

MINUTES
REGULAR ST. MICHAEL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 27, 2022

St. Michael City Center

7:08 p.m.

Present: Mayor Keith Wettschreck (via Zoom); Council Members Ryan Gleason, Joe Hagerty, Tom Hamilton, and Nadine Schoen. City Administrator/Public Works Director Steve Bot (via Zoom); Community Development Director Marc Weigle; Engineer Nick Preisler; City Attorney David Lenhardt; and Deputy Clerk Amy Woitalla. Acting Mayor Schoen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. declaring a quorum present and the pledge of allegiance was said.

Set Agenda. Council Members Hagerty/Gleason **moved** to approve the agenda. All voted aye.

Citizen Input. No one asked to be recognized under citizen input.

Consent Agenda. Deputy Clerk Woitalla explained there was a correction to the minutes from the previous meeting. Council Members Hamilton/Hagerty **moved** to approve the Consent Agenda Items a) through g) as amended. All voted aye.

- a) Resolution #09-27-22-01 Approving Minutes of the September 13 Council Meeting
- b) Resolution #09-27-22-02 Proclaiming October 15th as National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Day
- c) Resolution #09-27-22-03 Approving August Financial Report
- d) Resolution #09-27-22-04 Approving Letter of Credit Release for Creekside Estates
- e) Resolution #09-27-22-05 Approving Pay Estimate No. 2 for Anton Village Park Improvements Project
- f) Resolution #09-27-22-06 Approving Pay Estimate No. 2 for Barthel Park Improvements Project
- g) Resolution #09-27-22-07 Approve Budgeted Side by Side Parks Utility Vehicle Replacement

Sheriff's Office Report. There was no report from the Wright County Sheriff's Office.

Community Development Report.

599 Central Avenue West Update. Community Development Director Marc Weigle stated staff had been out that day to take photos, and there was not much progress to report. Weigle left a message for the homeowner but had not yet heard back. Lenhardt said this is something that could be enforced under the City's nuisance ordinance. The consensus of the Council was to begin the code enforcement process by sending the owner a letter listing the code violations and giving a deadline for cleanup.

Jennifer Mitchell - 10593 37th Place NE. She stood and said she appreciates the conversation but when talking about a 6-month timeframe, she thinks it should start the day of the active shooter event in June as opposed to the August fire. She wanted everyone to consider the hardship she has had to endure.

Wettschreck said he hoped to reach out to the owner to meet with him on the site later in the week.

Wetland Consultant Services. Weigle said the City had used Todd Ullom with Sambatek for 17+ years for wetland consulting services. Ullom recently switched employment, but since he is familiar with the City and has always helped meet the wetland statute, staff recommends continuing to work with him. Council Members Gleason/Hamilton **moved** to approve **Resolution 09-27-22-08** Approving Master Services Agreement with KLJ Engineering. All voted aye.

DEED Business Development Infrastructure Grant Application. Weigle reported the EDA had originally approved a similar resolution but technically the resolution must be by the Council since the City will own and maintain the infrastructure. Council Members Hagerty/Gleason **moved** to approve **Resolution No. 09-27-22-09** Local Government Resolution Business Development Public Infrastructure Grant Application. All voted aye.

R-2 District Requirements. Weigle said staff recently met with HKGi to get started on the ordinance update process. During the meeting, it was brought up the R-2 District allows a minimum lot size of 20,000 SF and parcels must have city sewer and water, yet nearly all parcels zoned R-2 are presently 43,560 SF or larger. Currently, the only neighborhoods with sewer and water are the Lenz and Hillwood Subdivisions. The consensus of the Council was that when someone moves onto a 1-acre platted property, they assume it will not be further subdivided. They then directed staff to create a moratorium ordinance to be approved at the next regular meeting to temporarily not allow the subdivision of R-2 lots until the issue can be looked at in more depth as part of the ordinance update process.

City Administrator Report.

I-94 Coalition Update. Gleason and Bot provided an update on a recent advocacy trip to Washington DC for the USDOT MEGA Funding grant application for the remaining funds MnDOT needs to complete the I-94 Gap Project between Albertville and Monticello. Gleason said everyone they met with was well aware of the project and the need to get the project funded. The City should be informed soon whether or not the grant was awarded by the end of the year. Bot added this would finish the gap between Albertville and Monticello and would be the 7th project that would finish a 40-mile segment. Wettschreck said it is more important than anyone realizes to have those face-to-face conversations.

Award 2022 Striping Quotes. Engineer Nick Preisler reported there was one quote received for pavement striping and it provided good pricing which was under the Engineer Estimate. Council Members Gleason/Hamilton **moved** to approve **Resolution 09-27-22-10** Accepting Quotes and Awarding Contract for the 2022 Street Striping Project. All voted aye.

City Attorney Report. Attorney Lenhardt had nothing additional to report on.

Approval of Claims. Council Members Gleason/Hagerty **moved** to approve checks #47520-47573, credit card and ACH transactions in the total amount of \$1,029,078.40. All voted aye.

Adjourn. Council Members Gleason/Hagerty **moved** to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. All voted aye.

Attest:

Deputy Clerk

Mayor