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ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, November 16, 2021 – 5:30 PM

Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Tuesday, November 16, 2021 Ashland City Council meeting was called to order by Council President Kevin Haas at 5:38 p.m. It was noted a quorum of the Common Council was present.

A. Roll Call, Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken, a Moment of Silence was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Sarah Jackson, Ana Tochtermann, Eric Lindell, Kevin Haas, Charlie Ortman, Liz Franek, Dick Pufall

ABSENT: Jackie Moore (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, City Attorney Max Lindsey, Finance Director Julie Vaillancourt, Public Works Director John Butler, Parks Director Sara Hudson, Planning Director Megan McBride, and other concerned citizens.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Lindell moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. October 26, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes

B. October 26, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Franek moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

4. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PERIOD

The Clerk read the Rules for Citizen Participation, and the following offered their comments to the Council:

Zygmund Jablonski, 916 6th Avenue West, spoke to Council regarding the repeated work on a sewer lateral on Highway 2 East.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Announcements

Council President Kevin Haas relayed that Mayor Lewis is away tending to a family matter. On her behalf, he noted that the Tree Lighting Ceremony would be held on November 27, 2021 at Pearson Park. NWCSA has continued to work on the homeless shelter and anticipated it being accessible by December 1, 2021. They are also hiring and training staff for the facility. A reminder went out to Council of the final meetings for the year being November 30 and December 7. Finally, he passed along wishes for a joyful Thanksgiving holiday from the Mayor.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve to Accept a Wisconsin DNR Outdoor Recreation Aids Grant for \$300,000 for Ashland Oredock Redevelopment (*Parks*)**
- B. Approve to Accept a Pass-through Grant for \$10,000 from International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA) for the Planning and Design of Future Mountain Bike Trails on the Ashland Memorial Medical Center Campus (*Parks*)**
- C. Approve an Agreement between the City of Ashland and Northwest Community Services Agency Inc. (NWCSA) for CDBG CV Grant 21-38 for a Homeless Shelter (*Mayor*)**
- D. Approve an Original Alcohol Beverage Retail License Application for a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine License for One Night in Bangkok, LLC at 311 Main Street East, Ashland, Agent Jodi Rush (*Clerk*)**

E. Approve Utility Access Agreement at 1522 9th Avenue West and 1604 9th Avenue West
(Public Works)

F. Approve a Proposal from the Historical Consulting, LLC for Professional Services to Prepare Nomination of a Fifield Row Historic District on the National Register of Historical Places *(Planning)*

G. Miscellaneous Meeting Minutes

Lindell moved, seconded by Franek to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve a Resolution to Exempt the City of Ashland from the Ashland County Library Levy *(Administrator)* Roll

Jackson moved, seconded by Lindell to approve the resolution. The motion passed 7-1 by roll call vote; Pufall opposed.

B. Approve to Increase the Contract with Managing Results, LLC as the Strategic Planning Consultant for the City of Ashland*(Administrator)* Roll

Lindell moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve to increase the contract by \$5,993.00. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

C. Approve a Resolution to Submit an EPA Brownfields Site Assessment Grant Application *(Planning)* Roll

Jackson moved, seconded by Lindell to approve the resolution. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

D. Approve an Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Ashland and Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. for Preparation of an EPA Brownfields Site Grant Application *(Planning)* Roll

Lindell moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the agreement for \$4,875.00. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

E. Approve a Resolution to Rezone Parcel #201-05070-0000 from Light Industrial (LI) to Single-Family Residential (R-1). Applicant: Lawrence Pufall *(Planning)* Roll

Lindell moved, seconded by Franek to approve the resolution. The motion failed 2-6 by roll call vote; opposed were Haas, Ortman, Seefeldt, Jackson, Tochtermann, and Lindell.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Lindell moved, seconded by Jackson to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk

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