

# CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE AUGUST 5, 2019

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, August 5, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas. Mayor Mikkelson presided.

#### ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Council Members in attendance: Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Ron Nelson, Andrew Wang, Sheila Myers, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ted Odell and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present: Tim Schwartzkopf, Chief of Police; Melissa Prenger, Public Works; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Jamie Robichaud, Deputy City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda for August 5, 2019. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# **INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS**

No students or scouts were in attendance.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

Kansas City Power and Light Customer Solutions Manager Rebecca Galati provided information about the company's recent merger with Westar Energy and reviewed the following information: size of the current service territory; reasons for outages; the restoration and prioritization process; the tree canopy per mile in Prairie Village; 2017-2019 storm impacts; and addressing proactive assessment of four of the worst performing circuits that impact City residents. Ms. Galati stated that she would report those findings once the study is completed, and provide follow-up information to specific Council questions.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Lisa Santa Maria presented the final version of the 2020 budget, noting that the mill rate of 19.314 would remain the same as 2019. She added that the overall increase from 2019 was approximately 2%, and the "all-in" total was \$39 million. No one was present to speak during the public participation portion of the hearing. The budget fully funds all programs and includes a \$500,000 contingency fund in addition to a 25% target fund balance.



Mr. Odell moved the City Council approve the 2020 budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson, and passed 10-0.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Charles Schollenberger, 3718 W. 79<sup>th</sup> Terrace, shared his concerns with power outages in the City, and stated that he was happy to see they were being addressed by Council.
- Molly Logan, 5109 W. 73<sup>rd</sup> Street, spoke about the Borgen project, an effort to reduce global poverty. She urged Councilmembers to contact Congressional representatives expressing their support. Mayor Mikkelson recommended Ms. Logan work with her Council representatives, adding that the City could issue a resolution about the project, if deemed appropriate.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Mikkelson asked if there were any items to remove from the consent agenda for discussion:

- 1. Approval of regular City Council meeting minutes July 15, 2019
- 2. Approval of expenditure ordinance #2980
- 3. Approve Boy Scout Troop 98's short-term special use permit application
- 4. Approve the 2020 Mission Hills contract and the 2020 Mission Hills budget
- 5. Approve school crossing guard agreement with All City Management Services
- 6. Approve request for alcoholic beverage waiver for Harmon Park for the Prairie Village Jazz Festival
- 7. Approve Enterprise fleet management lease program for City vehicles

Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, and Mr. Nelson seconded.

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

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Nelson stated that she and City staff met with two companies, Compost Collective and Glass Bandit, to discuss curbside compost and glass recycling. A presentation will be made to Council in September.

Ms. Nelson added that applications for the Teen Council will be available soon.

Mrs. Schermoly reminded Councilmembers that the annual JazzFest event would take place on September 7<sup>th</sup>, and that volunteers were needed.



## MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Mikkelson reported the following:

- The Mayor commended staff for the second quarter financial report of the 2019 budget, noting that expenditures were lower than projected. He also acknowledged Public Safety staff for reduced crime statistics through the first six months of the year.
- If approved by the Library Board, an RFP for the Community Center study will be published on August 9<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor has created an ad-hoc committee to guide the process: Mrs. Myers will chair the Committee, and be joined by Mr. Runion, Mr. Herring, Mr. Poling, Mrs. Morehead, and one citizen member, Randy Knight.
- The Mayor attended a Planning Commission work session to discuss an updated version of Village Vision, the City's comprehensive plan. Community outreach programs will be forthcoming.
- The Shawnee Mission School District's State of the Schools luncheon will take place on August 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A dedication ceremony will be held for the naming of Shaffer Park on Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The Mayor, along with Chief Schwartzkopf and Major Roberson will present at a meeting of the Johnson County chapter of the NAACP on August 10<sup>th</sup>.

# STAFF REPORTS

# Public Safety

 Chief Schwartzkopf reported that National Night Out would take place at Prairie Village Shopping Center on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Additionally, the Cone with a Cop event would be held on August 9<sup>th</sup> at TCBY from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### Public Works

 Melissa Prenger provided updates on construction projects, including the road replacement on Roe from 63<sup>rd</sup> to 67<sup>th</sup> Streets, Somerset south of 83<sup>rd</sup> Street for the Delmar-Fontana project, and others.

