

CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 17, 2020
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in a regular session on August 17, 2020, with Mayor Mike Rawlings presiding. Council present were Eric Birk, Jamie Crum, Kip Richardson, Tom Leffler, Ron Reavis and Bill Slade. Councilmen Mike Huddleston and Cale Magruder were absent. Also present: City Attorney Austin Parker, City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Clerk Erica Jones. Staff Present: Anthony Craft, Susan Smith and Susie Geiger. Visitors Present: Jayme Chapin, Pastor Paul Andrews, Mike Stump, Josh Huelskamp and Josh Maska.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer: Pastor Paul Andrews, Freedom Church, gave the invocation.

Minutes: Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2020 Council meeting and August 10, 2020 Special Meeting. Slade seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Appropriation Ordinance: Crum made a motion to approve Ordinance 8 dated 8/5/2020. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Visitors:

Jayme Chapin, representing Downtown Augusta Inc. (DAI), was present to announce the winners of the 2020 Downtown Adopt-a-Pot Contest. She recognized the following winners Sasha Lawson for 1st place, Jessica Dunegan for 2nd place and Jennifer Eagleson as well as Diane Herian for donating the plants for the remaining pots and Jennifer Eagleson and her children for planting the pots. Crum made a motion to authorize the award of prize checks to Sasha Lawson for 1st place, Jessica Dunegan for 2nd place and Jennifer Eagleson for 3rd place. Slade seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Nick Huelskamp and Josh Maska, representing Augusta Little League Baseball, were present to request use of the Garvin Park Baseball Diamond for a fall league September 7th thru October 25th on Sundays. Reavis made a motion to approve the request from Augusta Little League Baseball to use Garvin Park's Ball Diamonds for a fall league. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition. Richardson stated that the stage has already been approved to be used by Freedom Church on September 13, 2020.

Business:

Resolution No. 2020-16 Authorizing the City to Utilize Cemetery Endowment Funds for the Care and Maintenance of Elmwood Cemetery; Purchase of 2020 Kubota L47TLB-L Backhoe, Land Pride SGC1072 74" Grapple, and a 36" Grave Digger Cemetery Bucket: Richardson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-16 authorizing the use of budgeted funds in the Cemetery Endowment Fund to pay for the costs associated with the purchase of a tractor and appurtenance equipment. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Richardson made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Kubota L47TLB-L Backhoe, Land Pride SGC1072 74" Grapple, and a 36" grave digger cemetery bucket from Wichita Tractor Company in the amount of \$42,182. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Bid Award for Slurry Seal for Money/Lulu Street Maintenance: Leffler made a motion to approve a proposal provided by South Central Sealing & Paving in the amount of \$63,327.16 for slurry seal street maintenance on Money and Lulu Street from 7th Avenue to Kelly Avenue. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

City Manager Shaw: Shaw stated that the Ad Hoc committee put together the guidelines for the CDBG grants and the information has been sent out and the applications are due the first week in September. Shaw recommended the Council consider planning a joint planning meeting between the Planning Commission and the Council on August 31st at 6 p.m.. Reavis made a motion to schedule a joint planning meeting between the Council and Planning Commission for August 31st at 6 p.m. Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Discussion of Frisco Shops front sidewalk plan for construction. Shaw stated that at a previous meeting we discussed a plan to coordinate construction of the front sidewalk with the contractor doing the construction on the building. Shaw stated that staff asked for an estimate from the contractor for the sidewalk construction and it was in the \$15,000 plus range from McCollom Construction. He stated that staff requested additional quotes from other contractors and they were in the \$12,000-\$13,000 range. Shaw stated that thickness of the concrete could be increased by 6 inches and it would still cost less than the quote from McCollom Construction. Shaw stated that due diligence would show that we should lean to work with the contractor that provided the lower bid. Sims stated he reached out to Kris with Vogts-Parga and he recommended we limit the irregular panel design and make the panel sizes similar to what we already have down State Street, including the bricks pavers, and increase the concrete base to 6 inches and that it would increase the life by 5 years. Sims stated the quote from Vogts-Parga was \$12,485 and to increase from 4 inches to 6 inches of concrete would add \$1,685 for a total quote of \$14,170. He stated Rock Concrete also provided an estimate for us with the similar panel size and layout in the amount of \$12,975 and to increase from 4 inches to 6 inches of concrete would add \$1,100 for a total of \$14,075. McCollom Construction estimate was \$15,840 based off the original drawing and providing for 4 inches of concrete. Leffler made a motion to approve the low bid based on square footage based on staff's evaluation of the bids to compare them equitably. Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Assistant City Manager: Sims presented information regarding a drainage problem in the Knebler Addition. City Engineer, Mike Stump, addressed the governing body and stated we could install inlets in the area, but that area is flat and will still continue to accumulate water so it will slowly drain. He stated not installing the inlets allows the water to flow at a faster rate and flush the curbs out. Stump stated that the inlets will cause the curb and gutter to accumulate debris and grass clippings which would further slow the drain of water at the "eyebrow" and that drainage of the inlets will be dictated by the level of the pond and the drainage to the City Lake. Slade stated he heard of another area where there are drainage issues by Taylor. Stump said they are continuing to shoot the grade and fix those low spots. Leffler inquired about the millings being removed as a result of the project. Stump stated he instructed the contractor to bring them to the City street yard but to check with the City first to see if they want them delivered somewhere else. Consensus from the governing body was to leave the plans for the Knebler Addition as they are and not make any changes.

Crum: Crum asked for an update on the Skate Park. Shaw stated there is not an update because of the COVID situation in California. He stated he would reach out to them again.

Executive Session:

At 7:50 p.m. Richardson made a motion to recess into executive session for 30 minutes for preliminary discussions of the acquisition of real property for public works facilities and airport facilities pursuant to the preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real property exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(6). Richardson asked that City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Attorney Austin Parker join the Council in executive session. The open meeting of the governing body will reconvene in the Council Chambers at 8:20 p.m. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

At 8:20 p.m. Richardson made a motion to exit executive session where no action was taken. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Richardson to authorize city staff and the city attorney to file a petition for eviction and terminate the lease with Schreib Air and to commence other eviction related paperwork. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Adjourn: At 8:21 p.m., Reavis made a motion to adjourn. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

City Clerk