

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
March 14, 2016

The Marshalltown City Council met in regular session on March 14, 2016, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Lowrance called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Lowrance congratulated the Fraternal Order of Police on raising \$8200 to assist their community projects, including the holiday Shop with a Cop. Present: Gowdy, Greer, Hoop, Lamer, Martin, Schubert, Wirin. Schubert moved to approve the agenda, second by Greer. Motion approved 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Martin moved to approve the Consent Agenda: Approve Council meeting Minutes of February 22, 2016, and Special Meeting minutes of March 7, 2016; Approve Bill List in the amount of \$1,968,376.38; Purchases between \$10,000 and \$35,000 and Vertical Public Improvements below \$36,000 Approved by City Administrator: Airport Farm Lease, \$20,738.80; Receipt of Civil Service New Hire List, Street Mechanic; Receipt of Building Report for February 2016; Renewal Liquor licenses: Wandering Creek Golf Course, Grocery Store Y Tortilleria La Vecindad, Golden Land, Elmwood Country Club, The Spot; second by Wirin. Consent agenda adopted 7-0.

REPORT:

Kenn Vinson updated the council on the Alliant project, with the project about 70% complete, estimating mechanical completion in the fall of 2016, and start up in the spring of 2017.

Michelle Spohnheimer, Housing & Community Development Director, reviewed progress on the MHS Roundhouse Public Art Project. The 15 person selection committee narrowed the field to four artists and have asked for site specific concept drawings. Grant funding is for public art, landscaping and ground seating. City funds will not be used on the project.

MOTIONS:

Wirin moved to approve HyVee Party Room transfers to Elmwood Country Club for wine club, Thursday nights: - March 17, 2016, July 21, 2016 August 11, September 15th, October 20th, November 17th, January 19, 2017, February 16th, March 16th, April 20th, May 18th, June 15th, second by Greer. Greer amended the motion to include March 24, 2016, second by Wirin. Motion carried 7-0.

Hoop moved to accept Recommendations of Citizens Police and Fire Advisory Committee, provide staff direction to begin environmental and other property analysis and develop costs for council to consider, second by Greer. Motion carried 7-0.

Lamer moved to approve January Financials, second by Wirin. Motion carried 7-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Lamer moved to adopt Resolution 2016-034 Approving Contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., for accounting software and implementation, second by Schubert. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Schubert moved to adopt Resolution 2016-035 Approving Umpire Agreement for 2016 Adult Softball Program Season, second by Wirin. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Gowdy moved to adopt Resolution 2016-036 Approving Loan Application through the Firefighting Equipment Revolving Loan Fund, second by Martin. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Lamer moved to adopt Resolution 2016-037 Ordering Construction of the 2016 Mill and Overlay Project 76016004A, second by Greer. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Gowdy moved to adopt Resolution 2016-038 Ordering Construction of the 2015 MicroSurfacing Project 76015003A, second by Schubert. Resolution adopted 7-0.

Lamer moved to adopt Resolution 2016-039 Approving Agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for a City Highway Bridge Program, North Center Street Bridge Replacement Project 76016001A, second by Wirin. Resolution adopted 7-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Lowrance declared the public hearing open at 6:19 pm. Public Works Director Nickel reviewed the project, being required by the Iowa DNR Consent Order. This project identifies segments of the utility needing repair. Linda Clark, 306 S 2nd Ave, asked questions about the pipe lining project currently underway. Bill Egleston noted his approval. There were no written comments. Mayor Lowrance closed the public hearing at 6:22 pm.

Greer moved to adopt Resolution 2016-040 Approving Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Cost for the 2016 Sanitary Sewer Televising Project 59015011A, second by Lamer.

ORDINANCES

Greer moved to adopt the third reading of and Ordinance 14947 Amending Chapter 27 “Vegetation” relating to planting and maintenance of terrace trees and prohibited tree species on or adjacent to any street, terrace, avenue of highway in the city, second by Hoop. Section 27-20 will be corrected to replace the word “compiled” with “complied”. Third reading and Ordinance adopted 7-0.

Wirin moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance 14948 Amending the Marshalltown Zoning Ordinance Amending the Wandering Creek Planned Unit Development Generally Located on the South Side of 233rd Street West of Campbell Drive, hereafter known as Eagle View at Wandering Creek Planned Unit Development, second by Greer. Second reading adopted 7-0.

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Lamer moved to adopt the first reading of Revised Ordinance 14945 Amending Sanitary Sewer Rates, second by Greer. The revision is required to correct a typographical error. The surcharge rate for contributors greater than domestic strength waste water (2016 TKN charge) is listed as \$.035 and should be \$0.35. Greer moved to waive the second and third readings and adopt the Revised Ordinance, second by Martin. Ordinance adopted 7-0.

DISCUSSION

Request for storm water detention pond funding, city parking lot / alley / Kibbey building, 50% reimbursement of estimated total costs of \$110,000, not to exceed \$55,000. Public Works Director Nickel reviewed submitted plans and determined the city share of the work is \$44,000. The project requires an inspection fee, estimated at \$4,840. Other storm water projects are ahead of this one in city priority and need to be rescheduled if the council orders construction of this project. Councilor Lamer said the project should move forward, limiting the city contribution to the public benefit and not use public funds for the private portion of the project. Councilors Greer, Hoop and Schubert indicated they'd like to move forward with the project. A representative from the adjacent business spoke to the alley water drainage issue that presents a problem with their alternate exit in the alley.

Finance Director Steiner reviewed the changes to the Investment policy, last revised in 2010. The depository resolution is also being updated.

Public Works Director Nickel announced the bids for the 2015 Oil Mix Streets project (Hilltop, S 8th Street, Maytag Road, Highland Acres Road areas) came in \$102,000 over the engineer's estimate, even though the engineer's estimate was developed with assistance from the bidder. The council discussed reducing the scope of the project to meet the budget target, possibly reducing the quantity by 25%, resulting in eliminating Maytag Road improvement. The council agreed the project should move forward and at least get the Hilltop area improved and to bring back for discussion to see if funds are available for full cost of the bid amount.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chief Tupper applauded Alliant staffing regarding the intersection at Nevada and S 18th Avenue, as the number of people using the intersection have increased without many accidents. Crimestoppers has been active for six months, receiving 65 tips resulting in several arrests, and publicly thanked Clark Wideman for chairing the organization. Police Citizens Academy starts March 15. City Administrator Wetmore informed the council the demolition of dilapidated projects will be bidding soon. The compost area will open Monday, March 28 for the season. Linda Clark, 306 S 2nd Ave, commented on city issues.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN

ATTEST:

James L. Lowrance, Mayor

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk