

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
August 20, 2018**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, August 20 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas. Mayor Laura Wassmer presided.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Council Members in attendance: Chad Herring, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Ronald Nelson, Tucker Poling, Andrew Wang, Sheila Myers, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ted Odell and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present: Captain Dan Stewart; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; David Waters, Interim City Attorney; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Jamie Robichaud, Assistant City Administrator; Alley Porter, Assistant to the City Administrator, and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Serena Schermoly moved the approval of the agenda for August 20, 2018 as presented. The motion was seconded by Ron Nelson and passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

Mayor Wassmer welcomed three boy scouts from Troop 284 in attendance for their "Citizenship in the Community" badge.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

With no one present to address the Council, public participation was closed at 6:02.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Wassmer asked if there were any items to be removed from the consent agenda and discussed. Ron Nelson asked for a correction to the minutes on page 7 to clarify that he made the motion to call the question, not Tucker Poling as stated.

Dan Runion moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda of August 20, 2018:

1. Approval of the Regular City Council meeting minutes for August 6, 2018 as amended.
2. Approval of Claims Ordinance #2969



3. Approval of Ordinance 2390 approving the Shawnee Mission East Alumni Event at the Blue Moose as a special event and authorize the sale, consumption and possession of alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverages within the boundaries of the barricaded public areas of the event

A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: “aye” Herring, J. Nelson, Schermoly, R. Nelson, Poling, Wang, Myers, Morehead, Runion, McFadden, Odell and Gallagher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

JazzFest Committee

Serena Schermoly asked if Council members had been e-mailed to volunteer at JazzFest. Brooke Morehead responded staff would e-mail Council members the link for volunteer sign-up. Joyce Hagen Mundy added that Council members will also be sent information on the VIP tent and asked to respond.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Wassmer reported she attended the Northeast Johnson County Mayors’ meeting. She reported on her recent trip to Washington, D.C. for the Kansas and Nebraska White House Conference. Mayor Wassmer reviewed the itinerary for the event and key information shared. She particularly mentioned that the Kansas Department of Transportation has been selected to participate in the Unmanned Aircraft Systems Integration Pilot Program in Salina, Kansas, one of ten pilot programs in the country.

Mayor Wassmer acknowledged City Administrator Wes Jordan’s 30 years of service to the City of Prairie Village. Mr. Jordan was presented with a city street sign in appreciation for his leadership. He stated he was proud to have the opportunity to serve Prairie Village.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- The Police Department Open House will be Saturday, August 25th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Mayor Wassmer congratulated the department on their successful handling of a recent shooting incident.

Public Works

- Keith Bredehoeft reported the Resident Information meeting on the Cherokee/71st Street Project will be Wednesday, August 22nd from 5 to 7 p.m.
- Mr. Bredehoeft advised he planned to bring the pedestrian activated beacons for Council approval at the next meeting.



- Mr. Bredehoeft announced the American Public Works Association (APWA) conference will be held in Kansas City beginning the 26th. He and representatives of VanTrust would be making a presentation on the Meadowbrook Development.
- Mr. Herring asked for an update on the residential street repair program. Mr. Bredehoeft responded updates can be found on the City's website under Orange Barrel Report.

Administration

- Wes Jordan reported he met with the new KCP&L customer service representative for this area. He has invited her to the September 4th Council meeting to introduce herself and discuss the age of the current infrastructure and any planned updates, Mr. Jordan stated he has also asked Jill Geller with Johnson County Park & Recreation District to provide the City with an update on Meadowbrook Park at an upcoming meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

COU2018-36 Consider approval of a Resolution in support of the principles of the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)

In June, the City Council directed staff to prepare a resolution in support of the principles of CEDAW without any expenditures of funds or additional action being taken at this time, with an annual review to be conducted to determine the implementation of further action. The resolution was prepared by staff and brought to Council for consideration of approval.

Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Terrence Gallagher, Andrew Wang, Serena Schermoly, and Sheila Myers spoke in opposition to the proposed resolution, citing concerns with a resolution limited to discrimination solely against women, questioning the need for the resolution and how it would reflect upon the City, potential future expenditures from its adoption, and concerns with references to CEDAW found in the resolution.

