

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE**

January 2, 2018

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas.

ROLL CALL

Acting Mayor Jori Nelson called the meeting to order and roll call was taken with the following Council members present: Chad Herring, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Steve Noll, Eric Mikkelson, Sheila Myers, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion and Terrence Gallagher.

Staff present: Tim Schwartzkopf, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Public Works Director; David Waters representing the City Attorney; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Jamie Robichaud, Assistant City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Alley Porter, Assistant to the City Administrator; Dan Hanover, Management Intern and Joyce Hagen Mundy, City Clerk. Also in attendance were two teen Council members Jack Mikkelson and Carly Hendrickson

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

Acting Mayor Jori Nelson welcomed a boy scout in attendance for his "Citizenship and the Community" Badge.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Angela Schieferecke, 4508 Tomahawk Road, addressed the Council with her concerns on the impact of teardown/rebuilds in Prairie Village. She would like to see the City survey residents regarding the increasing number of these in the city and their impact. She stated that her appraised assessments have increased significantly over the past years and attributed the new higher value homes being constructed in her neighborhood. She also experienced flooding last summer from excessive runoff and suspected the cause was from the property adjacent to hers that has a higher elevation and a new home with larger footprint and more impervious surface. She would like to see a moratorium be put in place on the construction of teardown/rebuilds until a study could be conducted on their impact.

Brooke Morehead confirmed that Public Works was aware of her situation and working with her to address the cause of the flooding issues. Serena Schermoly apologized for not responding to her letter adding that she and Mr. Noll had only received her letter that evening. Eric Mikkelson said the City would be conducting a resident survey this spring and noted that question may be addressed in the survey.

Jerry Stogsdill, 4414 Tomahawk Road, addressed the Council as a long time Prairie Village resident and as a state legislative representative for this area. He commended the City Council and staff for their leadership and excellent services provided to Prairie Village residents. Representative Stogsdill stated the Legislative Platform approved earlier was in line with his, noting that he is a strong supporter of local government control and strong schools. He hoped the new legislative session would expand Medicaid and address gun violence and encouraged council members to contact him with any concerns.

With no one else to address the City Council, public participation was closed at 7:42 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chad Herring moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda for Tuesday, January 2, 2018 as presented:

1. Approve the regular City Council meeting minutes - December 18, 2017
2. Approve amendment to City Council Policy CP509 entitled "Swimming Pool Schedule" to reflect a pool closing time of 8:00 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken with the following members voting "aye": Herring, Nelson, Schermoly, Noll, Mikkelson, Myers, Morehead, Runion and Gallagher.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Council Committee of the Whole

COU2018-01 Consider Adoption of the 2018 Prairie Village Legislative Platform

Chad Herring moved the City Council adopt the 2018 Prairie Village Legislative Platform as amended. The motion was seconded by Eric Mikkelson and passed unanimously.

PC2017-02 Consider approval of an amendment to the Special Use Permit for the operation of the private school at 7801 West 79th Street to Kansas City Christian School

Kelly VanElders, 11710 West 102nd Place, representing Kansas City Christian School explained that projected costs for the planned expansion of the school that was approved by the City Council last October were significantly above their budget and required a redesign of the project.

The plans were redesigned with the second story being moved to the back and behind the gymnasium of the building. This new location provides a shorter corridor and is more accessible to the second floor. It actually decreases the size of the addition

while still providing for the separation of elementary, middle school and high school students.

The new plans do not change the footprint of the building nor decrease available parking spaces. Mr. VanElders presented the revised drawings of the proposed building.

The new plan reverses the slope of the roof, creating a better transition from the gym to the rest of the building. Decorative features have been added around the gym. The design intent remained the same - that being to blend with the existing architectural features of the neighborhood. The new plans provide additional aesthetic improvements.

Chad Herring confirmed that the new plan with less square footage still met the needs of the school. Mr. VanElders responded the new plan provides for the same number of classrooms as approved by the City in October.

Dan Runion confirmed that there was no change in the amount of impervious surface increasing water runoff.

Terrence Gallagher noted there was a significant increase in mass reflected on the east elevation with the addition of the second floor and asked if the neighboring residents had an opportunity to have input. Mr. VanElders replied that mailings were sent to all residents within 200 feet notifying them of the changes and the public hearing before the Planning Commission. The neighborhood meeting held to present the new plans received positive responses from the 12 residents in attendance.

