

## **MINUTES**

### **EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING**

**Tuesday, August 11, 2020**

**City Council Chamber**

**4:00 p.m.**

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL**

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present in-person: Jill Christopherson, John Lor and Terry Weld. The following Council Members were present remotely: Emily Anderson, Kate Beaton, Emily Berge, Catherine Emmanuelle, Jeremy Gragert, David Klinkhammer, Andrew Werthmann and Mai Xiong.

#### **UPDATE**

Update by City Manager Peters during a City Declaration of Emergency regarding COVID-19.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, August 11, 2020:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the July 28, 2020 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2020-2022 licensing period.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license and Temporary Class B Wine license to Downtown Eau Claire Inc., Zan Degen, President, on August 19, 2020, for the Grand Evening on the Bridge at the Phoenix Park Pavilion.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Police Department to apply for an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) formula program funds from the US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the consent resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **BONDS**

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$305,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction and improvement of the City’s storm water sewers. 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.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$995,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction, improvement, repair and replacement of fire stations, trucks and equipment. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$3,105,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction and improvement of streets and street improvements (including lighting, signage, curbs and gutters). 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.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$425,000 (\$285,000 Tax-Exempt + \$140,000 Taxable) aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction and improvement of parks and public grounds. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$7,615,000 (\$3,065,000 Tax-Exempt + \$4,550,000 Taxable) aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of providing financial assistance to blight elimination, slum clearance, community development, redevelopment and urban renewal programs and projects in the City. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$3,275,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding municipal obligations of the City. 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.

The City Council considered an initial resolution authorizing not to exceed \$2,105,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Promissory Notes of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, for the purpose of financing the acquisition, construction and improvement of improvements to public lands and buildings, including City Hall, streets and street improvements, and bus transportation and bus shelters. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **NEW VOTING WARDS**

The City Council considered a resolution creating new voting wards within the City of Eau Claire. 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.

## **MEETING CANCELLATION**

The City Council considered a resolution cancelling the City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, September 7, 2020. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **ZONING**

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning a property located to the northwest of Oxford Avenue and Cameron Street and to amend the general development plan for Phase II for an apartment building with a reduced setback for a project known as ‘The Current’, formerly the Cannery Trail Residences (File Z-1639-19 Amd). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located at 100 North Farwell Street (Railroad Lot) from P-Public to CBDP and to adopt the general development plan with a site plan for a mixed-use building (Z-1674-20). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Xiong “to adopt the ordinance.” Thereupon a motion “to amend” the general development plan was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Werthmann by adding the following conditions to the list of conditions outlined in the draft letter dated August 3, 2020 to be shown/satisfied on a revised site plan prior to it being approved:

3. Show continued attempts to reach an agreement with the property owner and tenants to the north to reasonably accommodate patio spaces with direct access to the rear of properties at 409 Galloway St and 411 Galloway St., while providing at least 28 spaces in the surface parking lot.
4. Include multiple trees within the landscaping planned for north of the parking lot, if feasible.
5. Include a sidewalk connection to North Barstow St from rear of properties at 409 Galloway St and 411 Galloway St.

Said motion to amend passed by unanimous vote.

A vote was then taken “to adopt the ordinance” with amended general development plan. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

## **ANNEXATIONS**

The Council considered an ordinance annexing land to the City of Eau Claire located at 2040 Preston Road, Town of Union, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 20-5A (Schunk Annexation). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance annexing land to the City of Eau Claire located at Lot 1, Block 3 of Golfview Addition, Harless Road, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 20-6A (Holzinger Annexation). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS**

The Council considered a charter ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **CLEAN INDOOR AIR**

The Council considered an ordinance amending Chapter 9.38 entitled “Smoking” and other various ordinances of the City of Eau Claire as it relates to vaping and the use of electronic smoking devices. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **ZONING**

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located at the southwest corner of Old Town Hall Road and Graff Road from TR-1A to R-2P & R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for duplexes, twin homes and a multi-family residential (Z-1673-20).

### **KEEPING OF POULTRY**

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Chapter 6.15 entitled “Keeping of Poultry” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: August 11, 2020

Time: 5:49 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld  
Council President

/s/ Nicholas L. Koerner  
Deputy City Clerk