

COON RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The second regular meeting of the Coon Rapids City Council for the month of January was called to order by Mayor Jerry Koch at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, in the Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Koch led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Jerry Koch, Councilmembers Brad Greskowiak, Bill Kiecker, Wade Demmer, Jennifer Geisler, Brad Johnson, and Steve Wells

Members Absent: None

ADOPT AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS REVISED TO SWITCH ITEMS 1. AND 2. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. SWEARING IN OF NEW POLICE OFFICER

Police Chief Wise introduced Police Officer James Malkowski to the City Council on the occasion of his graduating from the police department's field training program and beginning service to the citizens of Coon Rapids.

Mayor Koch administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Malkowski. A round of applause was offered by all in attendance.

2. CITIZENS AWARDS OF MERIT

Captain Hawley read the report of events and presented Todd and Gabriel St. Hilaire with their awards. A round of applause was offered by all in attendance. Captain Hawley talked about the

other police officers and firefighters on scene. Mr. Todd Hilaire thanked everyone for the recognition, but said anyone should stop and help.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

3. JANUARY 7, 2020, COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 7, 2020, COUNCIL MEETING. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (DEMME ABSTAINED)

CONSENT AGENDA/INFORMATIONAL BUSINESS

4. APPROVE FINAL PAYMENT TO MN MECHANICAL SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR PROJECT 19-7, 2019 WELL REHABILITATION
 5. APPROVE JOINT & COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PURCHASING
 6. ADOPT RESOLUTION 20-25 ACCEPTING DONATION FROM VISTA OUTDOOR
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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMME, FOR APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Councilmember Greskowiak, regarding Item 5, thought the air cylinders were purchased in 2019. City Manager Stemwedel explained the purchase was approved as part of the budget; however, the cylinders had not been ordered when the Joint & Cooperative Agreement was discovered. Councilmember Greskowiak asked if the purchase would come from the 2020 budget. City Manager Stemwedel explained the year did not matter because the approved funds stayed until spent.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC HEARING

None.

BID OPENINGS AND CONTRACT AWARDS

7. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 20-7(9) AWARDED CONTRACT FOR 2020 WELL REHABILITATION PROGRAM
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-7(9) AWARDED A CONTRACT TO MUNICIPAL BUILDERS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$390,850.00 FOR THE 2020 WELL REHABILITATION PROGRAM. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. CONSIDER AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR COON RAPIDS BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS, CITY PROJECT 18-13REBID

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch asked if there would be a no left turn lane from Coon Rapids Boulevard to Coon Rapids Boulevard Extension and if Avocet Street was to become Zilla Street. Planner Harliker confirmed.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-13(9REBID) AWARDED A CONTRACT TO S.M. HENTGES & SONS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,483,944.44 FOR COON RAPIDS BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked if the extra work being completed on the bridge was funded by Anoka County. Public Works Director Himmer said that was correct because Anoka County added the work to the scope of the project. He said about 90% of the extra cost belonged to them.

Mayor Koch asked about a project timeline. Public Works Director Himmer was apprehensive about giving a date, but did not believe the project would go beyond November.

Councilmember Demmer noted the crosswalk button in that area was impossible to access when there was snow. Public Works Director Himmer said he would look into it, but noted the project was already designed.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

9. CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS ORDERING PREPARATION OF FEASIBILITY REPORT AND PLANS FOR PROJECT 20-3, STREET RECONSTRUCTION

The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-3(3) ORDERING PREPARATION OF FEASIBILITY REPORT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 20-3(6) ORDERING PREPARATION OF PLANS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. PC 19-26, CONSIDER PUD AMENDMENT FOR A SITE PLAN CONSISTING OF A RETAIL BUILDING AND BANK, 3211 NORTHDALÉ BOULEVARD, KIMLEY-HORN

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Geisler noted the elevation change between the building and the sidewalks. She asked if there would be steps or if it would be ADA compliant. Planner Harliker said the City did not allow steps because of ADA compliance. Councilmember Geisler mentioned the proposed businesses. She said if the applicant decided to include other businesses, they would have to go through the process again and come back before the Council. Planner Harliker agreed the proposal included a restaurant, veterinary clinic, and bank.

Councilmember Greskowiak thought it followed the original intent of the Planned Unit Development well. He asked if there was an easement that allowed a right turn lane into the facility from Main Street. Public Works Director Himmer said one of the stipulations was that if additional right-of-way was needed then a right turn lane would be dedicated.

Councilmember Geisler recommended a condition that restricted deliveries to non-business hours. Mayor Koch thought it was not necessary.

Councilmember Demmer voiced a concern over parking, but said it was the applicant's decision. He agreed with Councilmember Geisler concerning the proposed businesses.

John Diemer, OneCorp Global Vice President of Construction, agreed with Members of the Council and preferred more generic labels for the proposed businesses. He said they were close, but did not have signed leases.