Ron Nelson, Chad Herring, Jori Nelson and Tucker Poling spoke in support of the resolution, stressing the need to address discrimination against women, noting the resolution did not commit the City to expend future funds nor does it adopt the CEDAW Treaty.

Ron Nelson moved the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Resolution 2018-04 in support of the principles supported by the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW). The motion was seconded by Tucker Poling.

Terrence Gallagher moved to amend the motion to refer the resolution back to staff to be expanded to address all forms of discrimination. The motion failed for the lack of a second.

Sheila Myers moved to amend the motion removing the first and fourth paragraphs, which referenced CEDAW. The motion was seconded by Serena Schermoly. The motion was voted on and passed by a 7 to 5 vote with the following votes cast: “aye” Schermoly, Wang, Myers, Morehead, Runion, Odell and Gallagher; “nay” Herring, J. Nelson, R. Nelson, Poling and McFadden.

Jori Nelson asked for clarification on the difference between a resolution and a proclamation. Interim City Attorney David Waters responded that a resolution is the formal opinion of the Governing Body, whereas a proclamation is usually issued by the Mayor in recognition of an event or individual. A resolution does not become part of the city’s codes

Dan Runion moved to further amend the motion to state that the City of Prairie Village is committed to eliminate all forms of illegal discrimination based on Federal and State law throughout our community and to conform the language in the resolution to address the broader discrimination against all classes in accordance with all applicable Federal and State laws. The motion was seconded by Terrence Gallagher.

Chad Herring stated he felt the proposed amendment did not provide the clarity needed for the Council to make an informed vote and suggested a clearer motion would be to refer the resolution back to staff for further revisions based on his proposed motion.

Dan Runion withdrew his earlier motion to further amend and Mr. Gallagher withdrew his second. Dan Runion moved to refer the proposed resolution back to staff for revisions that the City of Prairie Village is committed to complying with Federal and State law prohibiting illegal discrimination. The motion was seconded by Terrence Gallagher and was voted on and passed by a 7 to 5 vote with the following votes cast: “aye” Schermoly, Wang, Myers, Morehead, Runion, Odell, and Gallagher; “nay” Herring, J. Nelson, R. Nelson, Poling and McFadden.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the City Council

Brooke Morehead moved the City Council go into the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sheila Myers and passed unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Council President Dan Runion presided over the Council Committee of the Whole.

COU2018-37 Consider approval of traffic calming measures on 67th Street between Roe and Nall

Residents along 67th Street have desired traffic calming measures and have met the requirements of the traffic calming program. The final petition exceeded 60% approval of the residents to install these measures. Keith Bredehoeft reviewed the proposed traffic calming measure (one neck down installed at 67th & Hodges), which will be installed initially as a temporary measure and, if determined to be effective, will be made permanent. There will also be two speed display signs added near Fonticello. Mr. Bredehoeft stated the improvements will be built in the fall of 2018 at an approximate cost of \$10,000 with funding from Project TRAFESV: Traffic Calming.

Questions were raised regarding the impact of the proposed traffic calming measure on the future implementation of the master bike/pedestrian plan for the City, the impact on street maintenance and snow removal, and the cost and the validity of the two-year old traffic study. Mr. Bredehoeft replied the traffic study is to determine if the area meets the criteria established for traffic calming actions with the greater part of the cost covering two speed display signs proposed and that the proposed traffic calming measures would not have a negative impact on the implementation of the master bike/pedestrian plan or street maintenance.

Jori Nelson moved the City Council approve the installation of traffic calming measures as presented on 67th and Hodges on the south side of the island. The motion was seconded by Chad Herring and passed by a vote of 11 to 1 with Mr. Odell voting in opposition.

Ron Nelson moved to adjourn the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting and return to the City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Brooke Morehead and passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Wassmer noted announcements were included in the Council packet and encouraged people to attend the Police Department Open House on Saturday, August 25th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Terrence Gallagher stated the deadline for Teen Council applications is September 15th and encouraged students to apply.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Wassmer declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk