

## MINUTES

The Rogers City Council met in *regular session* in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman City Hall Building on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 6:44 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines. There was no Invocation.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

There were no comments from anyone in the audience.

The Public Forum was declared closed.

### **COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mark Kruger, Betsy Reithemeyer, Gary Townzen, Marge Wolf, Clay Kendall, Jerry Carmichael, Barney Hayes, and Mandy Brashear were present.

### **OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Staff Attorney John Pesek, Director of Community Development John McCurdy, Fire Chief Tom Jenkins, Water Utilities Superintendent Brent Dobler, Water Utilities Jennifer Lattin, City Planner Ethan Hunter, and Records Administrator Jennifer Moore.

**Approves** the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to suspend the rules to consider all items on the agenda on a single reading and by title only.

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***Motion carried.***

**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:**

(Agenda Item #1)

**ORD. #20-25** Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From I-1 To C-4 – Represented by Alfredo Reyes

The ordinance was introduced by Carmichael and read by title only by Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Carmichael, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Director of Community Development John McCurdy.

Staff & Planning Commission approved. No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”  
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”  
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #2)

**RES. R20-24** Authorizing Membership And Participation In The Northwest Arkansas Razorback Greenway Alliance

The resolution was introduced by Brashear and read by title only by Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Brashear, chair of Community Services Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Motion by Hayes, second by Reithemeyer to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #3)

**RES. R20-25** Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Grant Agreement With The Walton Family Foundation; To Receive Up To \$547,000.00; Amending The 2020 Budget To Recognize Grant Funds In The Amount \$547,000.00 Into Account #200-16-45600 Grants And Donations; Appropriating \$733,000.00 To Expense Account #200-16-84530 Railyard Loop Trail From Grant Funds And Street Fund Reserves

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Director of Community Development John McCurdy.

McCurdy reported the Walton Family grant is to be used to assist in funds for Frisco Park reconstruction.

Motion by Brashear, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #4)

**ORD. #20-26** Waiving Competitive Bidding For The Repair Of City Hall Sewer Lines; Allowing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Contract For The Repairs With Trenchless Leak Detection Of Rudy, Arkansas

The ordinance was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Pesek reported the funds are to replace and update city sewer lines. Waiving competitive bidding as the company currently working on the project is very familiar and can get the project done in a timely manner.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”  
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”  
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #5)

**ORD. #20-27** Amending Various Sections Of Chapter 2 Of The City Of Rogers Code Of Ordinances

The ordinance was introduced by Hayes and read by title only by Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Hayes, chair of the Resources & Policy Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Community Development Director John McCurdy.

McCurdy revision to 2-4-26 which governs the Art Commission. Changes include updating voting members to 5 instead of 7 and authorizes oversight of the planning process for art within the city and to provide recommendations to the City Council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”  
Roll call: 7 - Yes/ 1- No ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”  
Roll call: 7 - Yes/ 1- No ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Todd Beaver to the Northwest Arkansas Conservation Authority to replace the position held by Roger Surley.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

None

**ACTION ON MINUTES:**

(March 10, 2020)

Motion by Kruger, second by Townzen to approve the minutes of March 10, 2020 as submitted.

Voice vote: Yes. ***Motion carried.***

There being no further business, motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

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C. Greg Hines, Mayor