Eric Mikkelson moved the Governing Body adopt Ordinance 2374, approving an amendment to the Special Use Permit for the operation of a private school by Kansas City Christian School Society, Inc. on the property described as follows: 4801 West 79th Street, subject to the nine conditions recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Sheila Myers.

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

MAYOR’S REPORT

Acting Mayor Jori Nelson announced that the Arts Council is hosting a photography competition during the month of January in the R. G. Endres Gallery with the reception on Friday, January 12th. She encouraged Council members to mark their calendars for the 2018 Convener Reception for the Johnson County Legislative delegation on January 4th, the State of the Cities address on January 18th and City Government Day in Topeka on January 24th. She noted that City offices will be closed on Monday, January 16th in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, but Republic would not be observing the holiday and trash services would not be delayed that week.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- Chief Schwartzkopf reported that the Senior IT Specialist has submitted his resignation. The position has been posted and applications are being accepted.

Public Works

- Keith Bredehoeft reported Christmas tree drop-off spots are located at Porter, Franklin and Taliaferro parks until January 21st. The trees will be chipped on site with the mulch remaining for residents to use.
- Mr. Bredehoeft reported on the two small snow events over the past weeks and commended the public works crews for their work, particularly coming in on Christmas Eve.

Administration

- Lisa Santa Maria noted the budget process would be discussed at the council work session and asked council members to send her comments on one thing they liked about the current process and one thing they disliked and what can be done to help new council members become part of the process.

- Alley Porter reported the live streaming is working on the website; however, there are problems with the Facebook and YouTube broadcasts that staff needs to address.
- Jamie Robichaud provided an update on solid waste services noting that the cold weather caused equipment breakdowns for the provider impacting trash services. The City received several calls regarding trash not being picked up. Staff has been in regular contact with Republic. Crews worked both Saturday and Sunday and are back on schedule.
- Wes Jordan reported that due to the Mayor's absence formal recognition of outgoing council members will occur at the January 16th meeting. He acknowledged Steve Noll's 25 years of service to the city and his ongoing support of staff. Mr. Jordan thanked both Mr. Noll and Mr. Mikkelson for their many contributions to the City.
- Mr. Jordan reported the Assistant City Attorney will be presenting information on the city's efforts to renew contracts with the three telecommunication carriers on the city's cell tower. Mr. Jordan provided background on the 25 year old tower. It is the city's desire to have the same agreement with each carrier and briefly reviewed some of the changes being proposed in the new agreement and why.
- Re-elected and newly elected Council members were reminded to come to City Hall on Monday, January 8th to receive the oath of office from the City Clerk. He noted a more formal recognition is being planned for January 16th.

OLD BUSINESS

Serena Schermoly thanked the Police Department and IT staff for their work in setting up the live-streaming capabilities and noted the current meeting has had over 1000 views, five comments and three shares this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business to come before the City Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Committee meetings scheduled for the next two weeks include:

JazzFest Committee	01/09/2018	5:30 p.m.
Planning Commission	01/09/2018	7:00 p.m.
Prairie Village Arts Council	01/10/2018	5:30 p.m.
Environment/Recycle Education Subcommittee	01/11/2018	5:30 p.m.
Council Committee of the Whole (Tuesday)	01/16/2018	6:00 p.m.
City Council (Tuesday)	01/16/2018	7:30 p.m.

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The Prairie Village Arts Council is pleased to feature a photography competition/exhibit in the R.G. Endres Gallery during the month of January. The artist reception will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, January 12, 2018.

Mark your calendar for the 2018 Convener Reception for the Johnson County Legislative Delegation on Thursday, January 4th from 5 to 7 pm at Johnson County Community College.

City offices will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Republic does not observe the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. Trash services **will not** be delayed.

Mark your calendar for the 2018 State of the Cities Address hosted by the Northeast Johnson County Chamber on Wednesday, January 18th.

Mark your calendar for the 2018 City Government Day in Topeka on Wednesday, January 24th.

ADJOURNMENT

Brooke Morehead moved that the City Council meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Sheila Myers and passed unanimously. With no further business to come before the City Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Joyce Hagen Mundy
City Clerk