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AURORA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers
Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. PRAYER AND PLEDGE: Mayor Ferguson led the Council in the pledge and prayer.

III. ROLL CALL: Mayor Doyle Ferguson
   Chairman Pro Tem Stephen Wiles
   Councilman Larry David Marks - Absent
   Councilwoman Dawn Oplinger
   Councilman Don McWade

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT - A citizen desiring to speak on an item not on the agenda may do so at this time. Each citizen is limited to three minutes and the Council will not take action or discuss items at this time. Discussion should be limited to matters of City business and public comment is not permitted in regard to personnel matters or pending legal matters. Items introduced under "Public Comment" may become agenda items at a later date.

   Lisa Rentsro, property owner at 215 W Pleasant St addressed the Council advising she recently had sewer repair work done on said property, which she uses as a rental property. Mrs. Rentsro indicated that she was required to pay for an alley cut as part of her sewer repair permit. The City allows use of alley by service and utility trucks who also cause disrepair to said City property. Mrs. Rentsro stated that the cost of repair to the City property should be the City’s expense and not the expense of the property owner.

   Mrs. Rentsro further mentioned the darkness in the area of the overpass asking for installation of a yield sign and street light.

V. COUNCIL FORUM - Council Forum provides an opportunity for Council Members to share information with the rest of the Council regarding communications with constituents, meetings attended, request items to be put on the agenda, make requests of staff, or direct questions to staff regarding issues that are not on the agenda.

   Mayor Ferguson introduced new City Clerk, Kimberly Breedlove who was present at the meeting.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA - Items listed on the 'Consent Agenda' are considered routine and shall be enacted by one motion of the City Council with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired by a member of the Council, that item will be removed from the 'Consent Agenda' and placed on the regular agenda as a final item under "New Business".

   A. Approval of Minutes: Regular Session held on February 11th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
B. Approval of Appropriations: for February 2020

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Chairman Pro Tem Wiles seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Wiles, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

VII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Second and Final Reading Bill No. 2020-3187

Motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Aurora, Missouri accepting and approving a request from Silo Farms, LLC and MFA Inc. for a lot split involving 303 W. Olive Street.

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2020-3187. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Wiles, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

B. Second and Final Reading Bill No. 2020-3188

Motion to approve an ordinance of the City of Aurora amending the City of Aurora, City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 400, Zoning Regulations, Section 400.410 Special Use Permit, Sub-Section A.

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the second and final reading of Bill No. 2020-3188. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Wiles, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation – Candidates Code of Ethics – Kim Mobley

Kim Mobley, member of the Growth In Rule Ozarks (GRO) initiative addressed the Council advising that the GRO group has been working on a task to compile a list of ethics for Leadership in Government. This list encompasses the kind of people the community wants to lend support to but also dictates how members of the GRO initiative and community should want to act themselves. Councilman McWade asked if candidates currently running for City Council would receive a copy of this list. Mobley advised that the information has been posted
on social media and in newspapers. City Manager Holmes advised he would work with Mobley to ensure that candidates for City Council received the list.

B. Resolution 2020-1728

Motion to approve the City Manager to execute a contract with the Wilson Group for the replacement of the City Hall windows

City Manager, Jon Holmes addressed the Council advising that the City Hall window replacement project was put out for sealed bid and only one bid was received in response. The single bid was from The Wilson Group, Inc, Greenwood, MO. Mr. Holmes further advised the base bid for the project came in at $135,000 with two options for better quality windows as options. The second option of “better” windows would cost approximately $205,000 with the final option of “best” windows costing approximately $225,000.

Jesse Hopkins, Project Manager for The Wilson Group, answered questions regarding the difference in the three window types. The “good” or base bid window would withstand 70 psf in consideration of wind volumes and loads. The “better” window will withstand 150 psf. Mr. Hopkins advised that any of the three options would be tremendous upgrade to current windows and all can come with extended warranty and blind replacement if the City so chooses to add those to the bid. He further advised the order time for production of said windows would be approximately twelve (12) weeks.

Councilman McWade requested further information regarding extended warranty and blind replacement. City Manager Holmes advised he would work with Mr. Hopkins for that information and bring it back to the Council in the near future.

