



**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
OCTOBER 7, 2019**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, October 7, 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: Chad Herring, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Ron Nelson, Tucker Poling, Andrew Wang, Sheila Myers, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ted Odell and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present: Tim Schwartzkopf, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; Melissa Prenger, Public Works; City Attorney David Waters, attorney with Lathrop & Gage; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Jamie Robichaud, Deputy City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Ashley Freburg, Public Information Officer/Deputy City Clerk; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda for October 7, 2019. Mrs. Schermoly seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

A student from Shawnee Mission North was in attendance as a requirement of her AP Government class.

PRESENTATIONS

Sarah VanLanduyt, Executive Director of the Arts Council of Johnson County, and members of the Prairie Village Arts Council were in attendance. Mayor Mikkelson read a proclamation declaring October 2019 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Prairie Village.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Dan Anderson, 3304 W. 71st Street, noted that the 13th annual State of the Arts reception would take place on Friday, October 11 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Mary English, 4402 W. 77th Terrace, spoke in favor of LEED certification for the Public Works facility project.



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 - September 16, 2019
2. Approval of Expenditure Ordinance #2982
3. Consider bid award for 2019 tree trimming program

Mr. Poling made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

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, Gallagher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Myers reported that the civic center survey agreement and draft survey would be presented to Council for approval at the October 21 meeting.

The Tree Board held its Fall Seminar on October 2. A presentation was given on the benefits of using native plants in landscaping. The Tree Board will also be planting 25 trees in the Prairie Fields subdivision on November 8 as part of the Heartland Tree Alliance program.

- Mr. Herring stated that the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting was rescheduled to Wednesday, October 16 at 5:30 p.m. The Wassmer Park dedication ceremony will be held on Saturday, October 26 at 2:00 p.m.
- Mr. Gallagher reported on the accomplishments of several former Teen Council members.
- Mr. Nelson shared that the new Teen Council orientation session would be held prior to the Council meeting on October 21.
- Chris Brewster, the city planning consultant with Gould Evans, stated that the Planning Commission unanimously approved a Special Use Permit at its September 10 meeting for the wireless telecommunication facility at 7700 Mission Road. The original permit held by Sprint was renewed in 2009 for a ten-year period, and is due for renewal in 2019. If approved, this Special Use Permit will be valid for another ten-year period.

Mr. Herring made a motion to approve Ordinance #2409, approving the renewal of a Special Use Permit for the wireless telecommunication facility at 7700 Mission Road. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson.



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, Gallagher.

MAYOR’S REPORT

Mayor Mikkelson reported the following:

- The Mayor, along with several councilmembers and staff, toured the Lenexa City Center to consider how other cities have addressed projects similar to the proposed civic center.
- A celebration was held at Highland Cemetery to recognize the donation of a water connection by WaterOne and HomeServe. Access to water will help caretakers maintain the cemetery.
- The Mayor met with leaders from the Climate Action Coalition and the Mid-America Regional Council to consider coordinated sustainability initiatives.
- The Mayor recapped several public meetings that had been held in previous weeks:
 - Updated zoning regulations
 - Skate park design
 - Coffee with Heart Strings
 - Sunflower House fundraiser
 - Northeast Johnson County Mayors Lunch with Everyg
 - Lunch with the CEO of Advent Health
 - Fundraiser for the Johnson County Library Foundation
- The second Chamber in the Chamber music series event was held on September 20.
- A renaming dedication ceremony was held to rename Prairie Park for former Mayor Ron Shaffer on September 28.
- Coffee with a Cop was held at Starbucks on October 2.
- The Mayor met with other Johnson County and Wyandotte County Mayors to discuss the dark store theory.
- The Mayor will meet with Johnson County officials to consider the construction of a new homeless shelter.
- An agreement was reached with First Washington for the donation of an easement at 71st and Mission Road for a public art installation.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Works

- Keith Bredehoeft stated that crews would begin paving Roe Avenue as part of a road reconstruction project later in the week.
 - The Somerset road closure should be reopened in the next two weeks.
 - Solar panels will not be installed in time for the dedication ceremony at Wassmer Park, but information about the panels will be shared with attendees.
 - Stormwater repairs and the installation of a sidewalk on Belinder Avenue between 73rd Street and 75th Street will begin in the spring.



