

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 13, 2020

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. Ableman, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Marx, Mr. Hensley, and Ms. Snider.

C. Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of September 22, 2020 were approved as distributed.

D. Claims and Vouchers nos. 155129, 155200 through 155331, and September interdepartmental billing in the amount of \$950,507.55, payroll warrants nos. 63422 through 63468 in the amount of \$29,117.11, direct deposits in the amount of \$433,074.47, claims warrants nos. 155130 through 155153 in the amount of \$242,465.79, and transfers to claims clearing fund for distribution of previously expensed and reported benefit adjustments in the amount of \$295,261.97 for a total payroll of \$999,919.34 were approved as read.

E. Claims for Damages None

F. Small Contracts Mayor Grover stated that the small contracts were previously approved.

G. Information Items Mr. Jenkins introduced Zach Holmes, our newest firefighter. Mr. Hensley provided information about Cheyanne Walters, our newest police officer.

H. Appointments None

I. Citizen Comments Mayor Grover stated that he received a couple of emails from citizens that he has responded to.

J. Action Items

1. 20-070 – Resolution E-855 – BPA Agreement to Enable the Sale of Transmission Losses Mr. Marx stated that this will enable the sale of transmission losses between the City and BPA. Councilmember Overhauser moved for approval of Resolution E-855. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously.

2. 20-071 – Resolution E-856 – Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan Application Mr. Ableman stated that we completed the design on the Purple Pipe Project. The price tag is approximately \$23.5 million. Councilmember Schmidt moved for approval of Resolution E-856. Councilmember Weiszmann seconded. Carried with Councilmember Barthels abstaining.

3. 20-072 – Resolution E-857 – 2020 UB Overhead Door Replacement Mr. Marx stated that this will replace three doors. Councilmember Weiszmann moved for approval of Resolution E-857. Councilmember Gaard seconded. Carried unanimously.

4. 20-073 – Resolution E-858 – WWC Camera Van Purchase Mr. Ableman stated that this replaces our 1994 camera van. Councilmember Barthels moved for approval of Resolution E-858. Councilmember Taves seconded. Carried unanimously.

5. 20-074 – Resolution E-859 – StreetWise Fire and EMS Response Software Mr. Jenkins provided information on the software. Councilmember Taves moved for approval of Resolution E-859 subject to legal review. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously.

6. 20-066 – Ordinance X-87 – Capital Facilities Plan 2nd Reading Councilmember Schmidt stated that he would like to add a line item in the public service facilities chapter to add \$250,000 in REET funds to study, analyze, and recommend how, where, and when we could replace the fire department, police station, and to include city hall and the aquatic facility/swimming pool. Councilmember Overhauser moved for the second

reading of Ordinance X-87 in title and summary form only and to deferred it to a future meeting. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. Carried unanimously.

K. Staff Reports Mr. Ableman reported on Cheney Clean Sweep. Ms. Niemeier provided information on the budget process. Mr. Schuller stated that he will be meeting with our lobbyist on Friday to put together a draft legislative process.

L. Mayor's Report Mayor Grover stated that there have been some extremist stickers placed on light poles around Cheney and on campus.

M. Council Reports Councilmember Overhauser stated that the SREC board is looking for a citizen member. Councilmember Schmidt will be attending the Public Works Committee meeting on Thursday. He provided an update on the SRTC Board activity. Councilmember Barthels will be at the Public Works meeting on Thursday. He attended the Planning Commission meeting. Councilmember Weiszmann provided an update on the Cheney Depot. She thanked everyone for their work on the budget. Councilmember Gaard stated that he participated in Cheney Clean Sweep. Councilmember Hilton will attend the Public Works meeting on Thursday.

N. Executive Session None

O. Adjournment Councilmember Taves moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Hilton seconded. Carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.


City Clerk


Mayor