

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, July 11, 2017

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Kincaid called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Kate Beaton, Catherine Emmanuelle, Kerry Kincaid, Kathy Mitchell, David Strobel, Tim Tewalt, Bob Von Haden, Terry Weld, and Andrew Werthmann. Absent: Council Members David Klinkhammer and Michael Xiong.

PUBLIC HEARING - ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS

The Council held a Public Hearing on a Charter Ordinance relating to the City Council Aldermanic Districts to add newly created wards to the appropriate aldermanic district. No one from the public spoke.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, July 11, 2017:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the June 27, 2017 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2017-2019 licensing period.
- Granting a Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Class C Wine license to Forage EC, LLC, d/b/a Forage EC, 930 Galloway Street, Bldg 13, Suites 212 & 214, Kristen Dexter, agent.
- Granting a temporary expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage licensed premise of Hanger 54 Grill, LLC, d/b/a Hanger 54 Grill, 3800 Starr Avenue, for a Business After Hours, Chamber Event, to be held on August 3, 2017.
- Granting a temporary expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage licensed premise of Wigwam Tavern LLC, d/b/a Wigwam Tavern, 314 E. Madison Street, to include a fenced in area for a Wam-Fest 2017, to be held on August 11 & 12, 2017.
- Granting Change of Agent for the Class A Intoxicating Liquor (Cider only) & Class A Fermented Malt Beverage license of Cenergy, LLC, d/b/a Mega Holiday #3713, 3702 Gateway Drive, from Timothy W. Griner to Dylan Langness.
- Authorizing the City Clerk to publish a notice of public hearing regarding the vacation of Old Town Hall Road, from Lorch Avenue to the southerly I-94 right-of-way.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Beaton "to adopt the consent resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Klinkhammer arrived in the Council Chamber.

LICENSING

The Council considered a resolution granting a Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage and a Class B Cabaret license to ZMaxine Inc., d/b/a The District, 101 Graham Avenue, David Zempel, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Tewalt and seconded by Council Member Weld “to adopt the resolution”. Council Members discussed the name of the proposed business, ‘The District’, which will be located at 101 Graham Avenue and the name of an existing business, ‘The District Company’, located at 315 Graham Avenue. Council heard from the owners of both businesses. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Weld “to postpone consideration of the resolution for two weeks to allow the business owners additional time to attempt to resolve the issue”. Said motion to postpone failed on a tie vote: Aye: Council Members Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Strobel, Weld and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members Beaton, Klinkhammer, Mitchell, Tewalt, and Von Haden. Council discussion continued. Council then voted on the original motion to adopt the resolution and grant the license. Said resolution was adopted on the following vote: Aye: Council Members Beaton, Klinkhammer, Mitchell, Strobel, Tewalt, Von Haden and Weld. Nay: Council Members Emmanuelle, Kincaid and Werthmann.

SPECIAL EVENT – SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the Eau Claire Sports Commission to conduct the USA Softball Northern Nationals Opening Reception & Tournament on August 2 – 6, 2017 in Carson Park and Jeffers Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

AGREEMENTS

The Council considered a resolution authorizing the Memo of Understanding between the City and the Eau Claire Skateboarder Association in regards to an installation of a skate plaza at Boyd Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered a resolution approving the Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement between the City and the Town of Washington for 2017 London Road construction costs. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered a resolution approving professional services proposal from Design Studios etc to begin final design of Haymarket Plaza and construction bid documents. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Tewalt “to adopt the resolution”. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Tewalt and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to have the contractor work with Visit Eau Claire to include an Eau Claire branding feature in the design”. Said motion failed on the following vote: Aye: Council Members Beaton, Emmanuelle, Tewalt and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members Kincaid, Klinkhammer,

Mitchell, Strobel, Von Haden, and Weld. The Council then voted on the original motion to adopt the resolution. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The City Council considered a resolution approving the 2018 - 2022 Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to postpone consideration of the resolution for two weeks to allow for public input at the July 24 meeting and action on July 25”. Said motion to postpone passed by unanimous vote.

VOTING WARDS

The Council considered a resolution creating new election wards within the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Weld and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS AND VOTING WARDS

The City Council considered a Charter Ordinance relating to the City Council and the Aldermanic Districts of the City to add newly created voting wards to the appropriate aldermanic districts. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the ordinance”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on three zoning ordinances:

- property at 1302 115th Street from I-2 to R-1A as shown on Planning File Z-1602-17.
- property located at the southeast corner of I-94 and Hwy. 93 from TR-1A to C-3P and adopting the General Development Plan for commercial development as shown on Planning File Z-1603-17.
- property located on the north side of Stonewood Drive, east of Mill Run Road from C-2P to R-3P adopting a General Development Plan for a memory care and assisted living facility and approving a CBRF with capacity for 60 persons with an exception to the 2,500’ requirement as shown on Planning File Z-1604-17 and CBRF-1-17.

CLOSED SESSION

Council President Kincaid announced that upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Council may go into closed session to discuss bargaining parameters for upcoming negotiations with City employee groups which is permitted in closed session for competitive and bargaining reasons pursuant to s. 19.85 (1)(e), of the Wisconsin Statutes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Beaton to “convene into closed session”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

After a brief recess, the Council convened into closed session.

The Council discussed bargaining parameters for upcoming negotiations with City employee groups. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to come out of Closed Session”. Said motion passed by unanimous consent.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Tewart “that this meeting does now adjourn without objection.” Said motion passed by unanimous consent.

Adjournment: July 11, 2017

Time: 7:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

/s/ Donna A. Austad, City Clerk