

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 17, 2021
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for August 17, 2021 to order at 7:00 PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Councilmembers Lisa Iverson, Linda Nanko Yeager, Brett Ohnstad, Dennis Schilling, and Claire Luger

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Tom Loonan, Eckberg Lammers, Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Kelly Dumais, Assistant City Administrator, Mark Erichson-WSB, Paul Hoppe - Public Safety Director, Fred Weck, Zoning Administrator/Building Official and Chuck Almhjeld, Public Works Superintendent

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for August 4, 2021

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR AUGUST 4, 2021 AS SUBMITTED

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the "Consent Agenda" will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

2. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll and journal entries for the period of August 5, 2021 to August 17, 2021
3. To consider **Resolution 21-08-84** accepting a donation for Railroad Park from Dick's Tattoo
4. To consider **Resolution 21-08-85** Accepting a donation to Railroad Park from Oak Point Business Center

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY

COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD TO APPROVE #2, #3, and #4 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, and Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND DEPARTMENTS HEADS:

5. Report of the Public Safety Director, Paul Hoppe for August 11, 2021
6. Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV for August 12, 2021
7. Report of City Attorney Tom Loonan for August 12, 2021
8. Report of Public Works Superintendent Chuck Almhjeld for August 13, 2021
9. Report from AEM Financial Solutions for 2nd Quarter Financial Statements for 2021

COMMUNICATIONS:

OLD BUSINESS:

10. To consider **Resolution 21-08-77** to purchase a 2021 Polaris Ranger 570 from Tousley Motorsports in the amount of \$14,922.90 including documentation fee, minus \$3,000 for a trade-in of the 2006 Polaris Ranger for a total cost of \$11,922.90

Public Works Superintendent Almhjeld – Reminded the Council that this item was tabled at the last meeting and asked that it once again be tabled with the hope that they will be ready to take action by the next meeting.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO TABLE RESOLUTION 21-08-77

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

NEW BUSINESS

11. To consider **Resolution 21-08-86** a resolution approving a Variance: V-21-001 – Rear Property Line Setback at Forest Boulevard/County Road 30 by the applicant, Advanced Engineering Concepts and owner Hallberg, Inc. Property ID Numbers: 21.10293.00 and 21.11084.72

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Explained that Hallberg would like to construct an RV storage facility and are asking for a variance to the rear property setback. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the variance request as well as the site plan, with the one condition as noted.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked questions about the fencing, security, and access to the trail.

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Stated that there is no screening requirement for this use where they are located which is the freeway and the County road. He noted that they are providing an access to the trail.

Mr. Hallberg – Stated that there will be security cameras in place.

Mayor Iverson – Asked Mr. Hallberg to describe more about the type or RVs that will be stored at this location.

Mr. Hallberg – Stated that one of the main things that they will be doing with this project is there will be a limit of one item per stall, so there will not be an accumulation of junk in any of the units. He stated that they will also limit the age of the vehicles and do not want anything that is older than 10-15 years. He stated that he suspects that the users were be the type of people who bring their RV up north for extended periods or retired individuals who go south for the winter.

Mayor Iverson – Asked for a description of the proposed fencing.

Mr. Hallberg - Stated that it is a chain link fence that has plastic slats that are 98% opaque. He stated that it is a more durable type fencing with the slats and noted that they were considering going with the color green, but are open to other options if the Council would like them to consider something else. He stated that their thought was that the green would fit in better with the environment. He reiterated that they are planning on installing security cameras and area only doing lights attached to the buildings and not street lights.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-08-86 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A VARIANCE FOR THE REAR PROPERTY SETBACK AT FOREST BOULEVARD/COUNTY ROAD 30 AT PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS 21.10293.00 AND 21.11084.72

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager
Abstain: None
Absent: None

- 12.** To consider Resolution 21-08-87 a resolution approving a Site Plan Review: SP-21-002 – Hallberg RV Storage Facility at Forest Boulevard/County Road 30 by Advanced Engineering Concepts and owner, Hallberg, Inc., Property ID Numbers 21.10293.00 and 21.11084.72

