

COMMON COUNCIL
January 3, 2023

A meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Ward. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call: Bacon, Statz, Williams, Gustafson, Nault, Wiederanders and Reeths were present.

Williams/Gustafson to adopt the amended agenda moving item #5 to #6a. Carried.

Fire Chief Dietman and Mayor Ward presented a retirement plaque to Todd Floor for his 26.5 years of service as a part time firefighter.

Chris Kellems, 120 Alabama Street and Laurel Hauser, 746 Kentucky Street spoke during public comment.

Bacon/Wiederanders to approve following bills: General Fund – \$137,234.09, Capital Fund - \$16,523.28, and Cable TV - \$5,442.38 for a grand total of \$159,199.75. Roll call: All voted aye. Carried.

Nault/Reeths to approve consent agenda:

- a. Approval of 12/20/22 regular Common Council minutes.
- b. Place the following minutes on file:
 - (1) Zoning Board of Appeals – 12/13/22
 - (2) Finance/Purchasing & Building Committee – 12/13/22
 - (3) Aesthetic Design & Site Plan Review Board – 12/19/22
 - (4) Board of Public Works – 12/20/22
- c. City Plan Commission recommendation re: Approve zoning map amendment from General Commercial (C-1) to Mixed Residential-Commercial (C-5) for parcel 281-66-13000101B located at 835 S. Duluth Ave owned by 911 Green Bay Road Partners, LLC.

Carried.

There were no mayoral appointments.

Municipal Services Superintendent Barker introduced resolution to increase tree planting deposit and marina slip fees. Williams/Gustafson to adopt resolution. Carried.

Community Development Director Olejniczak introduced rezoning ordinance. Statz/Nault to read in title only the first reading of ordinance re: rezone parcel 281-66-13000101B at 835 South Duluth Avenue from General Commercial (C-1) to Mixed Residential-Commercial (C-5). Carried.

RECOMMENDATION

We, the Finance/Purchasing & Building Committee, hereby recommend to approve the purchase of two 2023 Chevy Tahoe Special Service vehicle squads from Ewald Automotive Group and approve the transfer of \$25,000 from capital budget line 10-250-000-59060 Fire Department Unit 8 replacement to 10-215-000-59036 Police Department Squad cars for the purchase and outfitting of the two vehicles.

FINANCE/PURCHASING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

By: Helen Bacon, Chr.

Assistant Police Chief Brinkman introduced. Jim Olson Ford would not be submitting bids, as they still need to fill 2021 orders. Ford is no longer offering Fleet discounts/concessions and they are sold out for the 2023 model year. Two Special Service Vehicles were secured from Ewald with signed quote. Bacon/Wiederanders to approve. Carried.

RECOMMENDATION

We, the City Plan Commission, hereby recommend to amend the dimensional requirements of Section 20.27(2) of the Municipal Code (Zoning Code) relating to lot size, density, yards, and floor area for the specific zoning districts as presented.

CITY PLAN COMMISSION

By: David Ward, Chr.

Olejniczak introduced. In reducing the standards, it would allow slightly greater number of units for large areas of land. If approved, a public hearing will be held at the first Common Council meeting in February. Statz/Reeths to approve. Carried.

RECOMMENDATION

We, the Finance/Purchasing & Building Committee, hereby recommend to approve listing the West Waterfront park area as a potential NERR headquarters site.

FINANCE/PURCHASING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

By: Helen Bacon, Chr.

Mayor Ward introduced. Nault/Gustafson to approve. Council Members agree this would be a good potential NERR headquarters site. Carried.

City Administrator VanLieshout gave his report.

Mayor Ward gave his report.

Nault/Williams to adjourn. Carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie A. Spittlemeister
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer