

The City of Lake Forest
CITY COUNCIL
Proceedings of the Monday, February 4, 2019
City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Honorable Mayor Lansing called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, and the City Clerk, Margaret Boyer called the roll of Council members.

Present: Honorable Mayor Lansing, Alderman Beidler, Alderman Morris, Alderman Newman, Alderman Rummel, Alderman Reisenberg, Alderman Preschlack, Alderman Moreno and Alderman Buschmann.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all those present in the Chamber.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

1. ELECTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPOINTMENT BY THE MAYOR AS REQUIRED BY CHARTER AND CITY CODE

City Supervisor Jason C. Wicha

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve the Mayor's Appointment

Alderman Reisenberg made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment, seconded by Alderman Beidler. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR

A. Mayor's welcome to new City Manager

Mayor Lansing welcomed Mr. Wicha on behalf of the community and the City Council.

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

A. Snow Operations Report

- Michael Thomas- Director of Public Works

City Manager Jason Wicha introduced Director of Public Works Michael Thomas. Mr. Thomas reported on the recent snow/ice events that included priorities, snow data and a review of the City's salting policy.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Consideration of an Ordinance approving a Fee Schedule and an Ordinance amending the City's Home Rule Sales Tax Rate from .5% to 1.0% (Final Approval)

Finance Committee Chairman James Morris recommended since there are no changes or modifications to either of these items, to move to vote on this item as it has been seen three times previously by the City Council.

The City Council asked if there was any other comments than from the Lake Forest Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce, and there were none.

Mayor Lansing asked if there was anyone from the public who wanted to comment on this item. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

COUNCIL ACTION: Grant final approval of the proposed ordinances.

Alderman Morris made a motion to grant final approval of the proposed ordinances, seconded by Alderman Preschlack. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Richard Sugar offered his opinion to the City Council regarding pop-up businesses at the Telegraph Road Train Station and safety in the proposed pedestrian underpass. Mayor Lansing replied that proposed underpass is entirely different from the closed underpass at the Western Avenue Train Station and reported there will be a number of public meetings on the underpass.

ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION

1. **Approval of the January 22, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes**
2. **Approval of the Check Register for January 12 – 25, 2019**
3. **Approval of an Audit Committee Recommendation to Award a Two-Year Extension of the City's Contract with Baker Tilly Virchow Krause LLP to Provide Audit Services**
4. **Approval of the purchase of semi-ruggedized computers for Police Department use as budgeted in FY2019**
5. **Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Historic Preservation Commission. (First Reading and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**
6. **Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Zoning Board of Appeals. (First Reading, and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**
7. **Consideration of an Ordinance Approving a Recommendation from the Building Review Board. (First Reading and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)**
8. **Approval of a Cemetery Commission recommendation to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Berglund Construction Company for restoration services for the historic Barrell Memorial Gateway at the Lake Forest Cemetery, for an amount not to exceed \$260,000.**

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the eight (8) Omnibus items as presented

Mayor Lansing asked members of the Council if they would like to remove any item or take it separately.

The City Council had discussion on items # 2. Mayor Lansing again asked members of the Council if they would like to remove any item or take it separately.

Seeing none, Mayor Lansing asked for a motion to approve the eight (8) Omnibus items as presented.

Alderman Preschlack made a motion to approve the eight (8) Omnibus items as presented, seconded by Alderman Buschmann. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

Information such as Purpose and Action Requested, Background/Discussion, Budget/Fiscal Impact, Recommended Action and a Staff Contact as it relates to the Omnibus items can be found on the agenda.

ORDINANCES

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consideration of Approvals Related to Community Events Proposed at the West Train Station at 911 Telegraph Road

Mike Strong, Assistant to the City Manager, gave a brief overview of the three proposed events noting they are consistent with the City's Special Event Policy. He also stated that staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to waive applicable permit and inspection fees.

The City Council had discussion on insurance requirements and promotion of the events.

Mayor Lansing asked if there was anyone from the public who wanted to comment on this item. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

COUNCIL ACTION: If determined to be appropriate by the City Council:

- 1. Approve a Class "A" Special Event Permit for community events to be held on February 24, March 10, and April 14, 2019 at the Telegraph Road Train Station, subject to any conditions of permit approval.**

AND

- 2. Authorize the City Manager to waive all associated permit and inspection fees for the events on February 24 and March 10, 2019 in a total amount not to exceed \$500.00 unless otherwise authorized by future Council action.**

Alderman Preschlack made a motion to approve a Class "A" Special Event Permit for community events to be held on February 24, March 10, and April 14, 2019 at the Telegraph Road Train Station, subject to any conditions of permit approval and Authorize the City Manager to waive all associated permit and inspection fees for the events on February 24 and March 10, 2019 in a total amount not to exceed \$500.00 unless otherwise authorized by future Council action, seconded by Alderman Buschmann. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Beidler, Morris, Newman, Rummel, Reisenberg, Preschlack, Moreno and Buschmann. The following voted "Nay": None. 8- Ayes, 0 Nays, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION/COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS
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- 1. Welcome remarks for New City Manager Jason Wicha from City Council Members**

Each Alderman and the Mayor offered welcome comments to Mr. Wicha as the incoming City Manager.

2. Invitation to join the City Council for Cake and Coffee immediately following the City Council meeting

Mayor Lansing invited all to join the Council immediately following the meeting for cake and fellowship.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Lansing asked for a motion. Alderman Beidler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Rummel. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Margaret Boyer, City Clerk

A video of the City Council meeting is available for viewing at the Lake Forest Library and on file in the Clerk's office at City Hall. You can also view it on the website by visiting www.cityoflakeforest.com. Click on I Want To, then click on View, then choose Archived Meetings Videos.