

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council Vice President Werthamann called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Catherine Emmanuelle, Jeremy Gragert, David Strobel, Terry Weld, Andrew Werthmann and Michael Xiong.

City Manager Peters announced that Council President Kerry Kincaid resigned her elected position effective immediately on June 12, 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for items of routine business on Tuesday, June 12, 2018. Council Member Emmanuelle requested that agenda item #18, Low-Income Transit Fares, be removed from the Consent Agenda and be considered separately. No objections were voiced. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the consent resolution” for the following items:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the May 22, 2018 Council Legislative Session.
- Authorizing the RCU Foundation, Inc. to conduct the Rock the Riverfront - RCU Charity Classic on Saturday, June 23, 2018, at Phoenix Park and along city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing L.E. Phillips Senior Center to conduct the 19th Annual Water Street Mile and 5K on Saturday, July 14, 2018, along Water Street, city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the U.S. National Kubb Championship to conduct the U.S. National Kubb Championship Tournament on July 12-15, 2018 at the Eau Claire Soccer Park.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2018-2020 licensing period.
- Approving a temporary expansion of the Reserve Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage and Cabaret B licensed premise of Bear Creek Grille Inc., d/b/a Grizzly’s Wood Fired Grill & Steaks, 4890 Golf Road, for a Crawfish Boil event.
- Granting the renewal of the following licenses for the 2018-2019 licensing period:
 - Combination “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage licenses.
 - Reserve Combination “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage licenses.
 - Class “B” Fermented Malt Beverage licenses.
 - Combination “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage licenses.
 - Class “A” Fermented Malt Beverage licenses.
 - “Class A” Liquor (Cider Only) licenses.
 - “Class C” Wine licenses.

- Class A Cabaret licenses.
 - Class B Cabaret licenses.
 - Granting Change of Agent for the Combination “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license of Eau Claire Fire House, LLC, d/b/a The Fire House, 202 Gibson Street, from Jessica Meyers to Rebecca Glass.
 - Granting Change of Agent for the Combination “Class B” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license of The Matchbox, LLC, d/b/a The Alibi, 2112 Esmond Road, from Randall J. Lahr to Stacy M. Jensen.
 - Granting Change of Agent for the Combination “Class A” Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage license of Target Corporation, d/b/a Target Store, 3649 S. Hastings Way, from Erin K. Miller to Jennifer Goldbach.
 - Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2018-16, CW Street & Utility Reconstruction.
 - Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2018-18, CW Milling & Asphalt Paving.
 - Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2018-19, CW Street & Utility Reconstruction.
 - Authorizing the City of Eau Claire to apply for the Public Service Commission’s Energy Innovation Grant to Undertake Energy Planning Activities.
- Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

Vice President Werthmann read a proclamation expressing pride and congratulations to the Eau Claire City-County Health Department staff in earning National Public Health Accreditation, and further expressing appreciation for bringing to our community this commitment to the highest level of service.

Vice President Werthmann read a proclamation proclaiming June 19, 2018 as Juneteenth Day in the City of Eau Claire and encouraging all residents to join in recognizing this day of unity, freedom, and opportunity to honor the diversity of all racial and ethnic groups in our community.

LOW-INCOME TRANSIT FARES

The City Council considered a resolution for introduction amending the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses by establishing low-income transit fares.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to suspend the rules which interfere with the immediate consideration of said ordinances.”

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.”

Discussion was held. Council Member Emmanuelle, with approval of Council Member Christopherson, withdrew the “motion to suspend the rules.”

A vote was then taken to “adopt the resolution for introduction only.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Volume One to conduct Food Truck Fridays on the first Friday of each month in July, August, September and October, 2018, in the parking lot referred to as Railroad Street Parking Lot in downtown Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Weld “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Longform, LLC, d/b/a The Oxbow Hotel, to conduct the 2018 Oxbeaux Street Concert on Thursday, July 5, on Galloway Street, and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a 3-year agreement for the event. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Xiong “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

LICENSES

The City Council considered a resolution approving a permanent expansion of the Class B Intoxicating Liquor & Fermented Malt Beverage licensed premise of Ivory Piano Bar, Inc., d/b/a Ivory Piano Bar, 2526 Golf Road, for an outdoor patio in rear of building. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing appropriation adjustments in the 2018 Hobbs Capital Budget. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

TRILLIUM ESTATES PHASE II

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final plat for Trillium Estates Phase II located on the north side of CTH "II", east of Highway 93, in the Town of Washington (File P-6-18). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

19th STREET ADDITION

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final plat for 19th Street Addition located on 19th Street, north of Cameron Street (File P-2-18). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Weld and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Development Agreement with Holzinger Homes, LLC for street and utility improvements within the Plat of 19th Street Addition. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ANNUAL REPORT

The City Council considered a resolution indicating receipt and review of the 2017 Compliance Maintenance Annual Report (CMAR) for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and Collection System. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ETHICS & CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

The City Council considered a resolution requesting the City Manager to initiate the creation of an Ethics and Code of Conduct Policy for the Eau Claire City Council. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PEOPLE-FIRST

The City Council considered a resolution using people-first language in official City of Eau Claire oral and written communications, documents, and publications. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

K-12 TRANSIT FARES

The City Council considered a resolution requesting the City Manager to study the feasibility of providing zero-fare bus rides for K-12 students. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Beaton, Berge, Christopherson, Emmanuelle, Gragert, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Members Strobel and Weld.

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance in accordance with Section 66.0217 Wisconsin Statutes, annexing to the City of Eau Claire and particularly to the 11th Assessment Ward, 1st Aldermanic District, being a part of the Northwest ¼ of the Northwest ¼ of Section 11-27-9, Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 18-1A (Kruit Petition).

COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to postpone” agenda item #31, Council discussion on building relations between staff and Council, to the July 24, 2018 Council meeting. Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Werthmann announced that upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Council may go into closed session to discuss the potential sale of the Eau Claire Indoor Sports Center which is permitted in closed session for competitive or bargaining reasons pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(e), of the Wisconsin Statutes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle to “convene into closed session.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

The Council discussed the potential sale of the Eau Claire Indoor Sports Center. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to come out of Closed Session”. Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

WORK SESSION

After a brief recess the Council convened in the North Conference Room for a Work Session to discuss the 2019-2023 Capital Improvement Plan.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Adjournment: June 12, 2018

Time: 8:55 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Andrew F. Werthmann, Vice President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl, City Clerk