Councilmember Geisler recommended adding Condition No. 9. A recommendation to modify site plan building designation formally called proposed veterinary clinic to be called commercial/retail.

Community Development Director Fernelius said there were a list of permitted retail uses. He thought if those uses were acceptable to the Council then commercial/retail was fine.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GEISLER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO APPROVE THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT AND SITE PLAN WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS:

1. ALL ENGINEERING COMMENTS BE ADDRESSED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW.
2. THE APPLICANT SHALL ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR THIS PROJECT WITH THE CITY. THIS AGREEMENT SHALL ADDRESS, AMONG OTHER ITEMS, PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO SAFELY CONVEY TRAFFIC ON NORTHDALÉ BOULEVARD ENTERING AND EXITING THE SITE AT THE EXISTING SHARED PRIVATE ACCESS. IMPROVEMENTS SHALL CONSIST OF THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THIS LOCATION, AS WELL AS ADA AND SIDEWALK/CROSSWALK IMPROVEMENTS. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS MAY BE REQUIRED FOR THIS PROJECT, AND MAY INCLUDE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW DEDICATED NORTHBOUND RIGHT TURN LANE. THE APPLICANT SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY FOR ITS PORTION OF THESE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS.
3. THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE SAME FORM AS PRESENTED, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.
4. A SIDEWALK SHALL BE PROVIDED THAT CONNECTS WITH THE SIDEWALK ALONG MAIN STREET.
5. ALL SIGNAGE REQUIRE SEPARATE SIGN PERMITS.
6. A PUD AMENDMENT MUST BE EXECUTED BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE DEVELOPER.
7. THE APPLICANT ENTER INTO A SITE SECURITY AGREEMENT.
8. A BIKE RACK BE PROVIDED ADJACENT TO THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING.
9. A RECOMMENDATION TO MODIFY THE SITE PLAN BUILDING DESIGNATION FORMALLY CALLED PROPOSED VETERINARY CLINIC TO COMMERCIAL/RETAIL

FINDINGS:

1. ANY USE MODIFICATION CONFORMS TO THE USE RESTRICTIONS OF THIS SECTION IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE MODIFICATION REQUEST IS CONSIDERED;

THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT CONFORMS TO THE USE RESTRICTIONS OF THIS SECTION.

2. ANY USE OR DESIGN MODIFICATION MEETS APPLICABLE CITY CODE STANDARDS, INCLUDING THIS SECTION, IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE MODIFICATION REQUEST IS CONSIDERED.

Councilmember Demmer agreed with the findings especially number two. He thought the improved traffic flow unquestionably improved the site and was fully in favor. Public Works Director Himmer noted the City was contributing 50% of the cost for the traffic signal.

Mayor Koch asked if the Riverdale Fund was being used. Public Works Director Himmer confirmed.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Diemer said the Coon Rapid's staff was the best he had ever worked with all across the country.

11. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF TV PRODUCTION TRUCK

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch asked about the disposition of the previous truck. City Manager Stemwedel said it would be sold to the public.

Councilmember Demmer commended the staff for the foresight in creating CTN Coon Rapids. He explained that part of a resident's cable bill went to the production and posting of the meetings; however, as cable subscribers decreased it would be more difficult to do. A number of years ago CTN was created and had been producing great content ever since. He thought it was a clever use and supported it.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW TV TRUCK FROM GERLING AND ASSOCIATES INC. FOR \$193,452.00.

Mayor Koch commented the Council meetings were one of the few things the truck was not used for. He talked about some of the things CTN covered.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked if the new Air Conditioner unit that was purchased for the old truck would be used on the new truck. City Manager Stemwedel explained the Air Conditioner unit was related to the larger truck.

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.

Genevieve Meisner, 10041 Olive Street NW, Minneapolis, shared that her Webelos Scout, who was also in attendance, was very interested in improving the solar energy in the City. He wondered how to require solar on all new construction in the City.

REPORTS ON PREVIOUS OPEN MIC

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Stemwedel mentioned the Family Fun Day at Coon Rapids Ice Center on Sunday, February 9th from 2:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Tim Anderson, Bunker Hills Golf Director, talked about some of the activities happening. He said memberships and patron cards went on sale next week.

City Clerk Lenzmeier announced that absentee voting started on Friday, February 17th for the Presidential nomination primary.

Councilmember Wells shared the Coon Rapids North Star Lions Club was hosting a free waffle breakfast on Sunday, February 2nd from 8:00 – 12:00 p.m. The police and fire department would be in attendance with squad cars and fire trucks.

Councilmember Greskowiak noted the 2020 Street Reconstruction Open House on Tuesday, January 28th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

ADJOURN

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:03 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jerry Koch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joan Lenzmeier, City Clerk