

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ~ AUGUST 15, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Little Falls was called to order by Council President Hircock on Monday, August 15, 2022, at 7:30 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 present.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council President Hircock amended the agenda by adding Item 9.e. Motion was made by Mayor Zylka, seconded by Councilmember Gosiak to approve the agenda of August 15, 2022, as amended. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Councilmember Knafla, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren to approve the City Council minutes of the special work session of August 1, 2022; the closed meeting of August 1, 2022; and the regular meeting of August 1, 2022, as presented. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion was made by Councilmember Storlie, seconded by Councilmember Hanson to approve the bills totaling \$2,836,705.50 for checks 107203 through 107312. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

5. AWARDS, DONATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND PROCLAMATIONS

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Councilmember Gosiak, seconded by Councilmember Hanson to take the following action on Consent Agenda items a. through j.:

- a. Received and placed on file the Animal Control report for July 2022; and
- b. Approved to the Minnesota Charitable Gambling Control Board, an Application for Exempt Permit as requested by the Minnesota Rodeo Association, for their raffle to be held on September 18, 2022, at the Morrison County Fairgrounds, 15575 Hawthorn Road, and further waived any waiting period; and
- c. Received and placed on file the Fire report for July 2022; and
- d. Approved the Mayor and City Council Handbook dated August 15, 2022; and
- e. Received and placed on file the Housing and Redevelopment Authority minutes for July 2022; and
- f. Received and placed on file the Police report for July 2022; and
- g. Received and placed on file the Recycling Report for July 2022; and
- h. Approved a Temporary Roadway Closing permit as requested by Johnny C's Sports Bar for the partial closure of the alley adjacent to their buildings located at 108 and 114 East Broadway, from 4:00 p.m. on September 9, 2022, through 4:00 p.m. on September 11, 2022, contingent upon the appropriate paperwork, insurance listing the site and the City as additional insured with not less than \$1 million coverage, and fees all being submitted, they clean up after the event, approval is granted by the Fire and Police Chiefs and the Public Works Director/City Engineer, and no alcohol is permitted to be served or consumed outside of their approved On Sale Liquor License; and
- i. Received and placed on file the Wastewater report for July 2022; and
- j. Received and placed on file the Water report for July 2022

Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND LETTINGS

a. Public Hearing

1. **Vacation of Alley, Block 28, Thayer's Addition** – Council President Hircock opened a scheduled public hearing at 7:33 p.m. regarding the request to vacate the

alley in Block 28, Thayer's Addition, (i.e. between Third and Fourth Avenue Northwest and between Fifth and Sixth Streets Northwest). Public Works Director/City Engineer Kimman presented the affidavit of publication and reviewed the request. No comments were received. Council President Hircock closed the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.

b. **Lettings**

1. **Compressor, Air Conditioning Unit, Climate Makers, Carnegie Library** –

Motion was made by Mayor Zylka, seconded by Councilmember Hanson to award the quotation of \$9,200 from Climate Makers Corporation, Brooklyn Center, for a new 9 ton scroll compressor, filter drier cores, popping and fittings, and disposal of the old compressor at the Carnegie Library, to be charged to the Library Building Fund. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

2. **Interpretive Plan, Bolton & Menk** – Motion was made by Councilmember Storlie, seconded by Councilmember Liljegren to award the quotation of \$32,000, from Bolton & Menk, Baxter, to prepare an Interpretive Plan that will convey the cultural, human, natural, and historical context of the City and surrounding area, to be charged to the Wayfinding Interpretive Plan Grant. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

a. **Ordinance No. 32, Seventh Series, Amend City Code Chapter 11, Land Use/Zoning, Columbarium** (Introduced 08/01/22) – Councilmember Gosiak moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 32, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 11, entitled “Land Use Regulations (Zoning)”, Section 11.02, entitled “Definitions”, and Amending section 11.05, entitled “Zoning Districts and Map”. Mayor Zylka seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, and Knafla. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 32 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

b. **Ordinance No. 32A, Authorize Summary Publication of Ordinance 32, Columbarium** (Introduced 08/01/22) – Councilmember Knafla moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 32A, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Authorizing the Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 32A, Seventh Series, which amends City Code Chapter 11, regarding Columbarium. Councilmember Liljegren seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, and Liljegren. Nays: none. President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 32A to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

c. **Ordinance No. 33, Seventh Series, Amend City Code Chapter 3, Liquor, and Chapter 10, Allow Alcohol in Parks** (Introduced 08/01/22) – Councilmember Hanson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 33, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 3, entitled “Regulating the Possession, Sale and Consumption of Intoxicating and 3.2 Percent Malt Liquor”; by Amending section 3.05, entitled “Consumption in Public Places”; and Chapter 10, entitled “Public Protection, Crimes and Offenses”; by Amending Section 10.27, entitled “Consumption and Possession of Beer, Wine or Liquor on Streets and Public Property”. Councilmember Storlie seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Hircock, Storlie, and Hanson. Nays: Zylka and Gosiak. Council President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 33 to have received the majority vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

d. **Ordinance No. 34, Seventh Series, Land Use/Zoning Regulations, Solar Energy Systems** (Introduced 08/01/22) – Councilmember Storlie moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 34, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 11, entitled “Land Use Regulations (Zoning)”, Section 11.02, entitled “Definitions”, and Amending Section 11.32, entitled “Solar Energy Systems”. Councilmember Hanson seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, and Lundberg. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 34 to have received the unanimous vote of

