer presented the following abatements:
 - A. **30 Hickory St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: brush piles, tires and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 30 Hickory St. constituting a motor vehicle nuisance. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-A.
 - B. **109 Maple St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a brush pile and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 109 Maple St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-B.
 - C. **204 Fruit St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: an open trash bags and general refuse, that needs to be removed, located at 204 Fruit St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is subject of Resolution Number 110121-C.
 - D. **218 Pine St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: mattresses, furniture, construction debris and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 218 Pine St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-D.
 - E. **300 Plum St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a toilet and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 300 Plum St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-E.
 - F. **313 Almond Street:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a brush pile and general refuse that needs to be removed located at 313 Almond St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-F.
 - G. **408 Locust St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: appliances and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 408 Locust St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-G.
 - H. **1439 22nd St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a table and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1439 22nd St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-H.
 - I. **1701 Hubbard St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: an appliance and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1701 Hubbard St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-I.
 - J. **1723 3rd St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a sink, construction debris, cabinet and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1723 3rd St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-J.

- K. 1805 8th St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: tires and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1805 8th St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-K.
- L. 2525 Russell PKWY:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: a bed headboard and footboard, a microwave oven and stand and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 2525 Russell PKWY. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 110121-L.

Mr. Welsch made a motion to approve Resolution Numbers 110121A-L. The motion was seconded by Mr. Soupiset and passed with all voting in favor.

- 6. Letter of Support – Sunflower Diversified:** Jon Prescott with Sunflower Diversified reported that they are applying for an annual grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation to support their General Public Transportation system. The attached letter details the service they provide to Great Bend and the surrounding area. Transportation is a critical need for the community and provides the ability for hundreds of riders to get to work, medical appointments and shopping. Mr. Soupiset made a motion to approve the letter of support for the grant application to KDOT was made. The motion was seconded by Mr. Urban and passed with all voting in favor.
- 7. Letter of Support – Rosewood Services:** Howard Partington with Rosewood Services reported that they are applying for a grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation to support their Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities. Attached is the proposed letter of support. Mr. Welsch made a motion to approve the letter of support for the grant application to KDOT. The motion was seconded by Mr. Urban and passed with 6 voting in favor, with Mr. Moeder abstaining.
- 8. Letter of Support – Commission on Aging:** City Administrator Kendal Francis reported that the Commission on Aging is applying for a grant from the Kansas Department of Transportation to support their General Public Transportation system. Mr. Soupiset made a motion to approve the letter of support for the grant application to KDOT. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moeder and passed with all voting in favor.
- 9. Unsafe and Dangerous Structure at 2555 19th Street:** City Attorney Robert Suelter reported that the garage located at the southwest corner of real estate 2555 19th Street, 19th and Washington, has been inspected by the Code Enforcement Department and the Building Inspector. They have determined that the structure is unsafe and dangerous. A copy of written statement from the department is attach. In order to conduct a hearing in the matter notice of the hearing must be given by passage, mailing and publication of a resolution scheduling the matter for hearing. Ms. Biggs made a motion to approve Resolution Number 110121-M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Soupiset with all voting in favor.
- 10. Venture Aggregate Facility Waste Oil Storage:** Fire Chief Luke McCormick reported that Christopher Spray, President and William Seybert, SPCC Coordinator of the Venture Corporation met with Bob Suelter, Logan Burns, Mike Smith and Luke McCormick to discuss placing bulk storage tanks at the transload facility. Venture has purchased the transload facility and is requesting permission to place (10) 20,000-gallon horizontal steel storage tanks to store used diesel motor oil. Venture currently

stores approximately 500,000 gallons of oil at the Texpar location at the Great Bend Airport. Texpar is ending the lease agreement with Venture at the end of the year. Venture uses the oil as part of the asphalt production. Mr. Welsch made a motion to authorize Venture Corporation to construct the bulk oil plant at 8920 8th Street, Great Bend, KS. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs with all voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Welsch made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Biggs seconded the motion and passed with all voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.