

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, January 27, 2015

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, January 27, 2015:

- Approving Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 13, 2015.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to Cedar creek Community Church, Rob Gerber, president, on March 13, 2015, at 3520 Eastwind Drive for a Cedar creek Sportsman's Banquet.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to Sacred Heart of Jesus - St. Patrick Parish, Pastor Rev. George T. Thayilkuzhithottu, on February 22, 2015, at 322 Fulton Street, for A Taste of India event and on March 15, 2015, for St. Patrick's Day Celebration.
- Granting Change of Agent for the Combination Class A Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license of Aldi Inc., d/b/a Aldi #53, 3650 S. Hastings Way from Madonna Marion to Bryon Betts.
- Authorizing submission of an application to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for an Aquatic Invasive Species Grant for funding for Half Moon Lake Herbicide Treatment and Research for 2016 thru 2019.
- Preliminary Resolution declaring the City's intention to exercise its special assessment powers for street, utility, and sidewalk improvements, and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a hearing scheduled for February 9, 2015, on the following streets:
 - W. Clairemont Avenue N. Frontage Road, Hendrickson Drive Frontage Road W. to 1,632 feet northwest of Craig Road (15-306)
 - Hendrickson Drive Frontage Road W., Heights Drive to W. Clairemont Avenue N. Frontage Road (15-307)
 - Golf Road, Commerce Valley Road to Oakwood Hills Parkway (15-302)
 - E. Lowes Creek Road, Cummings Avenue to Cottonwood Drive (15-301)
 - S. Lowes Creek Road, Golf Road to 250 feet south (15-304)
 - Rudolph Road, E. Hamilton Avenue to Pine Park Drive (15-305)
 - Main Street, S. Farwell Street to 544 feet east of Summer Street (15-303)

- Authorizing the following Special Events:
 - University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire to conduct the Shamrock Shuffle on Saturday, March 14, 2015 along city trails and sidewalks.
 - Chippewa Valley Council of Boy Scouts to conduct the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4, 2015 at Carson Park.
 - Memorial High School Choir Boosters to conduct the Memorial High School Pops Concert on Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at Owen Park.
- Approving the bids and proposals for:
 - Procurement No. 2015-05, City Wide Valve and Hydrant Replacement
 - Procurement No. 2015-06, City Wide Water Service Replacement

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

APPOINTMENTS

The Council considered a resolution approving the following appointments to various Boards, Committees and Commissions.

Affirmative Action Committee (Labor Representative)

Kasondra Mero – new appointment to fill unexpired term to expire June 30, 2017

Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Aaron Salmon – new appointment to fill unexpired term to expire December 31, 2016

Housing Authority

Jolynn Rusin – new appointment to fill unexpired term to expire April 30, 2015

North Barstow Medical Business Improvement

Elaine Carlson – new appointment to fill unexpired term to expire December 31, 2016

Jason Craig – reappointment to three-year term to expire December 31, 2017

South Barstow Business Improvement District

Mike McCorney – new appointment to three-year term to expire December 31, 2017

Zoning Board of Appeals

William Boettcher – new appointment to three-year term to expire December 31, 2017

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

DONATION

The City Council considered a resolution accepting the donation of a fire safety trailer from the Wisconsin Alliance for Fire Safety. 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.

GARDEN AGREEMENTS

The Council considered a resolution authorizing neighborhood and community garden use agreements for 2015 and 2016 with

- Third Ward Neighborhood Association for neighborhood gardens in Demler Park;
- Historic Randall Park Neighborhood Association for neighborhood gardens in Lakeshore Park;
- North Riverfronts Neighborhood Association for community gardens in Forest Street Park and
- Southside Neighborhood Garden Association for neighborhood gardens in Fairfax Park.

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.

STREET VACATION

The City Council considered a resolution vacating Eau Claire Street, from Graham Avenue to the Chippewa River. 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.

PARKING LOT AGREEMENT

The Council considered a resolution approving a lease agreement with 306 South Barstow Street, LLC., for the premise located at 219 S. Barstow Street, also referred to the Four Corners Parking Lot. 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.

WEDC GRANT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing staff to submit a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) Community Investment Grant Application on behalf of the downtown hotel redevelopment project at the Green Tree Inn. 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.

The Council considered a resolution approving a Development Agreement with Long Form LLC for a downtown hotel redevelopment project at the former Green Tree Inn, as required for the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) Community Investment Grant application. 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.

SUSTAINABILITY

The City Council considered a resolution granting the Advisory Commission on Sustainability a six-month extension to complete the proposed paper and plastic bag educational phase. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Emmanuelle “to adopt the resolution”. Because said resolution did not receive the six

votes required for passage, it failed on the following vote: Aye: Council Members Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Mitchell, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Members Larsen, Lewis, Strobel and Von Haden.

PARTNERSHIP FOR PROSPERITY

The City Council considered a resolution supporting the League of Wisconsin Municipalities' "Partnership for Prosperity" agenda. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Xiong and seconded by Council Member Werthmann "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Larsen, Mitchell, Von Haden, Werthmann and Xiong. Nay: Council Members Lewis and Strobel.

ANNEXATION

The Council considered 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, for that part of the NE ¼ of the SW ¼, located in Section 11-27-9 and that part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, located in Section 11-27-9, both in the Town of Seymour, Eau Claire County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 14-4A (Haselwander II petition). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Larsen "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property at 2010 6th Street from P-Public to R-3P and to adopt the General Development Plan for an apartment building as shown on Planning File Z-1554-15. 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.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property on the east side of Western Avenue, north of Waller Street through to N. Hastings Way from R-1 and R-3 to R-2P and to adopt the General Development Plan for duplex and 4-plex development as shown on Planning File Z1555-15. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council member Emmanuelle "to postpone consideration of said ordinance until such time as a recommendation comes forward from the Plan Commission." Said motion to postpone passed by a unanimous voice vote.

PARKING & TRAFFIC

The Council considered an ordinance amending Table IX of the City Code of Ordinances, entitled "Parking During Specified Hours," and Table XII, entitled "Parking, Stopping and Standing Prohibited," by changing the parking on Cameron Street and Babcock Street adjacent to the Chippewa Valley Montessori Charter School. 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 an ordinance amending Table XI of the City Code of Ordinances, entitled "Traffic Control Signals," by omitting the traffic control signals at Barstow Street and Eau Claire Street and adding or amending 20 traffic control signals located throughout the city. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mitchell and seconded by Council Member Larsen "to adopt the resolution". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CODE AMENDMENT - BEES

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance creating Chapter 6.14 entitled "Keeping of Honey Bees" of the City Code of Ordinances.

CODE AMENDMENT – CROSS CONNECTION

The Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Chapter 14.08 of the City Code of Ordinances, entitled "Connection and Installation," to set requirements for cross connection inspections for public utility customers.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Larsen and seconded by Council Member Von Haden "that this meeting does now adjourn." Said motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Adjournment: January 27, 2015

Time: 5:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

Donna A. Austad, City Clerk