#### Administration

- Lisa Santa Maria stated that copies of the second quarter financial report were available for those in attendance. She added that research is still being done to determine how the "dark store theory" could affect the City. Finally, she noted that although reduced sales tax revenues have been a problem for surrounding cities in 2019, they had not been an issue in Prairie Village.
- Jamie Robichaud said that community input sessions for Phase II of the Village Vision 2.0 update would be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. Gould Evans will provide a presentation, followed by roundtable discussions.



• David Waters stated that possible changes to terms of office would be discussed at the next Council meeting. In 2015, when the state moved elections from the spring to the fall, the new legislation required all elected officials to take office on the second Monday in January. This caused issues for cities such as Prairie Village, which do not hold meetings on that date. In 2019, the Kansas legislature passed Senate Bill 105, allowing cities to pick their own date, which can be any time between the first Monday in December and the second Monday in January. Mr. Waters added that many other cities have selected the first Monday in December, but that Council could choose any date within the provided time period.

Mrs. Morehead and Mr. Odell shared concerns about moving to the first Monday in December, noting that it would shorten existing terms by over a month.

• Wes Jordan stated that he appreciated the effort Rebecca Galati had made to address power outage issues in the City.

Mr. Jordan added that a third draft of the drone ordinance would be presented at the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Additionally, representatives from the Johnson County Parks and Recreation District will be present to provide an update on the next development phases at Meadowbrook Park.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business to come before the Council.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# COU2019-37 Consider approval of 2019 waste tire grant projects

Ms. Prenger shared that the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) launched a waste tire management program in January, 2019. Tires are a valuable resource for parks because they can be incorporated into hard surfaces which are ADA compliant. The grant is a 50/50 cost share between KDHE and the City, and if approved, would provide new hard surfaces at the playgrounds located at Franklin Park and Weltner Park. Similar projects are planned to be completed at other City parks in the future. Funding for the project comes from the ADA reserve fund that is a part of the CIP budget.

Mr. Odell moved the City Council approve the project as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson, and passed 10-0.

COU2019-38

Consider approval of addendum #1 to construction administration agreement with TREKK Design Group for 2019 paving and CARS programs



Ms. Prenger stated that TREKK Design Group currently provides contract inspection services to supplement the inspectors that work for the City. At this time, there are the equivalent of four full-time inspectors to administer the City's construction projects. TREKK inspectors were hired to finish 2018 inspections and were also able to complete some 2019 inspections with funds left over from the 2018 contract. This addendum will allow for the completion of 2019 inspections. Funding is available in the 2019 paving program for the contract.

Mr. Odell moved the City Council approve the agreement addendum as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gallagher, and passed 10-0.

Mrs. Morehead made a motion that the City Council move to the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson and passed unanimously.

## COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Consider revision to solicitor regulations - Chapter 5, Article 2

Adam Geffert stated that the City faced challenges in dealing with some solicitors, and was seeking guidance from Council on how to strengthen licensing requirements and provide options for addressing problematic solicitors. He reviewed the current process, noting that the City had received complaints about solicitors from residents due to overly aggressive sales techniques, refusing to leave when asked and ignoring "no solicitors" signs. Regulations from several surrounding cities were shared for comparison. Mr. Geffert reviewed a number of recommendations to improve the process.

Mr. Odell shared his concern with making regulations too restrictive, noting that doing so could hurt small businesses and community-based fundraising efforts. Mrs. Schermoly asked for clarification on which businesses would require City licenses; Mr. Geffert stated he would provide additional information to Council after the meeting. Mrs. Myers suggested staff revise the ordinance with proposed recommendations and bring it back to Council for approval at a future meeting.

# **New Business**

There was no new business to come before the Council Committee of the Whole.

Ms. Nelson moved that the City Council end the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. Mrs. Schermoly seconded the motion which passed unanimously.



# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Announcements were included in the Council packet.

# <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

With no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Mikkelson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Adam Geffert City Clerk