

CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 4 2019
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on November 4, 2019, with Mayor Mike Rawlings presiding. Council present were Eric Birk, Cale Magruder, Jamie Crum Bob Bailey, Tom Leffler, Kip Richardson and Ron Reavis. Councilwoman Felicia Martindale was absent. Also present: City Attorney Austin Parker, City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims, Director of Public Safety Bob Sage and City Clerk Erica Jones. Staff Present: Susan Smith, Susie Geiger, Major Ray Marbut, Lieutenant Tim Follis and Sergeant Jeremy Johnston. Visitors present were: Jayme Chapin, Connie Thurman, Mark McCollom and Doug Marr.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer: Councilman and Pastor Magruder gave the invocation.

Minutes: Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2019 Council meeting. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance: Reavis made a motion to approve Ordinance 10B dated 10/30/2019. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Visitors:

Excellence in Public Service – Recognition of Public Safety Officers for Excellent Public Service: Certificates of Recognition were awarded to Major Ray Marbut, Lieutenant Tim Follis and Sergeant Jeremy Johnston for going above and beyond their daily duties to help others in need.

Business:

Final Plat and Zoning District Reclassification for Lot 1 Block 1 of the Northridge Subdivision in the Growth Area: Richardson made a motion to approve the Final Replat of Lot 1, Block 1 of the Northridge Subdivision. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Richardson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2156 changing the Zoning Classification from A-Assembly to R-6A Rural Residential for a property located in the replat of Lot 1, Block 1 of the Northridge Subdivision. Crum seconded the motion. Birk Yes, Magruder Yes, Bailey Yes, Crum Yes, Richardson Yes, Leffler Yes, Reavis Yes, Martindale Yes. Motion carries.

Bid Award for the Community Hangar Drive Reconstruction Project (KDOT Project No. AV-2020-04) at the Augusta Municipal Airport: Leffler made a motion to approve the low bid for the Community Hangar Drive Reconstruction Project submitted by Vogts-Parga Construction, LLC in the amount of \$33,544. Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Leffler made a motion to authorize staff to execute a change order with Vogts Parga to maximize the grant funding. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Scope of Services Agreement with Schwab-Eaton, P.A. for Civil Engineering Services for Improvements to Santa Fe Lake Dam and Spillway: Crum made a motion to approve the Scope of Services Agreement with Schwab-Eaton, P.A. for Civil Engineering Services for Improvements to Santa Fe Lake Dam and Spillway in the amount of \$115,400 for the rehabilitation of the Ogee Weir Spillway. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried with Birk, Magruder and Reavis voting in opposition.

2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan: Council discussed and provided direction regarding the Proposed 2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Recommendations were to change the eligibility date to those constructed prior to 1990 and to extend the Downtown Main Street Commercial to 10 years with no cap on the amount.

Crum made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-20 setting the time and place to conduct a public hearing for the proposed 2020 Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

City Manager: KDOT put out today that they are making the cost share announcements tomorrow, so he will keep the Council up to date on whether or not our Ohio Project was chosen.

Shaw stated that the League of Kansas Municipalities is hosting a regional supper at the Frisco Depot this Wednesday.

Shaw stated that staff needs clarity on what subjects the Council wants to discuss at the code enforcement work session and asked for the work session to be rescheduled so staff has time to prepare the requested information. Birk stated we need to have strategies to address blight. Crum asked if we put a hold on parking in the yards for vehicles and RV's. Sage stated that they still address complaints and are working on the education piece of that. However, if the property owner does not correct the situation they will be cited. He stated that there have been two tickets written to date. Shaw stated that it is complaint driven only. Crum stated that the parking and storage units need to be addressed. Magruder stated he is looking for overall strategies in addition to the enforcement piece to address blight. He said he wants staff to identify what other things could be done, such as education, working with community partners, etc. Crum asked if holiday decorations are addressed. Crum asked Sage what he thought would be important to address. Sage stated that the parking in yards needs to be addressed as well as Dangerous Dogs. Rawlings asked Sage to be thinking about that and putting it into writing. Crum made a motion to postpone the Work Session scheduled for 6 p.m. on Tuesday November 12 to discuss Code Enforcement to a date determined at a later time. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Richardson: Richardson stated that he was looking on Facebook and saw that the City of Derby is having a Christmas Tree lighting. He asked if we could have a city sponsored Christmas Tree lighting on November 30 to coincide with Small Business Saturday. He said we could ask local vendors to provide cookies, sing Christmas carols and the Mayor could light the tree. Richardson stated he spoke to Jayme Chapin with DAI to see if they and possibly the Chamber could help with the program. Council consensus was to move forward with this. Shaw stated he would speak to DAI and Chamber about working together on the event.

Rawlings : Rawlings reminded everyone that the polls are open tomorrow and to get out and vote. Rawlings asked the Council to consider our Christmas decorations during the next year's budget discussion. He stated that the Christmas Tree could be added on to.

Richardson: Richardson congratulated the Middle School and High School sports teams on their achievements.

Crum: Crum thanked DAI for Trick or Treat Street and the Chili Cook-off

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Adjourn: At 8:18 p.m., Crum made a motion to adjourn. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

City Clerk