

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 13, 2021

A. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance Mayor Grover called the Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call – Excused Absences Councilmembers present included Councilmember Overhauser, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Barthels, Councilmember Weiszmann, Councilmember Gaard, Councilmember Hilton, and Councilmember Taves. Staff members present included Mr. Schuller, Ms. Niemeier, Mr. Schwartz, Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Hensley, Mr. Ableman, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Marx, and Ms. Snider. Mayor Grover stated that Councilmember Gaard requested to be excused from the July 27 meeting. Councilmember Schmidt moved to excused the absence. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of June 22, 2021 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 157753 through 157755, 157796 through 157908, and June interdepartmental billing in the amount of \$394,512.42, payroll warrants nos. 63783 through 63793 in the amount of \$3,098.30, direct deposits in the amount of \$437,229.67, claims warrants nos. 157588 through 157614 in the amount of \$368,760.39, and transfers to claims clearing fund for distribution of reported benefit adjustments in the amount of \$140,334.27 for a total payroll of \$949,422.63 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts None

G. Information Items None

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments Mayor Grover stated that we received an email from Joanna Matos in support of a future pool and she provided information on possible funding sources. Jennifer Settler, 1409 Gary St, spoke about the pool.

J. Action Items

1. 21-068 – Resolution E-928 – 2021 Scenic Heights Sewer Main Repair Project Mr. Ableman stated there was an error in the contract amount. It should be \$19,584.80. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-928 with the corrected amount of \$19,584.80 plus taxes. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 21-070 – Resolution E-929 – BPA Energy Conservation Agreement No. 1 Mr. Marx stated that this extends the term for one year and updates the BPA contact information. Councilmember Overhauser moved for approval of Resolution E-929. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously.

3. 21-071 – Resolution E-930 – Levy Lift Ballot Measure Mr. Schuller stated that this is a ballot measure for the community to consider for the high level of public safety service to our community. Mr. Schwartz explained the resolution. Ms. Niemeier provided information on potential revenue. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-930. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 21-067 – Ordinance Y-12 – R3 Bonus Density Mr. Ableman explained the ordinance and the changes that will be made. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the first reading of Ordinance Y-12 in title and summary form only and to defer it to subsequent meetings. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. 21-069 – Ordinance Y-13 – Inland Power Franchise Agreement Mr. Marx stated that this grants a non-exclusive franchise to Inland Power and Light. It replaces the resolution that expired. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the first reading of Ordinance Y-13 in title and summary form only and to defer this to subsequent meetings. Councilmember Barthels seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Ableman provided information about solid waste operations and stated that we are getting out of alley service. Mr. Schuller provided information on the failure at the pool and where we go in the future.

L. Mayor's Report None

M. Council Reports Councilmember Overhauser stated that she appreciates the work of Ms. Niemeier and the Finance Committee on COVID-19 related issues. Councilmember Schmidt encouraged an RFQ for the pool. He will be attending the Public Works Committee meeting on Thursday. Councilmember Barthels agreed that we should do an RFP for the pool. He will attend Public Works on Thursday and Public Safety next week. He applauded the first responders and their actions on the wildfires. Councilmember Weiszmann provided an update on the Cheney Depot building. Councilmember Gaard agreed with the comments about the pool. Councilmember Hilton agreed with the comments about Ms. Niemeier. He will attend the Public Works Committee meeting. Councilmember Taves also agreed with Councilmember Overhauser regarding Ms. Niemeier and her staff.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Barthels seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.



City Clerk



Mayor