



CITY OF PELLA

CITY COUNCIL PRELIMINARY SUMMARY MINUTES

March 2, 2021

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A. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR AND ROLL CALL

The City Council of the City of Pella, Iowa, met in regular session at the Public Safety Complex (614 Main Street) at 6:00 p.m., Mayor Don DeWaard presiding. Council members present were: Mark De Jong, Liz Sporrer, Lynn Branderhorst, Calvin Bandstra, Bruce Schiebout, Dave Hopkins. Absent: None.

City Administrator Mike Nardini, City Clerk Mandy Smith, and six additional staff members were present in person. Due to heightened public health risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was broadcast via conference call. One staff member and thirteen members of the general public attended the conference call.

B. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

1. Announce no Policy and Planning meeting will follow the regular Council meeting.
2. Approval of Tentative Agenda.
Bandstra moved to approve, seconded by Sporrer.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
3. Appointment of Kristi Kious to the Board of Adjustment.
Branderhorst moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
4. Appointment of Christi Vander Voort to the Community Development Committee.
Bandstra moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
5. Announce closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 388.9(1) to discuss marketing and pricing strategies or proprietary information of a city utility if its competitive position would be harmed by public disclosure not required of potential or actual competitors, and if no public purpose would be served by such disclosure.

***PUBLIC FORUM (for anyone wishing to address Council regarding agenda items)**

No comments were received.

C. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

De Jong moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Branderhorst.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

The following items were approved:

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Official Council Minutes for February 15, 2021
 - b. Official Council Minutes for February 16, 2021
2. Report of Committees
 - a. Community Services Board Minutes for January 15, 2021
 - b. Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes for January 25, 2021

D. *PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1a. Public Hearing regarding the Fiscal Year 2022 Maximum Property Tax Dollars.

No written or oral comments were received.

De Jong moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Hopkins.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

1b. Resolution No. 6247 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING FISCAL YEAR 2022 MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX DOLLARS."

Schiebout moved to approve, seconded by De Jong.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2a. Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Lely Urban Renewal Plan.

No written or oral comments were received.

De Jong moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Branderhorst.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

2b. Resolution No. 6248 entitled, "RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE CITY TO BE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AREA, AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION, REDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT, OR A COMBINATION THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; DESIGNATING SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE LELY URBAN RENEWAL PLAN."

Schiebout moved to approve, seconded by De Jong.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

3a. Public Hearing on the Kiwanis Park Phase I Site Improvements Project Bids.

No written comments were received.

Oral comments were received in support of awarding alternate 1 to provide six additional parking spaces. Fred Kreykes, Wonder Spelen representative, requested placement of signage in the parking spaces recommending the spots are for use by playground users. Kreykes expressed understanding that the parking cannot be legally enforced should patrons utilizing other features of Kiwanis Park use these parking spaces.

De Jong moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Hopkins.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

3b. Resolution No. 6249 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, ESTIMATE OF COSTS, RECEIVING OF BIDS, AND MAKING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE KIWANIS PARK PHASE I SITE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT."

Branderhorst moved to approve the resolution as amended, awarding the base bid, alternate 1, and alternate 2 in the total amount of \$1,182,072.25, seconded by Schiebout.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

E. PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

1a. Special Event Permit Request for Drive-In Story Time at the Pella Public Library.

Hopkins moved to approve, seconded by Bandstra.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

1b. Resolution No. 6250 entitled, "RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY CLOSING PUBLIC WAYS OR GROUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH A SPECIAL EVENT KNOWN AS DRIVE-IN STORY TIME."

De Jong moved to approve, seconded by Sporrer.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

F. PLANNING & ZONING ITEMS – None

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Requesting Council to set the Public Hearing for Approval of the FY 21-22 Annual Budget.

Schiebout moved to set the public hearing date for this item as March 16, 2021, seconded by Hopkins.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

H. RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 6251 entitled, "RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$2,300,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION URBAN RENEWAL CAPITAL LOAN NOTES OF THE CITY OF PELLA, STATE OF IOWA (FOR ESSENTIAL CORPORATE URBAN RENEWAL PURPOSES), AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF."
Bandstra moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
2. Resolution No. 6252 entitled, "RESOLUTION FIXING DATE FOR A MEETING ON THE AUTHORIZATION OF A LOAN AGREEMENT AND THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,900,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL LOAN NOTES OF THE CITY OF PELLA, STATE OF IOWA (FOR ESSENTIAL CORPORATE PURPOSES), AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE THEREOF."
Hopkins moved to approve, seconded by De Jong.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
3. Resolution No. 6253 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, FORM OF CONTRACT, NOTICE OF HEARING AND NOTICE OF LETTING, SETTING DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING, AUTHORIZING THE TAKING OF BIDS, AND AUTHORIZING BID OPENING FOR THE 218TH AVENUE AND NEIL DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT."
Hopkins moved to approve, seconded by De Jong.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
4. Resolution No. 6254 entitled, "RESOLUTION OF THE PELLA CITY COUNCIL APPROVING FINAL PLAT."
Branderhorst moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
5. Resolution No. 6255 entitled, "RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR PRAIRIE RIDGE PLAT 2."
De Jong moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
6. Resolution No. 6256 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF ENTITLEMENTS FROM PELLA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TO SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL AIRPORT."
Schiebout moved to approve, seconded by De Jong.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.
7. Resolution No. 6257 entitled, "RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 2021-R-006 WITH THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A REVITALIZE IOWA'S SOUND ECONOMY (RISE) PROGRAM PROJECT."
Bandstra moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

I. ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 989 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF PELLA, IOWA CHAPTER 65.01, STOP INTERSECTIONS."
De Jong moved to place ordinance no. 989 on its first reading, seconded by Sporrer.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Bandstra that the statutory rule requiring said ordinance to be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be finally passed be suspended, seconded by Hopkins.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Branderhorst moved that ordinance no. 989 be adopted, seconded by De Jong.
On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Mayor DeWaard declared the ordinance duly passed and adopted.

I. CLAIMS

1. Abstract of Bills No. 2074.

Branderhorst moved to approve, seconded by Hopkins.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

K. OTHER BUSINESS / *PUBLIC FORUM (any additional comments from the public)

No comments were received.

L. CLOSED SESSION

1. At 7:14 p.m., Branderhorst moved to enter into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Chapter 388.9(1) to discuss marketing and pricing strategies or proprietary information of a city utility if its competitive position would be harmed by public disclosure not required of potential or actual competitors, and if no public purpose would be served by such disclosure, seconded by Sporrer.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

At 8:16 p.m., Bandstra moved to reconvene to regular session, seconded by Sporrer.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

No action was taken regarding this closed session.

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business claiming their attention, De Jong moved to adjourn, seconded by Hopkins.

On roll call the vote was: AYES: 6, NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.