

CITY COUNCIL

February 16, 2021

The February 16, 2021 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. via zoom by Aaron Korte, President. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were Kenneth Wessler, Aaron Korte, Marc Mays, Kate Niederkohr, Rick Roberts, Don Spiegel, and John Walker.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the February 1, 2021 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the February 1, 2021 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 1, 2021 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the February 8, 2021 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Mays, to place Ordinance No. 104-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A DC FAST CHARGING STATION AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 104-13 for the first time by title only.

Mr. Mays reported that the subcommittee formed to discuss various options for food trucks met again last week and will be meeting again soon and addressing a list of items from Mr. Buckland, Law Director. It was noted that Mr. Buckland will be drafting legislation for guidelines for food trucks to operate under and this legislation will be presented to City Council soon.

City Council members thanked City employees for their work in removing snow following today's winter snow storm.

City Council members reviewed the credit card statements for January 2021.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Mays, to approve the January 2021 credit card statements, as presented. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

It was noted that Mr. Mark Ratliff's term on the Civil Service Commission expires on March 1, 2021 and he has indicated that he is willing to be reappointed for a six year term.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the reappointment of Mr. Mark Ratliff to the Civil Service Commission. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes.

Mayor McColly expressed his appreciation to City employees for snow removal, and noted that there are several departments who participate in snow removal throughout the City. Mayor McColly also thanked the sanitation employees for picking up garbage and recycling today during the inclement weather.

Mayor McColly congratulated Mr. Dave Westbrook, Zoning Inspector, who began working for the City in 1982 and will be retiring on Friday, February 26, 2021. Mayor McColly expressed his appreciation for everything Mr. Westbrook has done for the City. City Council members requested Mr. Westbrook be invited to the next City Council meeting.

Mr. Buckland thanked Mr. Westbrook for his service and his knowledge of the City.

Mr. Buckland reported that he has been working with the food truck subcommittee and he is expecting to draft legislation soon for guidelines for the operation of food trucks.

Mr. Korte thanked everyone for their flexibility in moving this meeting to an all zoom format due to today's inclement weather.

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Aaron Korte, President