

CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE MAY 17, 2021

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, May 17, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Councilmembers attended a virtual meeting via the Zoom software platform. Mayor Mikkelson presided.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Councilmembers in attendance remotely via Zoom: Chad Herring, Jori Nelson, Inga Selders, Ron Nelson, Tucker Poling, Bonnie Limbird, Sheila Myers, Piper Reimer, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden, Ian Graves and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present via Zoom: Byron Roberson, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Public Works Director; Melissa Prenger, Public Works; City Attorney David Waters, attorney with Lathrop & Gage; Jamie Robichaud, Deputy City Administrator; Tim Schwartzkopf, Assistant City Administrator; Meghan Buum, Assistant City Administrator; Nickie Lee, Finance Director; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda for May 17, 2021. Ms. Reimer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

 Dr. Andy Bowne, President of Johnson County Community College, provided information about current activities at the college. He noted that approximately 425 Prairie Village residents were enrolled as students.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No requests to address the Council were received.

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 May 3, 2021
- 2. Approval of Expenditure Ordinance #3002



Mrs. McFadden 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, Selders, R. Nelson, Poling, Limbird, Myers, Reimer, Runion, McFadden, Graves, Gallagher. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ms. Limbird shared a reminder about the first annual Prairie Village Art Walk on June 11, which would include a ribbon cutting ceremony for the "Fifties Freedom in the Village" sculpture at 71st Street and Mission Road.
- Mr. Poling provided an update on the Parks and Recreation Committee, noting that members had recently taken a tour of inclusive playgrounds across the metropolitan area. Additionally, a tour of several Prairie Village parks took place the prior week.
- Ms. Selders stated that planning for the 2021 JazzFest event continued, with committee members researching performers and food and beverage vendors.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- The Mayor congratulated Prairie Village students that graduated in 2021.
- The Mayor stated that the Shawnee Mission East men's tennis team won the state championship for the second year in a row, and that the men's golf team was competing in the state finals.
- The Mayor provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic, noting that mask mandates in Johnson County had been eliminated based on CDC guidance. He added that schools and businesses could continue to set their own rules on mask wearing. In Johnson County, 53% of residents 16 and older had received at least one dose of the vaccine, and vaccines had recently been approved for children ages 12 to 15.
- The Mayor attended a Prairie Village Police Department event recognizing fallen officers at City Hall the prior week.
- The Mayor attended a virtual "KC Rising" event, at which coordinated economic development for the region was emphasized.
- The Mayor was elected Chair of the Johnson County/Wyandotte County Mayors Council for the upcoming year, beginning in September. David Waters was elected Vice-Chair.
- Work on the Johnson County Charter Commission continued. The commission would next meet on May 26.
- The Mayor stated that the U.S. Treasury Department issued guidance on funds from the American Rescue Plan the prior week. Fifty percent of the funds would be paid to states in May, and states would have 30 days to turn them over to cities. Funds could be used to address negative economic impacts caused by the pandemic.
- The Mayor noted that the week of May 16 22 was Public Works Week.
- The Mayor said that United Community Services of Johnson County would hold its annual Human Services Summit virtually on June 16.



 The Mayor reported that staff was working with Bird Scooters to bring motorized scooters to the City.

STAFF REPORTS

- Ms. Robichaud said that City staff would help register Councilmembers for the UCS Human Services Summit.
- Mr. Schwartzkopf provided updates on returning to in-person City Council meetings.
 He stated that 10 Councilmembers had indicated that they were ready to attend
 meetings in the Council Chambers. A hybrid option for remote participation would
 also be available.
- Ms. Buum gave an update on the upcoming pool season, noting that 60 lifeguards had been hired. The pool complex was scheduled to open on May 29.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to come before the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

COU2021-43

Consider design agreement with Affinis Corporation for the design of Nall Avenue, 79th Street to 83rd Street (2022 CARS)

Ms. Prenger stated that Public Works had requested proposals to provide engineering services for 2021 through 2023 in November 2020. Affinis Corporation was selected as the City's design consultant from the three firms interviewed.

