

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

March 13, 2017

The Marshalltown City Council met in regular session on March 13, 2017, at 5:30 PM, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Lowrance called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Gowdy, Greer, Hoop, Lamer, Martin, Wirin. Hoop complimented the street department on the prompt snow removal. Greer moved to approve the agenda, second by Wirin. Motion approved 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Lamer moved to approve the Consent Agenda: Approve Council meeting Minutes of February 27, 2017, and Special Minutes of March 6, 2017; Approve Bill List in the amount of \$1,312,716.49; Resolution 2017-040 Approving Removal of Street Light at N 3rd Avenue, near Riverside Street; Resolution 2017-041 Approving Fees for the Marshalltown Engineering Division by the City of Marshalltown, Iowa; Resolution 2017-042 Approving Fees at the Marshalltown Compost Facility by the City of Marshalltown, Iowa; Resolution 2017-043 Approving a Contribution to the Marshalltown 4th of July Fireworks; Resolution 2017-044 Approving Contract Change Order #2 for the 2015 STP Iowa Avenue East Mill and Overlay Project 76015010, an increase of \$6,019.60; Resolution 2017-045 Approving a Certificate of Completion and Final Project Costs with OMG Midwest, dba Cessford Construction, in the amount of \$431,021.60 for Construction of the 2015 STP Iowa Avenue East Mill and Overlay Project No. 76015010; Resolution 2017-046 Approving Contract Change Order #2 for the 2015 STP East Main Street Mill and Overlay Project 76015008, an increase of \$12,248.25; Resolution 2017-047 Approving a Certificate of Completion and Final Project Costs with Manatt's Inc., in the amount of \$542,513.47 for Construction of the 2015 STP East Main Street Mill and Overlay Project No. 76015008; Resolution 2017-048 Approving an Amendment to the Agreement with the Marshalltown Softball Association Related to Insurance Coverage; Liquor application renewals: Wandering Creek Golf Course; The Perfect Setting; HyVee Party Room; second by Martin. Consent agenda adopted 6-0.

REPORTS:

Marshalltown Central Business District Director, Jenny Etter, reviewed the 2017 events calendar and strategic planning session by the board with the city council. Etter is in process of accumulating petition signatures in support of a SSMID (self supporting municipal improvement district) for the downtown area. The SSMID funds will be used exclusively on projects and services that enhance the downtown business district.

Mike Schlesinger, representing Marshall County Crime Stoppers, asked the council to assist in funding security cameras and server storage. Nine cameras and the server are estimated at just under \$60K. Crime Stoppers intend to ask the city and county each for \$20K. The cameras are intended to be accessed by public safety personnel.

MOTIONS:

Hoop moved to approve a special event liquor license for Fiddle & Whistle, second by Greer. Motion carried 6-0.

Martin moved to approve a special event liquor license for Sanchez Entertainment Iowa at the Central Iowa Fairgrounds, second by Wirin. Motion carried 6-0.

Wirin moved to Approve October 2016 Financials, second by Greer. Motion carried 6-0.

Lamer moved to Approve November 2016 Financials, second by Wirin. Motion carried 6-0.

Lamer moved to Approve December 2016 Financials, second by Greer. Motion carried 6-0.

RESOLUTIONS:

Lamer moved to adopt Resolution 2017-049 Approving a Special Election for August 1, 2017, regarding reallocation of Local Option Sales and Service Taxes, with language inserted: 78% directed to property tax relief and 22% for any lawful purpose, second by Wirin. Resolution adopted 5-1, with Hoop dissenting.

Gowdy moved to adopt Resolution 2017-050 Authorizing a temporary restriction of access to parcel 8418-35-128-025, commonly known as the MCBF Alley, for a special event scheduled for March 16-18, 2017, second by Wirin. Motion carried 6-0.

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ORDINANCES

Wirin moved to adopt the second reading of Ordinance 14958 Approving Changes to the Zoning Ordinance of 2010 MAP by Rezoning Properties to Traditional Neighborhood (TN) District, second by Greer. 1015, 1101, 1201 and 1203 S 6th Street will be rezoned to TN District, allowing flexibility developers require and additional aesthetic design. Second reading adopted 6-0.

Greer moved to adopt the first reading and waive second and third readings, and to adopt Ordinance 14959 Approving Nuisance changes, second by Lamer. Changes include increasing the time to remove snow from sidewalks to 24 hours after a snow event and changing the process in service of notice of nuisance violation. First reading adopted, second and third readings waived, and Ordinance adopted on 5-1 vote, Martin dissenting.

DISCUSSION:

The council discussed the proposed Contract with the Marshalltown Convention & Visitor's Bureau, changes include recognizing the Regional Partnership has oversight of the MCVB, and added quarterly financial reporting to the city. MCVB Executive Director Val Ruff asked for a one year extension of the current funding level at 67% of the Hotel Motel receipts, which is about 10% of the MCVB budget. Tyler Wollam and Carol Hibbs also asked for the funding level to remain at 67%. Hotel Motel receipts are expected to decline due to the completion of the Alliant project.

City Administrator Kinser recommended the council explore alternatives to a traditional spring cleanup day by providing dumpsters at a single location for people to drop off items that are allowable at the landfill, similarly to the hazardous waste drop off day and the white goods and electronics drop off day. The hazardous waste day is planned for Saturday, May 20. Kinser asked the council for direction to prior to obtaining dumpster costs.

The death of Robert Schubert created a council vacancy representing the First Ward. The council discussed a interview process with appointment of an individual on April 10.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ed Wyllie, 304 N 11th Avenue, addressed the council with a sidewalk issue, Jason Vajgrt, 713 Union St, commented on cost of home improvement, Linda Clark, 306 S 2nd St, read a letter by Bob Forbes on immigration.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN

ATTEST:

James L. Lowrance, Mayor

Shari L. Coughenour, CMC, City Clerk