

SPECIAL WORK SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING ~ JUNE 15, 2020

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The special work session City Council meeting of the City of Little Falls was called to order by Council President Hircock on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom video conference under Minnesota Statutes 13D.021, due to the Covid-19 health pandemic. On a roll call, Councilmembers Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Hanson, Gosiak, Council President Hircock, and Mayor Zylka were present. Councilmember Storlie was absent. It was determined there was a quorum.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Temporarily suspended.

3. **BILLS DISCUSSION**

None.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION**

None.

5. **COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL ONLY ITEMS**

a. **COVID-19 Preparedness Plan, City Facilities** – City Administrator Radermacher reviewed that staff is working on a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan which must be adopted by the City Council no later than June 26, 2020. Staff is proposing the City Council recess the regular meeting to June 22, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. for review of the plan. Staff to send out prior to the meeting for review. No action taken.

b. **Lead for America Fellow Program** – City Administrator Radermacher reviewed that the Fellow that the City Council approved May 18, 2020, through the Lead for America Fellow Program, has withdrawn her participation. No action taken.

c. **Residential Fiber Survey** – City Administrator Radermacher reviewed that a residential fiber survey will be developed and conducted to gauge the residential demand and interest in bringing a fiber build-out to Little Falls. The funds for the survey will come from the Initiative Foundation grant for opportunities to expand broadband capabilities the City was awarded. No action taken.

d. **Department of Defense Childcare Grant Application** – City Administrator Radermacher reviewed that the United States Department of Defense through their Office of Economic Adjustment, has a Defense Community Infrastructure Pilot Program available to state and local governments. This program is an “opportunity to obtain funding to address deficiencies in community infrastructure supportive of military installations”. The program would be a joint opportunity to work with Camp Ripley to construct a childcare facility which will provide 51% of the placements for military families. The project is estimated at \$3 million dollars with no local match required. This item is on the regular agenda for consideration.

e. **Other**

1. **Cody Shields Blight Property Appeal** – Finance Officer Kasella reported that Cody Shields has filed an appeal for the blight property notice he received. It was the consensus of the City Council to discuss this appeal at a recessed City Council meeting to be called on June 22, 2020, at 1:00 p.m., with staff notifying Mr. Shields of the date and time of the meeting.

4. **CONSTITUENT COMPLAINTS**

None.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Hircock adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori Kasella