- The Public Works Department is preparing equipment and training drivers for winter snowplowing.

Administration

- Wes Jordan shared that the October plan of action was included in the packet.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

COU2019-42

Consider approval of the renewal of the City's health, dental and vision insurance providers, as recommended by City staff

Amy Hunt stated that there would not be an increase in costs for medical, dental and vision insurance in the 2020 plan year, even though an anticipated 12.5% increase had been included in the budget. There will be minor increases in the long-term disability plan and life insurance.

Mr. Wang noted that the City's benefit package was generous, and asked if it was comparable to what is found in other cities. Mrs. Hunt stated that Human Resources Directors from several municipalities discuss rates throughout the year to ensure they are competitive.

Mr. Gallagher made a motion to approve the renewal of the City's employee benefit package for 2020 as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson, and passed unanimously.

COU2019-43

Consider revising Council Policy 217 - Arbor Day Honoree Nomination

Mrs. Myers, the Council liaison to the Tree Board, stated that the revisions to the policy would allow for the recognition of non-resident individuals or organizations that have had a positive impact on the City. Additionally, more than one nominee can now be recognized each year, and nominations from previous years may be considered for up to three years.

Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the revisions to Council Policy 217 as proposed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson, and passed unanimously.

COU2019-45

Consider professional services agreement with Clark Enersen Partners for the Public Works building schematic design

Mr. Bredehoeft said that since Council gave approval to proceed with the Public Works building project, staff met with building contractors, other cities and architectural firms to



discuss options for moving forward. He added that it is possible that construction could begin as early as spring 2020, noting that advantages to starting early included lower construction costs and bonding rates. An RFQ has been released for construction management services, and a vendor should be selected prior to the Council meeting on October 21. He added that Public Works had collaborated with Clark Enersen on projects in the past.

Mrs. Prenger stated that the agreement being considered at this meeting was only in relation to the schematic design portion of the project, though plans for other phases were included in the scope of services. Rick Wise, representing Clark Enersen Partners, provided examples of the company's experience working on LEED projects. He shared the LEED points-based system for accreditation, and noted that Clark Enersen was qualified to work on LEED Gold and Platinum projects.

Mr. Runion asked about the value of having a LEED certification, and whether the money allotted for it could be better spent in another way. Mr. Wise stated that LEED includes multiple elements, including energy use reduction, water use reduction and the creation of more sustainable sites. He added that life cycle costs would be analyzed to determine the return on investment to the City.

Mr. Odell asked if the cost of the schematic design process would include studying the various LEED certification options. Mr. Wise stated that both the design of the building as well as sustainability solutions would be considered during this phase of the project.

Mr. Odell made a motion to approve the professional services agreement with Clark Enersen Partners for the Public Works building schematic design in the amount of \$108,450.00. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Schermoly.

Ms. Nelson asked if the architect assigned to the project would be LEED certified. Mr. Wise stated that the lead architect is a LEED accredited professional, and that three additional architects at Clark Enersen are currently going through the certification process.

Mr. Poling stated that the Council had voted to move forward on the project with the goal of LEED Platinum certification at its previous meeting, but the contract as it is currently written does not state that. Mr. Bredehoeft said that all references to "gold certification" were meant to be removed, but some were missed.

Mr. Poling made a motion to amend the motion to edit page one of the Scope of Services, deleting the word "gold" under the General Project Information paragraph. On page 7 of the Scope of Services, adding the words "with a goal of platinum certification". Additionally, changing Article III of the Agreement to "Attached as Scope of Services". The motion to amend was seconded by Mr. Herring and passed 9-3, with Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Morehead and Mr. Runion in opposition.

Mrs. Myers asked where the funding was coming from to pay for the schematic design portion of the project. Mr. Bredehoeft stated that it would come from the city contingency



fund, but that bonds would be sold later in the year to finance the project. Mr. Wang asked whether an ROI report would be provided at the end of the schematic design project. Mr. Wise stated that this information will be included, and will show anticipated LEED scores and how much energy use is being reduced.

