

## STATEMENT OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

May 26, 2020

The City Council of the City of Anamosa met in Regular Session May 26, 2020 in Council Chambers at City Hall and via Zoom at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Rod Smith presiding. The following Council Members were present: Rich Crump, Alan Zumbach, Jeff Stout, Kay Smith, and Galen Capron. Absent: John Machart. Also present were Jacob Sheridan, City Administrator; Beth Brincks, City Clerk; Rebecca Vernon, Library Director. Due to the restrictions on public gatherings, Crump, Stout, Smith and the public utilized Zoom to participate in the meeting from their homes. Iowa Code Chapter 21, as interpreted, permits public meetings to be held electronically.

Mayor Rod Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with a quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Director Vernon gave some brief instructions on use of Zoom and how to participate in the meeting. The Mayor stated that all votes will be roll votes so as to be properly recorded.

Motion by Smith, Second by Zumbach to approve the agenda with item 8.5 Professional Services Agreement with HR Green being moved to 8.1 due to time restraints by the presenter. Ayes: Crump, Zumbach, Stout, Smith, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Zumbach, second by Crump to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2020 Regular Council meeting. Ayes: Crump, Stout, Smith, Zumbach, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing regarding the application for Community Development Block Grant Funds for Downtown Revitalization at 6:05 pm. Sheridan gave an overview of the application. The following was read aloud by representatives Tracy Achenbach and Tom Gruis of the ECICOG: As concerned with how the need for proposed activities was identified, it is noted that a building survey determined certain properties within a targeted downtown area, as qualified in “fair” or “poor” condition, are in need of façade improvements. Proposed activities will be funded and the source of funds, it is noted that with proposed project cost presently estimated to total \$ \$1,049,770.59, grant assistance is being requested from the CDBG Program with local match to be provided by the City of Anamosa in the amount of \$250,000 plus property owner participation for the residual balance of cost. It is noted that the CDBG Program funding application will be submitted to the Iowa Department of Economic Development for receipt by July 31, 2020. As concerned with the requested amount of federal funds, it is noted that \$500,000 is being requested from the CDBG Program with local match to be provided by the City of Anamosa in the amount of \$250,000 plus property owner participation for the residual balance of cost. As concerned with benefit from federal funding, it is noted that a target area survey has determined the project qualifies for CDBG Program funding with a predominance of “slum and blighting” conditions. As concerned with where proposed activities will be conducted, it is noted that Downtown Revitalization is targeted to an area generally between S Garnavillo St. and S Cleveland St. along the south side of W Main St. As concerned with plans to minimize the displacement of persons or businesses as a result of funded activities, and plans to assist persons actually displaced, it is noted that, because no property acquisition is proposed, there will be no displacement of persons or businesses as a

result of funded activities. It is noted that Anamosa's Downtown Revitalization will principally comprise building façade improvement. No written comments were received prior to or at the meeting. No public comments were made. Motion by Zumbach, second by Capron to close the Public Hearing. Ayes: Crump, Zumbach, Stout, Smith, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried. The hearing was closed at 6:13 pm.

Tom Gruis gave an overview of the Community Development and Housing Needs Assessment. It will examine housing stock and housing needs.

Motion by Crump to approve Resolution 2020-26 designating a portion of the Corridor Urban Renewal Area a "Slum / Blighted" area with rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development, or a combination thereof, being necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents, second by Smith. Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Smith, Crump, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Crump to approve Resolution 2020-27 approving a Grant Application for The Downtown Revitalization Improvements Project, adopting findings required in association with approval of a Downtown Revitalization Application through the Community Development Block Grant Program of The Iowa Economic Development Authority, selecting Martin Gardner Architecture as the architectural firm, and committing a local match from the City in the amount of \$250,000, second by Zumbach. The Mayor commented that the \$250,000 will be repaid with TIF funds over a period of time but dependent on the changes in valuations. Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Smith, Crump, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment to the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020 at 6:22 pm. No written comments were received prior to or at the meeting. No public comments were made. Sheridan and Brincks stated reasons for amendment were increased revenue from a FEMA grant for the Fire Dept., insurance proceeds, and training reimbursement for a Police Officer. Expenditures increased related to these revenue items as well as insurance premium increases, capital purchases, and payment left over from the trail project from the last fiscal year. Motion by Capron, second by Zumbach to close the Public Hearing. Ayes: Crump, Zumbach, Stout, Smith, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried. The hearing was closed at 6:27 pm.

Motion by Capron to approve Resolution 2020-28 amending the current budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, second by Zumbach. Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Smith, Crump, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Crump, second by Smith to approve a professional services agreement with HR Green Engineering for a Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan for the Water Department. Andrew Marsh of HR Green gave an overview of the assessment and deadline for its submission. Ayes: Crump, Zumbach, Stout, Smith, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Capron to move forward with Option A and sign a lease agreement with Keltek Inc. for a 2020 Dodge Durango Patrol Vehicle and related equipment with FY 2021 cost of \$21,223.07. Costs for the next 4 years will be \$13,094.33. The lease includes maintenance and repairs. Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Smith, Crump, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Zumbach, second by Capron to approve a lease agreement with Digital Ally FOR car camera equipment with FY 2021 cost of \$4,215.00. This lease will be for camera equipment for all four cars. Ayes: Stout, Smith, Crump, Zumbach, Capron, and Machart. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Crump to approve Resolution 2020-29 hiring and setting salaries of seasonal part time employees for the Parks and Recreation Department for the 2020 Summer Season. Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Smith, Crump, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Capron, second by Zumbach to approve a Resolution authorizing new street lights in the Meadow Ridge 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Additions. Motion and second were withdrawn after further discussion. Motion by Crump, second by Stout to table the Resolution until the next meeting. Ayes: Smith, Zumbach, Stout, Capron, and Crump. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Capron, second by Crump to uphold the removal order for an aggressive dog determination for a dog owned by Josh Cudahy. Josh Cudahy and Valarie Yeisley spoke to appeal the decision. The Mayor read the City Code pertaining to the decision. Ayes: Capron, Smith, Crump, Zumbach, and Stout. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Crump to approve the Liquor License Renewal for Casey's Store #2908, Second by Capron. Ayes: Crump, Zumbach, Stout, Smith, and Capron. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Motion by Crump to approve the current bills, second by Stout. The Mayor is requesting detailed invoices for IPI and VWR Furniture for information only, not to delay payment. Roll Vote: Ayes: Zumbach, Stout, Capron, Smith, and Crump. Nays: none. Motion carried.

City Administrators Report: Sheridan reported that Jones County has fared well during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Limited reopening will begin on June 1, 2020. City Hall will continue to take appointments and have payments placed in the drop box. The Old Dubuque road project is moving forward. The City's new website will be launched as soon as content has been finished being loaded.

Mayor and Council Reports: The Mayor reported that more information on the Old Dubuque Rd project will be released when available. Smith reported that the Library Board met and discussed protocols and opening June 1st. Zumbach reported that Senior Dining is delivering and is not open for dine-in.

Public with business with the council on items not on the agenda: Jim Henson stated that he will get back with the Mayor regarding the invoices in question.

Motion by Crump to adjourn, second by Stout to adjourn. Ayes: Capron, Smith, Stout, Zumbach, and Crump. Nays: none. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

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Rod Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Beth Brincks, City Clerk