

CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 15, 2020
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in a regular session on June 15, 2020, with Mayor Mike Rawlings presiding. Council present were Eric Birk, Cale Magruder, Jamie Crum, Mike Huddleston, Kip Richardson, Tom Leffler, Ron Reavis and Bill Slade. Also present: City Attorney Austin Parker, City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Clerk Erica Jones. Staff Present: Director of Public Safety Bob Sage, Troy Snow, Susan Smith and Susie Geiger. Visitors Present: Dustin Avey, John Fletcher, Linda McBride and Mike Stump.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer: Pastor and Councilman Cale Magruder gave the invocation.

Minutes: Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2020 Council meeting and June 8, 2020 Budget Work Session #1. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance: Reavis made a motion to approve Ordinance 6 dated 6/10/2020. Slade seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Visitors:

John Fletcher was present to request use of City facilities and services for the Sunflower Cycling Gravel Circuit Race 2020 event on August 22, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Shryock Park. Magruder made a motion to approve the request from John Fletcher to use City facilities and services for the Sunflower Cycling Gravel Circuit Race 2020 event on August 22, 2020 from 7:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Shryock Park. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Linda McBride, 510 Country Lane Drive, was present to speak to the Council about a Loud Noise Ordinance for the City of Augusta. Council consensus was to have Safety work on contacting the property owner and responding to the calls and handle it as disorderly conduct if not addressed and refer to the City Prosecutor for further action.

Business:

Mayoral Appointment to the Augusta Public Library: Crum made a motion to approve the Library Board's recommendation to appoint Mike Cannady to the Augusta Public Library Board for a four-year term beginning June 15, 2020. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Approval of Bid with Lowest Net Interest Cost; Resolution No. 2020-10 Authorizing and Directing the Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of General Obligation Temporary Notes Series 2020-01: Leffler made a motion to approve the bid from Country Club Bank with the lowest net interest rate of 0.84%. Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Magruder made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-10 authorizing And directing the issuance, sale and deliver of General Obligation Temporary Notes, Series 2020-1 of the City of Augusta, Kansas; providing for the levy and collection of an annual tax, if necessary, for the purpose of paying the principal and interest on said notes as they become due; making certain covenants and agreements to provide for the payment and security thereof; and authorizing certain

other documents and actions connected therewith. Slade seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

2020 Street Sales Tax Improvements Contract Award: Crum made a motion to approve the low bid from APAC-KS, Inc. in the amount of \$827,631 for 2020 Street Sales Tax improvements. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Supplemental Services Agreement with Schwab Eaton, P.A. for Construction Observation and Management Services for the 2020 Street Sales Tax Improvement Project: Leffler made a motion to approve the Supplemental Services agreement with Schwab Eaton, P.A. in the amount not to exceed \$36,900 for Construction Observation and Management for the 2020 Street Sales Tax Improvement project. Slade seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Operation of Food Trucks During City 4th of July Fireworks Event: Council discussed the possibility of food vendors operating at City lake during the 4th of July Fireworks event and considered approval of options presented by staff. Crum made a motion to approve the event permits for Smokin' Diner and Funky Monkey Munchies for the 4th of July at City Lake and authorize staff to approve event permits for other food truck vendors that submit an application for the same event that meet the necessary requirements. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried with Richardson voting in opposition.

New Enhanced Cereal Malt Beverage License Application: Crum made a motion to approve a new Cereal Malt Beverage (CMB) for consumption on the premises for Augusta Hotel, LLC (dba Comfort Inn & Suites) located at 301 W 7th Avenue. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried with Magruder voting in opposition.

Discussion/Direction Regarding Plan to Discontinue Residential and Commercial Recycling Services: Reavis made a motion to allow citizens to keep their recycling cart and use for regular trash at no additional charge. Motion died from lack of a second. Council provided direction to staff to bring back an ordinance and fee schedule to finalize at the next Council meeting.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

Mayor Rawlings: Leffler made a motion to schedule Budget Work Session #2 for Monday, June 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at Augusta City Hall. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Shaw: Discussion/Direction on remaining funds for CDBG Small Business Relief Program. Consensus was to continue with the current program and not to change the rules, and to direct staff to reach out to the businesses that initially did not qualify but could now.

Discussion/Direction on Splash Pad operations. Shaw stated the one construction issue related to the Wastewater Clarifier has been complete, but that there is an issue with the ability of water we are able to maintain in the Arnold tower due to pump issues with the Ewalt Pump Station. Shaw stated that the Splash Pad pulls water from the Arnold tower and we are only able to maintain about a 50% capacity in the tower which could reduce water pressure for those using the Arnold Tower. He stated there is a 6 to 8-week lead time to get the parts to make the pump station fully operational. Shaw stated staff would recommend, at a minimum, reducing Splash Pad hours from 12-6 p.m. to mirror swimming pool until the pumps are repaired. He stated the risk is that we are entering the hottest part of the season that leads to our highest usage days. He stated if the Splash Pad is turned on the pump does not get worse but the pressure and fire response could be impacted. Leffler stated he was not in favor of opening the Splash Pad and risking the pressure issues and fire suppression issues at least until the repairs are made. Leffler stated he realized that his recommendation will

not be a popular one, but he feels it is in the best interest of the community. Magruder asked Sage to speak to the fire risk. Sage stated the commercial issues would be more down south. He thought with those minimum pressures that we would still be able to handle an individual residential structure. Shaw stated that even if the Splash Pad was not opened, the pump station could still fail.

Crum made to open the splash pad from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. every day until the pump issues have been repaired. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried with Magruder, Leffler and Slade voting in opposition.

Huddleston: Huddleston stated that the event application for the car show states that they want to close streets from 7th Avenue to 3rd Avenue and the alleys. Mayor and Reavis clarified that it is not the alley, but to the alley.

Huddleston asked if block parties are required to provide \$1M in liability insurance. Shaw stated that no they are not because they are different than events. He stated that this is one of the first times they have asked permission and that we have not adopted a formal block party policy. Huddleston inquired about the use of inflatables. Shaw stated inflatables are not allowed on the street. Sage said they requested to use his personal parking lot for some of the activities for kids. He said he also spoke to them to make sure there would be access to emergency vehicles.

Huddleston inquired about the Animal report. Shaw stated that Sims emailed it to the Governing Body on Friday.

Birk: Birk stated there is a pot hole at Harrington and Helen. Magruder stated it will need a full depth repair. Birk thanked city crews for cleaning up after the high winds.

Magruder: Magruder inquired about the Codification being put on the website. Jones stated that she was working with CityCode on the aesthetics and it would be posted soon.

Crum: Crum stated there is a weird giant hole in the ground on Augusta Avenue in the grass and dirt on the North side of the road near the Lake road. Shaw stated he would have staff take a look at it.

Adjourn: At 9:44 p.m., Slade a motion to adjourn. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

City Clerk