



MINUTES

City Council Regular Meeting

6:30 PM – Monday, June 28, 2021

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CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Logan called the meeting of the Othello City Council to order at 6:30 p.m. and led a silent invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers Present:

Angel Garza

Jonathan Erickson

Corey Everett

Mark Snyder

Genna Dorow

John Lallas

Mark Snyder

Maria Quezada

Councilmembers Absent:

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT

Shawn Logan, Mayor

Tania Morelos, City Clerk

Abner Garza, IT Director

Anne Henning, Community Development Director

CITIZEN INPUT

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE AGENDA. M/S Dorow/Garza

CONSENT OF AGENDA

- A. Approval of City Council Minutes of June 14, 2021
- B. Approval of Accounts Payable Checks
- C. Approval to Call for Bids for Official Newspaper

Council carried a motion to APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. M/S Everett/Snyder

CURRENT BUSINESS

ASR PILOT TEST UPDATE

Tim Flynn and Andrew Austreng give an update on the ASR pilot testing on a PowerPoint presentation.

NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN

Madison Martinez, Park and Recreation Coordinator introduced Mike Cole from National Fitness Campaign who shared a video. National Fitness Campaign has made it a part of their mission to change the way people view working out by bringing a fitness court to Othello which would be free of use to the community. Staff is not sure at the moment how the project will be funded and is still doing research. Staff received Council consensus to move forward with researching the funding of the project.

APPROVAL OF FACILITY USE AGREEMENT AND RESOLUTION FOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 4TH OF JULY EVENT

Madison Martinez, Park and Recreation Coordinator presents a facility use agreement and resolution to allow the Chamber of Commerce to hold their annual 4th of July event at Lions Park on July 3, 2021. Staff recommends waiving the "additional fees" in the application due to this event being a volunteer community event and only pay the special application fee of \$432.

Council carried a motion to APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2021-08 AND AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO SIGN FACILITY USE AGREEMENT WITH THE GREATER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE USE OF LIONS PARK FOR THE ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION WITH THE ADJUSTED SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION FEE OF \$432. M/S Lallas/Garza

PUBLIC HEARING ON HOUSING ACTION PLAN

Mayor Logan opens the public hearing at 7:47pm.

Anne Henning, Community Development Director briefs Council on the Housing Action Plan and asks for comments or questions. Discussion ensued between Council, Staff, and Chris Dorow, Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Mayor Logan opens the public testimony portion to those in support, neutral, and opposed- There was none.

Mayor Logan closed the Public Hearing at 8:16pm.

Council carried a MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-09 ADOPTING THE HOUSING ACTION PLAN. M/S Lallas/Dorow

Councilman Everett voted opposed to the motion. Motion carries 6-1.

OTHELLO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPDATE

Jim Laird, Wastewater Treatment Operator gives Council a brief PowerPoint presentation on the history and update of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

REQUEST TO GO TO BID FOR THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT CHLORINATION/ DECHLORINATION PROJECT

Mayor Logan presents a request to go to bid for the wastewater treatment chlorination/ dichlorination project and outlines the costs estimates.

Council carried a MOTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO ADVERTISE THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT CHLORINATION/DECHLORINATION PROJECT ONCE WE HAVE CONFIRMATION FROM THE DOE THAT THE PROJECT IS READY TO GO OUT TO BID. M/S Snyder/Garza

COMPLETE STREETS GRANT

Thalia Lemus, Grant Administrator presents the City's goals for the complete streets grant project. Staff requests Council consensus to move forward with the application of the grant.

Council carried a motion to AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PURSUE THE COMPLETE STREETS GRANT. M/S Erickson/Dorow

TIB GRANT

Thalia Lemus, Grant Administrator requests Council approve submittal of the TIB grant application and reservation of TBD funds for the Urban Arterial Program (UAP) to reconstruct Broadway Ave from North of Fir Street to Lee Street. This project would require the City to commit a match of 10% of the total cost which can only be used to reconstruct the width of the existing roads.

Council carried a MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF THE TIB GRANT APPLICATION AND ALLOCATE THE REQUIRED TBD FUNDS TO MEET THE LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENT. M/S Dorow/Quezada

ARPA FUNDS

Thalia Lemus, Grant Administrator gives Council a brief update on the American Rescue Plan Act which helps respond to the COVID-19 emergency. Council will be presented with staff recommended items to spend the ARPA funds on and will request Council approval at the July 12th Council meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Logan reminds Council the July 6th meeting is cancelled.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

COUNCIL WILL ALSO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING

A. Planning Commission Minutes

ADJOURNMENT

With no further items to discuss, Mayor Logan adjourned the Council meeting at 9:05 p.m.

By: _____

SHAWN R. LOGAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____

TANIA MORELOS, CITY CLERK