

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, Lindsey Krom-Craven, Kevyn Soupiset, Davis Jimenez, Alan Moeder, Brock McPherson and Jolene Biggs. Also in attendance were City Administrator Kendal Francis, City Attorney Alan Glendenning and City Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer.

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on November 1, 2021.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 11-15-21:** Covering 2021 bills to date in the amount of \$681,039.39.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 11-5-21:** Covering payroll ending October 30, 2021, in the amount of \$336,495.62.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt will make appointments as appropriate.
The Mayor appointed Adam Sciacca as Master Electrician to the BOCTEA Board.
- e) **Home for the Holiday Street Closures:** Close Main Street from 24th Street to 12th Street during the parade from 5:15 pm to 6:30 pm on November 27th. Keep Main Street closed from Broadway Avenue to 12th Street for an additional 2 hours after the parade to allow for activities. Close Lakin Avenue between Kansas Avenue to Main Street from 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm, and parking on the north side of Lakin Avenue from noon to 9:00 pm on November 27th.
- f) **Street Closure:** Close Adams from 17th to 19th and Jefferson from 18th to 19th on December 4, 2021, from 12:30-3:00pm for the Drive Thru Santa's Workshop.
- g) **Tree Trimmers License:** Claflin Tree Service (Garett Akers) out of Claflin, KS has applied for a tree trimmers license. Application has been received along with payment and copy of the insurance.
- h) **Cereal Malt Beverage License:** Mr. Burger has applied for a Cereal Malt Beverage License. Responsible party is Stacy Schwartz. All requirements have been completed and payment has been submitted
- i) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

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

B. OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business.

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND 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.

Edwin Nelson addressed the Governing Body about the abatement process.

Jim Denning and Mike Carlson addressed the Governing body about the dragstrip.

D. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Councilmember Reports:** Cory Urban reported on the recent Census numbers and how that might impact the boundaries for the City's Wards.
- 2. Administrators Update:** City Administrator Kendal Francis presented an update on what is happening within the City organization. He noted that Hellas presented a change order for additional improvements to Langrehr field, specially adding a bullpen and batting area. Hella's is getting ready to move out as they are wrapping up the project, so approving this change order now would cut down on mobilization costs if the city were to approve this later. The City's total cost would be \$49,745.87. The Great Bend Recreation has also provided a letter of support in providing monetary support in the amount of \$16,411.13. The total change order from Hellas is \$66,157.00. Mr. Urban made a motion to approve a change order allowing for improvements at Langrehr Field for a total cost of \$66,157.00, with the city portion being \$49,745.87 and the Great Bend Recreation providing \$16,411.13. Mr. Soupiset seconded the motion with 5 voting in favor and 3 voting against: Mr. Moeder, Ms. Krom-Craven and Mr. Jimenez.
- 3. CVB/Community Coordinator Report:** Community Coordinator Christina Hayes presented her monthly report.
- 4. Sales Tax Ordinance No 4380:** David Arteberry with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company reported that the voters approved the three sales tax questions that was on the November ballot. The Governing Body will need to adopt an Ordinance authorizing the levy of the three citywide retailers' sales taxes in the aggregate amount of .45%. Ms. Krom-Craven made a motion to adopt Ordinance No 4380, authorizing the levy of the three citywide retailers' sales taxes in the aggregate amount of .45%. The motion was seconded by Mr. Urban with all voting in favor.
- 5. Police Station Project Authorization Resolution No 111521-A:** David Arteberry with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company reported that the Governing Body will need to approve a resolution authorizing and providing for the construction of a new police station and providing for the payment of the costs. Mr. Urban made a motion to approve Resolution No 111521-A, authorizing and providing for the construction of a new police station and providing for the payment of the costs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Soupiset with all voting in favor.
- 6. Police Station Bond Sale Resolution No 111521-B:** David Arteberry with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company reported that the Governing Body will need to pass a resolution authorizing the offering for sale of general obligation bonds. David Arteberry with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company reported. Ms. Biggs made a motion to approve Resolution No

111521-B, authorizing the offering for sale of general obligation bonds. The motion was seconded by Mr. Welsch with all voting in favor.

7. Abatements: Code Enforcement Art Keffer presented the following abatements:

- C. 301 Cedar St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: scrap metal, computer towers, window air conditioners and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 301 Cedar St. constituting a motor vehicle nuisance. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 111521-C.
- D. 923 Jefferson 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 923 Jefferson St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 111521-D.
- E. 1036 Jefferson St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: junk pallets, bookshelves and general refuse, that needs to be removed, located at 1036 Jefferson St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is subject of Resolution Number 111521-E.
- F. 1219 Madison:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: wood, pallets, tires and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1219 Madison constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 111521-F.
- G. 1611 Park Ave:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: scrap metal, guttering and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 1611 Park Ave. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 111521-G.
- H. 3410 17th St:** There is trash and refuse on the property including, but not limited to: scrap metal, wood and general refuse that needs to be removed, located at 3410 17th St. constituting an unlawful accumulation. This real estate is the subject of Resolution Number 111521-H.

Ms. Krom-Craven made a motion to approve Resolution Numbers 111521C-H. The motion was seconded by Mr. Welsch and passed with all voting in favor.

8. Conditional Use Permit at 3205 16th Street: Building Official Logan Burns reported that Silvercreek LLC, by Chad and Deidra Ohnmacht, have applied for a conditional use permit to operate an Air BnB at 3205 16th Street. The Planning Commission considered the matter at its October 25, 2021, meeting and recommended approval. At that meeting the only interested parties were the Ohnmachts. M. Urban made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact as prepared by City Staff and recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs with all voting in favor. Mr. Urban then made a motion to adopt the Conditional Use Permit set out in Resolution Number 111521-I. The motion was seconded by Ms. Biggs with all voting in favor.

9. K-96 CCLIP Agreement: City Administrator Kendal Francis reported that we were notified in July that we were awarded a FY 2023 Community Connecting Links Program grant for resurfacing of K-96 between US56 & Patton Rd. KDOT has allocated \$300,000 for Construction & Construction Engineering. The City will be required to provide a minimum of 10% plus anything over KDOT's contribution. Our local share is anticipated to be \$234,183. Funding would come from the KDOT Grant line item, which is funded through Federal Funds Exchange monies. Ms. Biggs made a motion to approve the CCLIP agreement with KDOT for improvements to K-96. The motion was seconded by Mr. Soupiset with all voting in favor.

10. Executive Session: The Governing Body would like to recess to executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to nonelected personnel. Ms. Biggs made a motion to recess to executive session for a period of 30 minutes to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A 75-4319(b)(1). The motion was seconded by Mr. Jimenez with all voting in favor. The regular meeting will resume at 8:10 p.m. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Biggs made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Welsch seconded the motion and passed with all voting in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.