



**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
DECEMBER 2, 2019**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, December 2, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 7700 Mission Road, Prairie Village, Kansas. Mayor Mikkelson presided.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Council Members in attendance: Chad Herring, Jori Nelson, Serena Schermoly, Ron Nelson, Tucker Poling, Andrew Wang, Sheila Myers, Brooke Morehead, Dan Runion, Courtney McFadden and Ted Odell. Staff present: Tim Schwartzkopf, Chief of Police; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; City Attorney David Waters, attorney with Lathrop & Gage; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Jamie Robichaud, Deputy City Administrator; Lisa Santa Maria, Finance Director; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Morehead made a motion to approve the agenda for December 2, 2019. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & SCOUTS

Students from St. Teresa's Academy were in attendance as a requirement of their U.S. Government class.

PRESENTATIONS

- Co-responder introduction - Chief Schwartzkopf introduced Heather Mason, the Johnson County Mental Health co-responder for both Prairie Village and Leawood. Ms. Mason shared that a co-responder's role is to respond to mental health related calls, assess whether officers require additional care after traumatic events, and coordinate that care for as long as it is needed. Ms. Mason was hired in July 2019.
- Citizen Police Academy graduation - Sgt. Brady Sullivan stated that each fall, the Police Department hosts a ten-week Citizen Police Academy session, which meets weekly. The training includes classroom learning as well as visits to locations such as the county crime lab. Nine graduates were recognized and presented certificates.
- First Washington annual presentation - First Washington, the owners of the Prairie Village and Corinth shopping centers, provided a review of investments,



improvements, renewals, new leases and community engagements in 2019. Notable improvements included the installation of EV charging stations, courtyard renovations and roof replacement at the Prairie Village shops, and on-going large-scale maintenance projects at the Corinth Shops. Numerous community engagement events, such as the Prairie Village Art Fair, KU Kickoff Event and Halloween trick-or-treating were held during the year.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

With no one present to address the Council, public participation was closed at 6:26 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Mikkelson asked if there were any items to remove from the consent agenda for discussion:

1. Approval of the regular City Council meeting minutes - November 18, 2019
2. Approval of 2020 Cereal Malt Beverage licenses
3. Approval of Expenditure Ordinance #2983
4. Approval of Expenditure Ordinance #2984
5. Consider renewal of Blue Valley Public Safety contract for the City's outdoor warning siren system maintenance for 2020
6. Consider renewal of Information Technology Services agreement between Johnson County DTI and the City of Prairie Village

Mr. Poling made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: "aye": Herring, J. Nelson, Schermoly, R. Nelson, Poling, Wang, Myers, Morehead, Runion, McFadden, Odell.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mrs. Myers stated that the MARC Solid Waste Management Council gave a recognition award to Laura Moore, a sixth grade teacher from Prairie Elementary School for her work as an environmental educator.

Mrs. Myers added that over 10,000 post cards were sent to City residents with a link to an online survey regarding the proposed civic center.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Mikkelson reported the following:

- The Mayor noted that the annual holiday tree lighting event was very successful
- The most recent Chamber in the Chambers music series event took place on November 29. In 2020, these concerts will be held in conjunction with art receptions.



- The Mayor and others attended the Kansas City Chamber of Commerce Dinner, where he spoke with Senator Jerry Moran and invited him to provide an update at a future Council meeting.
- The Mayor attended the annual Public Works holiday lunch the prior week, and noted that staff were preparing for snow season.
- A “Connecting for Good” breakfast will be held on Wednesday, December 4.
- A Northeast Johnson County Chamber of Commerce coffee event will take place at the Meadowbrook Events Center on December 5.
- A LEED building seminar will also be held on December 5.
- The annual Prairie Village Volunteer Appreciation Dinner will be held on December 7.
- The Prairie Village Foundation Gingerbread House Decorating fundraiser will be held on December 8.
- Lathrop and Gage will hold an annual legislative breakfast on December 11.
- The annual Shop with a Cop event will take place on December 12.
- The Northeast Johnson County Chamber’s legislative preview breakfast will be held on December 13.
- A “City Issues” legislative forum will be held on January 8.
- The Mayor noted that Moody’s had once again given the City a “Aaa” bond rating.
- The Mayor stated that former Councilmember Steve Noll had been appointed to serve on the Consolidated Fire District #2 Board of Trustees.
- The Mayor noted that Councilmember committee appointment preferences would be due at the December 16 meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

Public Safety

- Chief Schwartzkopf reported that the department would be participating in a “Tip a Cop” event in partnership with the Special Olympics on December 5 at Johnny’s.

Public Works

- Mr. Bredehoeft said the second skate park community workshop would be held on Tuesday, December 10, and will give the public an opportunity to comment on current design plans.

Mr. Bredehoeft added that “sharrows”, markings indicating that vehicle traffic should share the road with bicyclists, had been installed on several City streets.

