

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, August 12, 2014

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 David Duax, Catherine Emmanuelle, Kerry Kincaid, David Klinkhammer, Monica Lewis, Kathy Mitchell, David Strobel, Bob Von Haden, Andrew Werthmann, and Michael Xiong. Absent: Council Member Eric Larsen.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, August 12, 2014:

- Approving Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 22, 2014.
- Granting new bartender licenses and renewing bartender licenses for the 2014-2016 licensing period.
- Authorizing Festival in the Pines, Inc. to conduct Festival in the Pines on August 23-24, 2014 at Carson Park.
- Authorizing the Greater West Central Area Labor Council to conduct the Labor Day Picnic on September 1, 2014 in Phoenix Park.
- Authorizing the Alzheimer's Association to conduct the Walk to End Alzheimer's on September 13, 2014 in Carson Park and on city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to conduct the Eau Claire / Chippewa Valley Out of Darkness Walk on September 20, 2014 in Carson Park and on city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the Eau Claire Children's Theatre to conduct the Color Dash 5K on September 28, 2014 in Carson Park and on city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the Meadowview Elementary School / ECASD to conduct the Meadowview Mile on September 30, 2014 in Fairfax Park and on city trails and sidewalks.
- Authorizing the American Cancer Society to conduct the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of Eau Claire on October 18, 2014 beginning at the State Street Theatre and on city streets, trails and sidewalks.
- Receiving a petition for improvements to the alley south of Madison Street, from N. Barstow Street to N. Farwell Street.
- Authorizing the City Clerk to publish a notice of public hearing regarding the vacation of Heimstead Road, from Warden Street to 446.74 feet west.
- Accepting the Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives recommendations for Priority Partnership Opportunities for 2014-2016.
- Referring the Gumz Annexation Petition, 3123 Pine Lodge Road to the Plan Commission for study and report.
- Authorizing the City Planning Division to apply for a State Energy Office Grant implementing clean energy investments.

- Approving the bids and proposals for:
 - a. Procurement No. 2014-41 - RFP Compensation Study.
 - b. Procurement No. 2014-53 - City Wide Street Sealcoat Program.
 - c. Procurement No. 2014-55 - Purchase of Street Light and Traffic Signal Poles.
 - d. Procurement No. 2014-57 - Gateway Business Park.

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

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS & NOTES

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$4,720,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2014A, of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, providing details, prescribing the form of bond, awarding the bonds to the best bidder, and levying taxes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Duax and seconded by Council Member Xiong “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the issuance of \$4,155,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Corporate Promissory Notes, Series 2014B, of the City of Eau Claire, Eau Claire and Chippewa Counties, Wisconsin, providing details, prescribing the form of bond, awarding the bonds to the best bidder, and levying taxes. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Strobel and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered a resolution authorizing appropriation to fund the redemption and prepayment of the 2001 and 2003 water utility revenue refunding bonds. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Larsen arrived at the Council Meeting.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing Downtown Eau Claire, Inc. to conduct A Grand Evening on the Bridge on August 27, 2014 on the Historic Grand Avenue Bridge beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Lewis “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered a resolution authorizing UW - EC to conduct the Neighborhood Grill ‘n Chill on September 12, 2014 in Owen Park beginning at 4:00 p.m. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Duax “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered a resolution authorizing the Eau Claire County UW-Extension and the Forest Street Community Gardens to conduct the Chippewa Valley Sustainable Future Festival

on September 13, 2014 at the Forest Street Community Gardens. Council Member Emmanuelle recused herself from the vote on the resolution and left the council dais. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote. Council Member Emmanuelle returned to her seat.

The Council considered a resolution authorizing the UWEC American Red Cross Club to conduct the Run Red 5K on October 11, 2014 in Carson Park and on city trails and sidewalks. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Mitchell “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SALE OF CITY PROPERTY

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the sale of the Silver Mine Ski Hill to the Eau Claire Ski Club. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council Member Von Haden “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

The Council considered a resolution authorizing the acquisition of property at the intersection of Cameron Street and Interstate 94. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Duax, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Member Lewis.

HIGH BRIDGE PROJECT

The City Council considered a resolution approving Procurement No. 2014-52, Rehabilitation of Deck and Pedestrian / Bike Railing on Chippewa River High Bridge. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Strobel “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Council considered a resolution amending Final Resolution No. 2014-211 approving the improvement project on Galloway Street, N. Barstow Street to N. Dewey Street (14-105). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Larsen “to adopt the resolution”. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lewis and seconded by Council Member Mitchell “to amend the resolution by adding the phrase ‘At the request of the property owner, there may be construction of’ at the beginning of the paragraph numbered 11.”. Said motion to amend passed by unanimous voice vote. The Council then voted on the resolution as amended. Said resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

EASEMENT

The City Council considered a resolution granting an easement to Xcel Energy across City-owned property on the west side of W. Hamilton Avenue for construction of an electrical line. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CONFLUENCE PROJECT

The Council considered resolution which had been requested, and moved, by Council Member Von Haden and Council Member Duax restricting the City expenditure until such time as funding is approved by the State for the Confluence Community Arts Center, completion of the private fundraising, and satisfying of other contingencies. The mover and seconder withdrew their motion.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property southwest of Keystone Crossing and Bullis Farm Road from R-1P, R-3P, and C-3P to R-1P and C-3P; and to adopt the General Development Plan for single-family development and commercial development as shown on Planning File #Z-1546-14. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lewis and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the resolution”. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property at 1417 and 1427 Meadow Lane from TR-1 to R-1 as shown on Planning File #Z-1547-14.

HOUSING

The Council had first reading on the following ordinances amending the City Code of Ordinances:

- Chapter 9.16, entitled “Fair Housing”.
- Section 9.32.030 entitled “Discharging Firearms” to reflect changes to municipal bans on bow hunting.
- Table IX entitled "Parking During Specified Hours," by creating a section entitled "Fifteen Minutes-At All Times" for Galloway Street, the north side, from N. Dewey Street to 55 feet west of N. Dewey Street.

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 15th Assessment Ward, 2nd Aldermanic District, that part of the SW ¼-SW ¼ of Section 26-27-9, Town of Washington, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 14-1A (Gumz Petition, 3123 Pine Lodge Road).

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Van Haden and seconded by Council Member Lewis “that this meeting does now adjourn.” Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment: August 12, 2014

Time: 5:31 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

/s/ Donna A. Austad, City Clerk