She noted that the agreement being considered was for the preliminary design of the 2022 CARS project. The segment of Nall Avenue between 79th Street and 83rd Street did not conform to current City policy, as it only had a sidewalk on the west side of the street. The contract would focus on adding a sidewalk to the east side of the segment, and would include topographic surveys, public information meetings and conversations with residents on the east side of Nall Avenue.

Mr. Herring made a motion to approve the design agreement with Affinis Corporation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson.

Mrs. Myers asked what the timeframe would be to meet with neighbors. Ms. Prenger said that information letters would be sent out later in the week, and public meetings would be scheduled once the design plan was created.

With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.



COU2021-44 Consider construction contract for the 2021 residential street rehabilitation program

Ms. Prenger said that the proposed project would address several streets throughout the City, and include new curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and an asphalt mill and overlay. The project would be funded by the 2021 Residential Street Rehabilitation Program.

She added that City staff reviewed the bid proposal submitted by Superior Bowen for the program and confirmed that unit pricing was reasonable compared to bids from neighboring communities for similar projects. The contract total of \$2,910,000 included change order authorization up to \$200,000 from the unallocated street account for possible changes required to complete the project. The paving of State Line Road between 71st Street and 75th Street would be completed in partnership with Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. Herring asked when State Line Road between 75th Street and 79th Street would be repaired. Ms. Prenger said that staff were discussing the project with Kansas City, but no definitive date had been set.

Mr. Herring made a motion to approve the construction contract with Superior Bowen as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Graves, and passed unanimously.

COU2021-45 Consider approval of a contract with Amino Brothers Co., Inc. for the 2021 Street Repair Program

Ms. Prenger said that the project would consist of asphalt street repairs at various locations throughout the City where settlement or deterioration had occurred. City staff recommended awarding the project to Amino Brothers Co., Inc., for a total of \$300,000.

Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the construction contract with Amino Brothers Co., LLC as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson, and passed unanimously.

COU2021-46 Consider approval of Public Works furniture package

Ms. Prenger stated that four local vendors submitted proposals for furniture to be installed at the new Public Works facility. After review, staff recommended that Pure Workplace Solutions be awarded the furniture package. The contract totaled \$188,327.66, but also included change order authorization for up to an additional 10%, if needed.

Mr. Poling made a motion to approve the contract with Pure Workplace Solutions as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Reimer, and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Myers made a motion that the City Council move to the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Limbird and passed unanimously.



COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE 2022 Budget presentation

Ms. Lee gave a presentation on the proposed 2022 budget. She noted that the 2022 General Fund had increased by 5% relative to 2021, for a total of \$25,638,229. The amount included \$509,000 in decision package items approved by the Finance Committee, as well as a \$500,000 contingency. The planned employee merit pool increase for 2022 was recommended to be 3.5%, which fell in line with other area cities. A 10% anticipated increase in health insurance costs was also budgeted.

Mayor Mikkelson recommended that \$50,000 be allocated for public engagement and/or a feasibility study regarding a community center and related aquatic/exercise facility improvements. He also proposed lowering the City's mill levy by \$50,000 to reduce property taxes for all residents, noting that both could be paid for by increasing the Public Works staff's recommended budget for street repair by \$66,000 rather than \$166,000 proposed in this preliminary budget.

After further discussion, Mr. Poling made a motion to approve the preliminary budget recommended by the Finance Committee and send it to the City Council for final approval. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson.

Ms. Limbird made a motion to amend the motion to reallocate \$50,000 from the street repair decision package for a mill levy reduction. The motion was seconded by Mr. Graves. The motion to amend failed 10-2, with Ms. Limbird and Mr. Graves in support.

Mr. Graves made a motion to amend the motion to reallocate \$50,000 from the street repair decision package to a civic center feasibility study and/or public engagement program related to the civic center. The motion was seconded by Ms. Limbird and failed 9-3, with Ms. Selders, Ms. Limbird and Mr. Graves in support.

A vote on Mr. Poling's original motion passed 11-1, with Mr. Runion in opposition.

Mr. Herring moved that the City Council end the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson and passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were included in the Council meeting packet.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nelson, and passed unanimously.



Mayor Mikkelson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Adam Geffert City Clerk