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 21-08-87 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SITE PLAN REVIEW: SP-21-002 HALLBERG RV STORAGE FACILITY AT FOREST BOULEVARD/COUNTY ROAD 30 BY ADVANCED ENGINEERING CONCEPTS AND OWNER, HALLBERG, INC. PROPERTY ID NUMBERS 21.10293.00 AND 21.11084.72.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager
Abstain: None
Absent: None

- 13.** To consider the hiring of Trevor Minor for the position of Police Officer at a rate of \$29.79

Public Safety Director Hoppe – Gave an overview the hiring and interview process. He stated that they are recommending approval of hiring Trevor Minor and gave some background information on his education and experience.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF TREVOR MINOR FOR THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER AT A RATE OF \$29.79

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

14. To consider approving the City of Wyoming application to the Resilient Communities Project

Assistant City Administrator Dumais – Explained that improving walkability, expanding ADA infrastructure, and making progress towards the Railroad Park construction are all priorities that the Council set forth in 2021. She noted that two projects have been reviewed and proposed for the City's application to the Resilient Communities Project as part of those initiatives: Aging in Parks and Community Show and Tell; and gave a brief overview of the projects. The Park Advisory Commission has reviewed each and recommended approval. She gave a brief overview of the University of Minnesota Resilient Communities Project.

Mayor Iverson – Suggested that the City hold off on one of the projects. She stated that she would like to consider moving forward with the Railroad Park portion, but since the University of Minnesota offers this Resilient Communities program every year hold off on the other project and submit the following year.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Noted that she thinks that there is quite a bit of duplication of work with the work that WSB will be doing with the Park and Trail Master Plan. She stated that if there were to be a project, she would like to see the scope broadened beyond just Aging in the Parks to encompass the whole subject of Aging in the City, since Aging in Place was a goal of Council. She stated that she sees possibilities of the work with Railroad Park, but is concerned about cost.

Council Member Luger – Asked for a description of the work WSB is going on the Master Plan for Parks and Trails and how that will work with what is being proposed tonight.

Assistant City Administrator Dumais – Gave an overview of the City-wide Park and Trail Master Plan that WSB will be putting together and explained that the Resilient Communities project would look specifically at how people age in place in Wyoming, specifically in the parks.

Mayor Iverson – Stated that, as proposed, the funding would come out of the Parks fund, but asked if it was broadened, as suggested by Council Member Nanko Yeager, what that funding source would be.

Assistant City Administrator Dumais – Stated that if it was broadened, she thinks that would fit more into what WSB is doing with the Master Plan because they are looking City-wide.

The Council discussed holding off and staggering one of the projects to a later time and beginning with the Veterans Memorial project first.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE THE CITY OF WYOMING APPLICATION TO THE RESILIENT COMMUNITIES PROJECT FOCUSING ON THE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PROJECT WITH THE SECOND PROJECT TO BE LOOKED AT AFTER THE FIRST IS ASSESSED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager

Abstain: None

Absent: None

15. Proclamation Recognizing and Commemorating the 31st Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act

Assistant City Administrator Dumais – Gave an overview of the City’s efforts to continue affirming its commitment to access for all people. .

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHSTAD, TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AND COMMEMORATING THE 31ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Ohnstad – Attended the Planning Commission meeting.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Attended the Sewer Commission meeting and the American Rescue Plan meeting with the County.

Council Member Luger – No report.

Council Member Schilling – No report.

Mayor Iverson – Attended the American Rescue Plan meeting, the Sewer Commission, the Park Commission, and the Planning Commission. She stated that Stomp out Suicide is coming up this weekend and Stagecoach Day will be on September 18, 2021.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 17, 2021 “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7:42 PM

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

A portion of this public meeting may be closed to discuss “Labor Negotiation Strategies”; “Misconduct allegations or charges”; “Attorney-client privilege”; or “Performance evaluations” as per MN State Statute 13D.01-.05.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 7, 2021
7:00PM