The amended motion passed unanimously.

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

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Glass recycling and food composting pilot program

Ms. Nelson stated that changes had been made to the pilot program proposal that had been presented at the September 3 meeting. Meredith McAllister, owner of Compost Collective KC, gave a presentation of a proposed curbside composting pilot program. The pilot would run for a six-month period, with 20 homes in each of the six wards. For weekly service, the cost per residence would be \$17 per month, along with an \$8 bucket deposit. Bi-weekly collection would total \$10 per month, per residence. Total costs for the program would be \$12,240 for weekly service, \$7,200 for bi-weekly service, and \$1,040 for the bucket deposit. Monthly reports would be provided to Council indicating usage rates, pounds of food diverted from landfills, and comments from customers. All customer service issues would be handled by Compost Collective KC.

Mrs. Morehead stated that more information was still need before a decision could be made. She moved to table the topic for a future meeting. There was no second to the motion.

Mr. Wang asked how the cost model was developed. Ms. McAllister stated that the proposed rate is discounted from the normal residential rate, which is \$30 per month for weekly service and \$20 per month for bi-weekly service. Mr. Wang stated that he was not in favor of the program, noting that it might be something for homeowners associations to consider.

Mr. Poling made a motion to direct staff to move forward with a six-month pilot program with Compost Collective KC to gather information relevant to the feasibility, interest and effectiveness of a potential permanent program. Ms. Nelson seconded.

Mayor Mikkelson suggested asking staff to vet the program through normal processes, and then come back to Council with recommendations and potential changes. He added that participants must be randomly selected to ensure that the feedback received is accurate.



The motion passed 9-3, with Mr. Wang, Mrs. Morehead and Mr. Runion in opposition.

Jamie Arnold, owner of Glass Bandit, presented a proposal with two options for a curbside glass recycling pilot program. Option #1 would allow residents to opt-in to the program, and would provide service every other trash day at a cost of \$3 per month, per residence, along with a \$7 deposit for a bin. Option #2 would allow each Councilmember the choice to opt-in their own neighborhood. The cost would be \$2 per month, per residence, plus a \$7 bin deposit. With either option, participation rates and usage rates would be reported monthly, as well as the amount of glass being recycled. Glass Bandit would be entirely responsible for customer service issues.

Mr. Odell made a motion to direct staff to move forward with a six-month pilot program with Glass Bandit to gather information relevant to the feasibility, interest and effectiveness of a potential permanent program, using option #2. The motion was seconded by Ms. Schermoly and passed 9-3, with Mr. Wang, Mrs. Morehead and Mr. Runion in opposition.

Village Voice redesign

Ashley Freburg stated that the Village Voice has been published in its present form for 10 years, and that there was interest in developing a new design. Currently, staff writes articles and takes photos, compiles this information in a Word document, and sends it to Boelte-Hall for graphic design, layout, printing and mailing services. Mrs. Freburg noted that she possessed graphic design experience, and provided two printed options for Councilmembers to consider. Bringing the design in-house would reduce expenses and provide more flexible deadlines. Boelte-Hall would still print and mail the newsletters. Mrs. Freburg added that she has the capacity to take on the additional work-time.

Ms. Nelson asked if the newsletters could be printed on recycled paper. Mrs. Freburg said she would verify that Boelte-Hall is using recycled paper, and what cost differences exist.

New Business

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

Mr. Nelson moved that the City Council end the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gallagher made a motion that the Council go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Herring and passed unanimously.



EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:40, The City Council recessed into Executive Session for a period not to exceed 30 minutes for consultation with the city attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship per K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), to discuss legal issues related to claims against the City. The Governing Body, City Administrator, Public Works Director and City Attorney were present.

No action was taken in the Executive Session, and the open meeting resumed at 10:10 in the Council Chambers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were included in the Council packet.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Mikkelson declared the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Adam Geffert
City Clerk