Administration

- Mr. Jordan stated the December plan of action was included in the meeting packet.

OLD BUSINESS

COU2019-47

Consider approval of items for bond sale related to the Public Works facility



Adam Pope, with Columbia Capital Management, presented information regarding the bond sale to finance the cost of constructing the new Public Works facility. Bids had been accepted earlier in the day, and FHN Financial was the winning bidder, offering \$9.89 million at a 2.89% interest rate for 30 years. Mr. Pope stated that Council would need to accept the bid, and approve both an Ordinance and a Resolution providing for the issuance of General Obligation improvement bonds as well. Kevin Wempe, with Gilmore and Bell, noted that this was the final act in the process to authorize and issue the bonds.

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve the best bid by FHN Financial at the true interest cost of 2.891%. Mrs. Schermoly seconded the motion.

Mr. Runion stated that he would vote in opposition to the motion, instead favoring a twenty-year term with reduced interest payments.

The motion passed 8-3, with Mrs. Myers, Mr. Runion and Mr. Odell in opposition.

Mr. Wang made a motion to approve Ordinance #2412 authorizing and providing for the issuance of General Obligation bonds, Series 2019. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: "aye": Herring, J. Nelson, Schermoly, R. Nelson, Poling, Wang, Morehead, McFadden; "nay": Myers, Runion, Odell. The motion passed 8-3.

Mr. Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-17 prescribing the form and details of and authorizing and directing the sale and delivery of General Obligation improvements bonds, Series 2019. Mrs. Schermoly seconded the motion, which passed 8-3, with Mrs. Myers, Mr. Runion and Mr. Odell in opposition.

NEW BUSINESS

United Community Services (UCS) Presentation

Marya Shott, Director of Resource Allocation with United Community Services, gave a presentation describing the core functions of UCS and its focus on education and advocacy, mobilization and planning, and targeted resource allocation. These allocations, collected from Cities within Johnson County, are used to provide services to residents and improve the well-being of the community.

COU2019-53 Consider 2020 contribution allocation recommended by United Community Services for Human Service Fund grants

For the past several years, the City has contributed to the United Community Services (UCS) Human Service Fund. The fund helps support local non-profit agencies. The 2020 budget has designated \$8,300.00 for this contribution. Funding is included in the 2020 budget for the Parks and Community Programs.



Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the recommendations of the UCS Grant Review Committee contained in the 2020 Human Service Fund Recommendation Report and a contribution to UCS of \$8,300. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

COU2019-54 Consider 2020 contribution allocation recommended by the Drug and Alcoholism Council of Johnson County for the 1010 Alcohol Tax funds

State Statutes require that one-third of the revenue derived from a state excise tax on liquor sold by the drink be used for alcohol or drug prevention or rehabilitation programs. The Drug and Alcoholism Council of Johnson County formed a grant review process that provides a structured and accountable system that allows organizations, through one application, access to funds from multiple jurisdictions. The Council makes recommendations to cities for the expenditure of their funds. The City has the ultimate authority and responsibility for determining the allocation of the City's portion of the Alcohol Tax Fund. Funding is included in the 2020 budget for the Parks and Community Programs.

Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the recommendations of the Drug and Alcoholism Council of Johnson County contained in the United Community Services Fund Recommendations Report and approve a contribution to UCS of \$40,000 from the 2020 Parks & Community Programs Budget. Mrs. Morehead seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

COU2019-55 Consider design agreement with Affinis Corporation for the design of the 2019 Residential Street Program

Mr. Bredehoeft stated that the agreement was for the design of the 2020 street program, which will include paving projects at up to 16 different locations. He added that the repaving of State Line Road would need to be coordinated with Kansas City, Mo., and would likely be completed in 2021.

Mrs. Morehead made a motion to approve the agreement in the amount of \$149,380.00. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

COU2019-56 Consider final project costs for Wassmer Park and Porter Park, BG080001

Mr. Bredehoeft stated that the change order included increased costs related to sod installation and irrigation costs at both parks. Additionally, hookup fees paid to Johnson County Wastewater were higher than originally anticipated.

Mrs. Myers made a motion to approve the additional project funds totaling \$95,375.00. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.



Consider approval of the 2020 Prairie Village Legislative Platform

The Mayor noted that it is important for the Council to reach a consensus on this item for a platform to move forward. If the governing body cannot reach a consensus, it will likely be brought back to a future meeting.

Mr. Herring made a motion to postpone debate until the December 16 meeting, when the full Council was present. Mr. Poling seconded the motion, which passed 9-2, with Mrs. Schermoly and Mr. Wang in opposition.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

There was no business to come before the Council Committee of the Whole.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were included in the Council meeting packet.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the City Council, Mayor Mikkelson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Adam Geffert
City Clerk