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## MINUTES

### EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Berge called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Kate Felton, Jeremy Gragert, Charles Johnson, Larry Mboga, Jessica Schoen and Andrew Werthmann. The following Council Members were absent: Roderick Jones and Joshua Miller.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday July 25, 2023:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the July 11, 2023 Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting the renewal of bartender licenses for the 2023-2025 licensing period.
- Granting a Class B Cabaret license to Chekell's Soul Food, LLC, d/b/a C & T's Soul Food, 963 W. Clairemont Avenue, Chekell Hill, agent.
- Granting a temporary expansion of the Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage licensed premise of Gruen's Hobbsy's, LLC, d/b/a Hobbsy & Me, 3620 Locust Lane, to include a fenced in area for an outdoor class reunion, for the dates of August 4th & 5th, and August 11th & 12th, 2023.
- Approving an update to the Chippewa Valley Regional Computer Forensic Laboratory (CVRCFL) Agreement.
- Authorizing the City of Eau Claire Police Department to apply for a PSAP (Public Service Answering Point) Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs, Office of Emergency Communications.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Werthmann "to adopt the consent resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### BUSINESS AGENDA

The City Council considered a resolution granting a Reserve Combination Class B Intoxicating Liquor and Fermented Malt Beverage license to Fella's of EC, LLC, d/b/a Fella's Loaded Goat, 1305 Menomonie Street, Jordan M. Tyznik, agent. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Gragert "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing 2023 Budget Adjustments for the Adopted Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Budget. (Because this item amends the budget, a 2/3

vote of elected members, or 8 affirmative votes, is required for adoption.) Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Schoen “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **ORDINANCES FOR ACTION**

The Council considered an ordinance creating Section 3.40.020 entitled “Adoption of a Local Vehicle Registration Fee” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to amend the ordinance” by adding: “SECTION 2. This fee, \$24.00, will terminate on December 31, 2026.” Said motion Failed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Christopherson, Johnson, and Schoen. Nay: Council Members Berge, Felton, Gragert, Mboga, and Werthmann. A vote was then taken “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by the following vote: Aye: Council Members Anderson, Berge, Felton, Gragert, Johnson, Schoen, and Werthmann. Nay: Council Members Christopherson and Mboga.

The Council considered an ordinance to rezone property from C-2 to R-4P located at 2125 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to adopt the general development plan for multi-family development (Z-1728-23). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Felton “to adopt the ordinance.” Thereupon a motion was made council member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to amend the ordinance” by adding: “The developer shall pay the full cost of construction of sidewalk along the south side of Walnut Street, between Third Street and Second Street, at such time in the future when the City constructs sidewalk in conjunction with the Walnut Street reconstruction or other project which would install the sidewalk” Said motion passed by unanimous vote. A vote was then taken “to adopt the ordinance” as amended. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance to rezone property from R-4 to RM-P and to amend the zoning and general development plan to allow for the multi-family development located at 618 E Grand Avenue (Z-1405-08 Amd). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Council considered an ordinance to amend the general development plan for reduction in landscape buffering along the front yard from 10 feet to 5 feet located at 2001, 2021, 2105 Brackett Avenue and 1903 Keith Street (Z-807 Amendment). (Plan Commission requests that this item be postponed indefinitely.) Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Anderson and seconded by Council Member Felton “to postpone this item indefinitely.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION**

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance to rezone property from TC-2 to C-2P located at 2712 Mercantile Drive and to adopt the general development plan with site plan for a Hope Gospel School (Z-1730-23).

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance to rezone property from R-2 and C-P to C-3 located at 1631 and 1709 Harding Avenue, 1731 Royal Court (Z-1731-23).

The City Council had first reading on an ordinance amending Title 9 Chapter IV, entitled “Offenses against Public Decency” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: Tuesday, July 25, 2023

Time: 5:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Emily K. Berge  
Council President

/s/ Nicholas L. Koerner  
City Clerk