

## COON RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2021

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### CALL TO ORDER

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The first regular meeting of the Coon Rapids City Council for the month of March was called to order by Mayor Jerry Koch at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, in the Council Chambers.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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Joe and Isaac Andrzejek of Boy Scout Troop 524 led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL

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Members Present: Mayor Jerry Koch, Councilmembers Brad Greskowiak, Kari Rehrauer, Wade Demmer, Jennifer Geisler, Brad Johnson, and Pat Carlson

Members Absent: None

### ADOPT AGENDA

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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

### PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

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#### 1. CROOKED LAKE AREA ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION

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Mayor Koch welcomed Joel Friday, representative of the Crooked Lake Area Association.

Mr. Friday said the Crooked Lake Area Association enjoyed updating the Council annually. He thanked the City for its involvement in eradicating invasive species and said the lake was in really great shape this year. Mr. Friday updated the Council on invasive species and current events.

Mayor Koch said the City and the Association had a great partnership.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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#### 2. FEBRUARY 16, 2021, COUNCIL MEETING

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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER

CARLSON, FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 16, 2021, COUNCIL MEETING. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSENT AGENDA/INFORMATIONAL BUSINESS

3. APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ALEXANDRA HOUSE
4. ACCEPT INFORMATIONAL ITEM: CORPORATE OFFICER CHANGE – TEXAS ROADHOUSE, 2780 MAIN STREET NW

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, FOR APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Councilmember Geisler said the Alexandra House partnership was a great one that benefitted the Police Department and the City.

Mayor Koch asked City Manager Stemwedel to have a conversation about increasing the amount to Alexandra House at the next budget discussion.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC HEARING

5. VACATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT FOR FOLEY BOULEVARD

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch opened and closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m. since no one appeared to address the Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-37 VACATING RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BID OPENINGS AND CONTRACT AWARDS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

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6. PC 19-18: CONSIDER EXTENSION OF PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL – PHEASANT HOLLOW, 12031 PARTRIDGE STREET – NORTHSTAR IMPROVEMENTS
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CARLSON, TO APPROVE A ONE YEAR EXTENSION OF THE PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL TO MARCH 4, 2022 FOR PHEASANT HOLLOW IN PLANNING CASE 19-18.

Councilmember Geisler noted the applicant would have to go back through the entire site plan process if the Preliminary Plat approval expired so it was better for everyone involved to approve an extension.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. PC 21-3: CONSIDER PRELIMINARY PLAT AND FINAL PLAT FOR TWO COMMERCIAL LOTS – 1829 NORTHDALÉ BOULEVARD – MK ENTERPRISES
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Demmer asked if the size was reasonable for multiple tenants. Planner Harlicker said the Planning Commission discussed parking. There would be a shared parking agreement between the two tenants.

Councilmember Johnson asked if there were any environmental issues since the site was previously a gas station. Mr. Harlicker said the tanks had been removed and environmental study was completed. There was some minor remediation required at the site of the top of the tanks.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY PLAT AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-38 GRANTING FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR MK BUSINESS PARK IN PLANNING CASE 21-3 WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. ALL ENGINEERING COMMENTS BE ADDRESSED.
2. ALL COMMENTS FROM THE ANOKA COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BE ADDRESSED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 21-6(9) AWARDING CONTRACT FOR CROOKED LAKE

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BOULEVARD/ROBINSON DRIVE MILL AND OVERLAY

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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-6(9) AWARDED A CONTRACT TO PARK CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,988.22 FOR THE CROOKED LAKE BOULEVARD AND ROBINSON DRIVE MILL AND OVERLAY PROJECT.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked when Robinson Drive was last fully reconstructed. Public Works Director Himmer said early 2000s. Mr. Greskowiak asked if there were any assessments. Mr. Himmer said no, it was being done early enough in the season to take advantage of savings. The savings in the bidding process more than make up for the assessments.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 21-36 ACCEPTING FOAM RECYCLING COALITION GRANT, APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT, AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION 21-39 AMENDING 2021 RECYCLING CENTER FUND BUDGET
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Demmer said he understood there was a pilot program and asked if it was successful. Public Works Director Himmer said the pilot was successful and was still going.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER CARLSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-36 ACCEPTING THE \$50,000 GRANT FROM THE FOAM RECYCLING COALITION; TO APPROVE THE EXECUTION OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COON RAPIDS AND THE FOAM RECYCLING COALITION; AND TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-39 AMENDING THE 2021 RECYCLING CENTER FUND BUDGET FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FORKLIFT AND MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR RELATED TO THE STYROFOAM PROGRAM. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. CONSIDER 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch asked if the entire two-story building was going to be a daycare. Community Development Director Fernelius said that was his understanding.

Councilmember Demmer asked how far down were the number of complaints on the property maintenance division. Mr. Fernelius said they had switched gears on enforcement and started with a courtesy letter rather than a citation.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, TO ACCEPT THE 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ANNUAL REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

OPEN MIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Koch reviewed the rules of order for the Open Mic/Public Comment portion of the meeting.

REPORTS ON PREVIOUS OPEN MIC

11. OPEN MIC REPORT – MR. DANIAL NIMLOS – 12XXX ILEX STREET NW

Mayor Koch discussed Mr. Nimlos’s comments made during Open Mic at the February 16, 2021 Council meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Stemwedel said applications for the Coon Creek Watershed Board of Managers are being accepted. The City needed to supply three names for the Board to formally consider the City’s list.

Mayor Koch asked about concerts in the park. City Clerk Lenzmeier said the Arts Commission was moving forward with planning. They would have to comply with whatever COVID restrictions are applicable at the time.

Mayor Koch encouraged everyone to get out and support the local restaurants.

ADJOURN

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:54 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Jerry Koch, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Joan Lenzmeier, City Clerk