

SPECIAL WORK SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING ~ FEBRUARY 7, 2022

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 February 7, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Councilmembers Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Council President Hircock, and Mayor Zylka were present. It was determined there was a quorum.

2. **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

3. **BILLS DISCUSSION**

None.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSION**

None.

5. **COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL ONLY ITEMS**

a. **Policy 57, Little Falls Country Club Rules, Policies, and Procedures** – City Administrator Radermacher reviewed proposed updates to Policy 57, Little Falls Country Club Rules, Policies, and Procedures. This item is on the regular agenda for consideration.

b. **Front End Loader, Streets and Parks** – Public Works Director/City Engineer reviewed with the need for renting/leasing a front end loader during the winter seasons. No action taken.

c. **Economic Revitalization Funding, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development** – Finance Officer Kasella and City Administrator Radermacher reviewed a proposal to work through and with the Initiative Foundation to apply for economic revitalization funds from Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development for the City's Economic Development Authority to work with business owners who have been affected by civil unrest, natural disasters, or COVID-19 impacts. This item is on the regular agenda for consideration.

d. **Mayor's Appointments, Various Authorities, Boards, Bureaus, Commissions, and Committees** – Mayor Zylka reviewed his proposed appointments to the various boards and committees of the City. Public Works Director/City Engineer Kimman and City Administrator Radermacher further reviewed the proposal for the Library Board. This item is on the regular agenda for consideration.

e. **Redistricting** – City Administrator Radermacher continued to review the City's proposed redistricting. No action taken.

f. **Other**

1. **Heritage Preservation Commission's Decisions** – Councilmember Lundberg inquired as the Heritage Preservation Commission's decision to approve the request of 1st Avenue Auto, 109 Southeast First Avenue, and the Johnny C's Sports Bar, 108 East Broadway, vs. the denial by both the Heritage Preservation Commission and the appeal to the City Council by Thomas and Josefina Briscoe for their building at 122 Southeast First Avenue. City Administrator Radermacher stated he would place this item on the next work session agenda for discussion.

2. **Local Option Sales Tax** – Councilmember Knafla inquired as to the status of the City's request for a local option sales tax. City Administrator Radermacher stated he will be meeting with Contegry Group in the future.

3. **Recycling Carts** – Councilmember Knafla stated he as received messages from constituents stating they love the new recycling carts.

4. **Air Bed and Breakfasts** – Councilmember Lundberg stated she would like the City Council to consider regulating air bed and breakfasts "Air BNB". No action taken.

5. **Fourth Street East Project** – Public Works Director/City Engineer Kimman reviewed with the City Council the anticipated increased costs of this project due to the present shortages on materials. No action taken.

6. **CONSTITUENT MESSAGE(S)**

a. Councilmember Gosiak received an inquiry about the possible sale of property to the Harakel family.

b. Councilmember Lundberg reported she received a request from resident within the Fourth Street East project requesting sidewalks be installed only on the east side of the street not on both sides.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Council President Hircock adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy J. Zylka

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