the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

e. **Ordinance No. 34A, Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 34, Solar Energy Systems** (Introduced 08/01/22) – Councilmember Hanson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 34A, an Ordinance Authorizing the Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 34, Seventh Series, which Amends City Code Chapter 11 regarding Solar Energy Systems. Councilmember Gosiak seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, and Zylka. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 34A to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

f. **Ordinance No. 35, Seventh Series, Chapter 6, Business Regulations and Chapter 10, Allowable Number of Dogs** (Introduction 08/01/22) – Councilmember Lundberg moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 35, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 6, entitled “Business Regulation and Licensing”; by Amending Section 6.31, entitled “Kennels”; and by Chapter 10, entitled “Public Protection, Crimes and Offenses”, by Amending Section 10.11, entitled “Animal Regulations”. After discussion, Councilmember Lundberg rescinded her motion. Councilmember Hanson then moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 35, Seventh Series, striking any reference to cats in the Ordinance. Councilmember Storlie seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, Zylka, and Hircock. Nays: none. Abstention: Lundberg. Council President Hircock then declared said Ordinance No. 35 to have received the majority vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly, passed, approved, and adopted.

g. **Resolution 2022-59, Rescind Resolution 2021-79B, and Vacate Certain Rights-of-Way, Block 5, County Club Addition** – Councilmember Hanson introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-59, a Resolution Rescinding Resolution 2021-79B and Authorizing the Vacation of Certain Rights-of-Way in Block 5, Country Club Addition. Councilmember Gosiak seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, and Storlie. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-59 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

h. **Resolution 2022-63, Forego Community Recreational Facility, Ballot Question** – Councilmember Knafla introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-63, a Resolution Foregoing the Ballot Questions Regarding a Local Option Sales Tax to Fund a Community Recreational Facility. Mayor Zylka seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, and Hanson. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-63 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Resignation, Paul Karst, Park Maintenance Worker** – Motion was made by Councilmember Gosiak, seconded by Councilmember Hanson to receive and place on file Paul Karst’s resignation from the City as a Park Maintenance Worker, effective August 11, 2022, wished him well in his future endeavors; and further authorized the posting within the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 49, and the public to fill said Park Maintenance Worker position at Pay Grade 3, Step 1 \$21.66 per hour. Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Motion carried.

b. **Planning Commission Recommendations**

1. **Resolution 2022-64, Conditional Use Permit, Security Fence with Barbed Wire, CenterPoint Energy** – Motion was made by Councilmember Lundberg to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-64, a Resolution Approving a Conditional Use Permit Requested by CenterPoint Energy, 15893 Northeast Sixteenth Street, for the Installation of a Seven Foot Tall Perimeter Security Fence with Barbed Wire. Mayor Zylka seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, and Gosiak. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then

declared said Resolution 2022-64 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted.

2. **Resolution 2022-65, Vacate Alley, Block 28, Thayer's Addition** – Motion was made by Councilmember Hanson to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-65, a Resolution Authorizing the Vacation of the Alley on Block 28, Thayer's Addition. Councilmember Knafla seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: none. Nays: Liljegren, Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, and Knafla. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-58 to have failed.

3. **Resolution 2022-60, Variance, Extend Impervious Surface, Terry Hollermann, 14942 John L Drive** – Motion was made by Councilmember Gosiak to receive the recommendation of the Planning Commission and introduced and moved for the adoption Resolution 2022-60, a Resolution Approving a Variance Request to Exceed the Allowable Impervious Surface from Terry Hollermann, 14942 John L Drive. Councilmember Liljegren seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: none. Nays: Lundberg, Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, and Liljegren. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-60 to have failed.

c. **Resolution 2022-61, Call for Public Hearing, Adopt Final Assessment Roll, Public Improvement 391 (Sidewalks)** – Councilmember Liljegren introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-61, a Resolution to Calling for a Public Hearing on the Adoption of the Final Assessment Roll for Public Improvement 391, (sidewalk improvements). Councilmember Lundberg seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Zylka, Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, and Lundberg. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-61 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted. Motion carried.

d. **Resolution 2022-62, Decertify Tax Increment Financing District 1-33, Larson Motor Service** – Councilmember Lundberg introduced and moved for the adoption of Resolution 2022-62, a Resolution Decertifying Tax Increment Financing of District 1-33, Larson Motor Service. Councilmember Hanson seconded the motion for adoption. On a roll call vote; Ayes: Hircock, Storlie, Hanson, Gosiak, Knafla, Liljegren, Lundberg, and Zylka. Nays: none. Council President Hircock then declared said Resolution 2022-62 to have received the unanimous vote of the entire City Council and the same to have been duly passed, approved, and adopted. Motion carried.

e. **Ordinance No. 36, Seventh Series, Authorize and Direct Sale of Property, Green Leaf Real Estate Holdings LLC** – Councilmember Lundberg introduced Ordinance No. 36, Seventh Series, an Ordinance Authorizing and Directing the Sale of Certain Property to Green Leaf Real Estate Holdings LLC, for \$20,000.

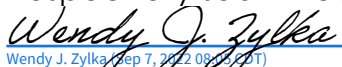
10. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS OF CITY AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, BUREAUS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Council President Hircock adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy J. Zylka (sep 7, 2022 09:42 AM)

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