

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, October 27, 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 Interim City Manager Solberg 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, October 27, 2020:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the October 13, 2020 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Class A Intoxicated Liquor license to Applegreen Midwest, LLC, d/b/a Express Lane #2313, 2205 Eddy Lane, Patricia Laughlin, agent.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Community Services Department to apply for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Lake Protection Grant monies for water quality improvements.
- Introduction of a resolution amending the City of Eau Claire Schedule of Fees and Licenses, effective January 1, 2021.

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

AGREEMENT

Council Member Emmanuelle recused herself.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing an extension of the lease for use of land at Jeffers Road for community gardens. 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.

Council Member Emmanuelle rejoined the meeting.

GRANTS

The City Council considered a resolution accepting and appropriating a Center for Tech and Civic Life grant for safe and secure election administration in the City of Eau Claire in 2020. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a substitute resolution authorizing City staff to apply for the Economic Development Administration (EDA) Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program grant jointly with Gateway Industrial Park Corporation and the Chippewa Valley Innovation Center (CVIC) to assist with construction of infrastructure and a new CVIC facility in Lot #1 of the Gateway Northwest Industrial Park. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to adopt the substitute resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP

The City Council considered a resolution approving a Certified Survey Map with right-of-way dedication for the Eau Claire Public Library at 400 Eau Claire Street (File CSM-10-20). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Xiong “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

LANDLORD SUPPORT PROGRAM

The City Council considered a resolution adopting the City of Eau Claire Landlord Support Program. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Beaton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

BARGAINING AGREEMENT

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a collective bargaining agreement between the City of Eau Claire and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1310. 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.

REMOTE MEETING ATTENDANCE

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing remote attendance at City Council and public meetings. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Emmanuelle and seconded by Council Member Gragert “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

Council Member Xiong recused herself from the following two zoning items.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property located at 3301 & 3155 Birch Street, to amend the general development plan for a mixed-use development for a four-story apartment building and a commercial building (Z-1658-19 Amd). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Lor 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 the southwest corner of the North Crossing and Mill Run Road from C-2P to R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for multi-family apartments up to 56 units (Z-1679-20). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Council Member Xiong rejoined the meeting.

LOCAL 1310 PAY PLAN

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending s. 2.72.010 entitled “City of Eau Claire Pay Plan – Adopted,” specifically that part thereof pertaining to Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1310 employees.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Klinkhammer “to suspend the rules which interfere with the immediate consideration of the Pay Plan Ordinance.” Said motion to suspend the rules passed by unanimous vote.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Beaton and seconded by Council Member Berge “to adopt the ordinance amending s. 2.72.010 entitled “City of Eau Claire Pay Plan - Adopted,” specifically that part thereof pertaining Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1310 employees. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ZONING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance rezoning property located at 4223 Jeffers Road from R-1A to R-3P and to adopt the general development plan for apartment buildings with 32-36 units (Z-1677-20).

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance ending Title 18 entitled Zoning Code of the City of Eau Claire related to commercial districts. (File Z-1680-20).

ANNEXATION

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance annexing land to the City of Eau Claire located at County Hwy T, Town of Wheaton, Chippewa County, as shown on Planning Drawing No. 20-3A (City of Eau Claire Petition #14336).

ALDERMANIC DISTRICTS

The City Council had first reading on a charter ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire.

PARKING

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Table XII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled “Parking, Stopping and Standing Prohibited” and Title 10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled “Vehicles and Traffic.”

NON-REPRESENTED PAY PLAN & PRACTICES

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending the City of Eau Claire Pay Plan and Practices.

SEWERAGE SERVICE CHARGE

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Chapter 15.04 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire entitled “Sewerage Service Charge” to increase the sewer user charges as proposed in the 2021 Operating Budget.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: October 27, 2020

Time: 5:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Carrie L. Riepl
City Clerk