Councilman McWade moved to accept the bid for the “better” windows in the amount of $205,000 with warranty and blind replacement to come for future approval by Council. Mayor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ferguson, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: Wiles
ABSTAIN: 0

C. Resolution 2020-1729

Motion to approve Change Order #1 for the McNatt Sewer Line Replacement Project

City Manager Holmes addressed the Council advising that a trucking business owning property at the corner of High Street and Carnation Avenue has intentions to build a warehouse on the property. An extension of the City sewer main is required in order to provide sewer service to said property. City Engineers have provided an estimate of costs for the project in the amount of $49,996. City Manager Holmes further advised that K&B Equipment is on location now doing a sewer line replacement on McNatt and this project can be added to that project as a
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Change Order to save some additional mobilization costs. From an Economic Development standpoint this would have City sewer main in place for future development in the area by other businesses. Councilwoman Oplinger stated that a new business wanting to come to town is wonderful.

Chairman Pro Temp Wiles moved to approve Resolution No. 2020-1729. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ferguson, Wiles, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: 0
ABSTAIN: 0

IX. REPORTS
A. Board Liaison Reports

Councilwoman Oplinger advised that the Airport Board meeting scheduled for last week had a lack of quorum due to illness and is rescheduled for next week.

B. City Manager Report

City Manager Holmes addressed the Council displaying the Agenda Center on the City website on the televisions in Council Chambers. Mr. Holmes demonstrated use of the Agenda Center to Council members for future use.

To: Mayor Ferguson & Aurora City Council
From: Jon Holmes, City Manager, City of Aurora
Re: City Manager Report
Date: 02/25/2020

Report Items:

Dept. Items
- Police
  - Discussion of 911 System - planned for next Council Meeting
  - Working with the Lawrence County Emergency Service Board concerning payment of the City of Aurora for providing E911 Dispatching services for Aurora area
- Street & Cemetery
  - Beginning to work on projects for 2020
    - Priority list of paving projects for next year - planning to advertise bids next week
    - Cemetery Guest information Centers/gazebos
  - Clean up of stormwater ditches in various areas - installing rip-rap to control erosion in drainage ditches
- Park
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- Fencing being installed at Crosby Park (Park Board Project)
- Began working on other Park Board projects
  - Walking Trail Lighting in White Park
  - Paving at Baldwin Park
  - Fencing at Baldwin Park
- Assisting with a few projects around City Hall
- Sink installation at Lions Club Bldg. complete

- Stormwater
  - Nothing to report at this time

- Wastewater
  - U.V. project at the sewer plant, notice to proceed has been given
  - Began work on initial Wastewater Treatment plant improvements
    - Filter Replacement Project – engineering moving forward
    - Submittal of application for State Revolving Fund completed

- Admin. & Finance
  - City Clerk began last week – busy training
  - Sales Tax Renewal Information Meetings Scheduled – All meetings at City hall, Council Chambers
    - February 27th, 6 P.M.
    - March 11th, 10:30 A.M.
    - March 31st, 6 P.M.
    - April 6th, 6 P.M.
  - Laptops for Council have been ordered for paperless agendas – Update: On back order at this time
  - Planning a meeting for Historical Preservation discussion for Downtown
  - Beginning discussions with MoDOT concerning Welcome Signs along highway 60
  - Pre-Audit work being completed – Auditor will be here next week
  - Calls concerning Landlords being responsible for tenants sewer bills when they are left unpaid – reviewing current codes

- Planning & Code Enforcement
  - Beginning the process to begin compiling a list of dangerous and substandard structures for consideration of demolition for 2020
  - Meeting concerning the City’s GIS Mapping and needed updates
  - P&Z Meetings:
    - 3/31/2020
  - Working on adoption of the most recent revisions of the International Building Codes – this will be coming to Council for adoption

- Fire
  - No new items to report

Meetings/Events Attended:
- LCES Meeting – 24th
Upcoming Meetings and Events Attending:
- Sales Tax Renewal Meeting – 27th

Follow-Up Items/Misc. Items
- None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Pro Tem Wiles moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Wiles, Oplinger, McWade
NAYES: 0

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Doyle Ferguson, Mayor (03/10/2020)

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Carrie Howlett, Deputy City Clerk (03/10/2020)