

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE**

March 20, 2017

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, March 20, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Laura Wassmer called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Ashley Weaver, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Steve Noll, 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; Katie Logan, City Attorney; Quinn Bennion, City Administrator; Wes Jordan, Assistant City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk. Also present was teen council member Zoe Nason.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

No students or scouts were in attendance.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one was present to address the City Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ted Odell moved the approval of the Consent Agenda items for March 20, 2017:

1. Approval of the regular City Council meeting minutes - March 6, 2017

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting “aye”: Weaver, Nelson, Schermoly, Noll, Myers, Morehead, Runion, McFadden, Odell and Gallagher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Committee of the Whole

COU2017-15 Consider approval of purchase of LED Streetlight Heads

Steve Noll moved the City Council approve the purchase of LED Streetlight Heads from Phillips Lighting. The motion was seconded by Sheila Myers and passed with Ted Odell abstaining due to a potential conflict of interest.

COU2017-16 Consider approval of agreement with Affinis Corporation for the Design of the 2017 Drainage Program

Brooke Morehead moved the City Council approve the Design Agreement with Affinis Corporation for the design of the 2017 Drainage Program in the amount of \$61,067. The motion was seconded by Sheila Myers and passed unanimously.

COU2017-17 Consider approval of contract with McAnany Construction for the 2017 UBAS Program

Sheila Myers moved the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Construction Contract with McAnany Construction in the amount of \$395,000 for the 2017 UBAS Program. The motion was seconded by Brooke Morehead and passed unanimously.

COU2017-18 Consider approval of contract with Phoenix Concrete and Underground LLC for the 2017 Concrete Repair Program

Brooke Morehead moved the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Construction Contract with Phoenix Concrete and Underground LLC for the 2017 Concrete Repair Program in the amount of \$695,000. The motion was seconded by Steve Noll and passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wassmer reported that the city was again recognized as a Tree City USA. This is the 20th year receiving this designation. Mayor Wassmer also reported that Prairie Village was recognized as the 75th best city for building wealth by a national survey. She reported that the Committee on committees would be meeting soon to consider among other things changing committee appointments to align with the new election period.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- Chief Schwartzkopf announced the next “Coffee with a Cop” will be held on Friday, March 31st at Panera from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Public Works

- Keith Bredehoeft reported that field crews are working throughout the city with spring preparations under the direction of their new crew leader Dan Ogle.
- The Meadowbrook project continues to be progressing well with work on Roe.
- Staff is reviewing the possible submittal of a park grant application for North Park. Sheila Myers asked the amount of the grant. Mr. Bredehoeft replied no specific amount has been designated.

Administration

- Lisa Santa Maria noted that the auditors will be on site the last week of March.
- She will be e-mailing the Council the 2016 4th Quarter Financial Report.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of draft amendments to Chapter XV - Utilities Article 1-3

Mayor Wassmer announced this discussion is a continuation from the earlier Council Committee of the Whole meeting relative to potential changes to the solid waste ordinances on the screening of commercial recycle and donation containers.

Dan Runion moved the City Council direct staff to include screening requirements for commercial recyclable containers, including Ripple Glass containers and excluding temporary construction pods. The motion was seconded by Terrence Gallagher.

Serena Schermoly cautioned the Council to consider the impact of such regulations particularly as they relate to the Ripple Glass Recycling program. Mr. Jordan stated that he felt the screening requirement would result in a reduction in participation in recycling programs in the city.

Mayor Wassmer called for a vote. The motion failed by a vote of 0 to 10.

Mayor Wassmer noted that the screening of residential containers would be discussed at the March 20th Council Committee of the Whole meeting. However, she asked Assistant City Administrator Wes Jordan to give his presentation so Council members could consider the information over the next two weeks. Mr. Jordan presented several photographs of complying and non-complying screening of residential solid waste containers. Mr. Jordan reported that the residential screening requirement has been challenging to enforce with numerous violations identified throughout the city. During city-wide code violation sweeps, code enforcement officers issued the following violation notices for failure to screen:

- Homes north of West 75 Street: 957 initial violations with 892 now corrected.
- Homes south of West 75 Street: 398 initial violations with 256 now corrected.

He stated that only warning letters have been sent. No violations have been cited in Court. The question before the Council is whether or not to require screening in the code revisions and if so, does staff begin issuing citations.

Serena Schermoly asked what time frame was covered in the code enforcement sweep. Mr. Jordan replied the previous 12 months. Sheila Myers asked how individuals with disabilities would be handled.

Mayor Wassmer stated she appreciated seeing the photographs and asked if it would be possible to share compliance photographs with residents to assist them in coming into compliance.

Jori Nelson stated many of the city's residents are seniors or on fixed incomes and she does not want to require them to spend their limited dollars on screening. She also questioned if such sweeps were an effective use of Code Enforcement Officers time noting this had to take significant time to complete. She asked if the screening had to block the view when looking directly at the property or from anywhere on the sidewalk/street.

Serena Schermoly stated there are a significant number of residents on both sides of this screening issue. Brooke Morehead noted there are those who are unable to screen due to financial or topographical restraints and those that are simply failing to comply. Mr. Jordan replied the discussion will be continued at the next committee meeting and asked Council members to e-mail him with any questions or concerns on this issue.

Teen Council Summit

Serena Schermoly announced that the Teen Council Summit would be held on Saturday, March 25th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Olathe City Hall and noted that Council members are welcome to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

NLC Report

Ted Odell stated that he and Serena Schermoly along with Quinn Bennion attended the recent NLC Conference in Washington, D.C. In addition to being able to

meet with representatives the following issues were discussed: CDBG funding, tax-exempt status for Municipal bonds, remote sales tax, mortgage interest deductions and 5G networks. The conference was very beneficial.

Mr. Odell also noted the recent issue of the Kansas Government Journal provided a listing of tax rates in Kansas and noted that once again Prairie Village was the second lowest First Class City to Overland Park and had the third lowest tax rate overall.

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks:

JazzFest Committee	03/21/2017	5:30 p.m.
Environment/Recycle Committee	03/22/2017	5:30 p.m.
VillageFest Committee	03/23/2017	5:30 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole	04/03/2017	6:00 p.m.
City Council	04/03/2017	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to feature a mixed media exhibit of the art work of EunKyung Jeong, Chris Kim & PJ Mills in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of March.

Mark your calendars for the 2017 State of the County address on Tuesday, March 28th. Let Meghan know if you will be attending.

Recreation memberships will go on sale Monday, April 1st

The 2017 annual Large Item Pick up has been scheduled for Saturday April 22nd for homes on 75th Street and north of 75th street; homes south of 75th Street will be collected on Saturday, April 29th.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk