

## City Council Proceedings

**AGENDA ITEM:**

**MAY 5, 2014**

1. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of St. Cloud, Minnesota, was held on May 5, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.
2. A Moment of Silence was observed for our men and women serving in the Armed Forces and also to pay respect for former U.S. Rep. Jim Oberstar, who passed away on May 3, 2014.
3. Councilmembers Goerger, Hontos, Johnson, Lewis, Libert and Masters were present. Councilmember Gohman was absent.

Mayor Kleis responded to a recent St. Cloud Times Editorial Board article that stated that the six area mayors and city administrators met in a private meeting to formulate what should be on the November 4<sup>th</sup> referendum regarding the half-cent, local option sales tax. The mayor stated that he would never participate in a closed area mayors' meeting. The City will continue to follow the policy/procedure of issuing news releases and announcements of all public meetings and support the public hearing process.

### **Consent AGENDA:**

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** ACTION TAKEN: Approved with the inclusion of three items under Open Discussion added by Councilmember Hontos.
5. **REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE RIVER'S EDGE CONVENTION CENTER ADVISORY BOARD.** ACTION TAKEN: Confirmed the mayor's reappointment of Patty Gaetz and Dan Barth to their second terms to commence immediately and expire February 28, 2017.
6. **APPLICATION FOR THE TRANSFER OF AN ON-SALE INTOXICATING AND SPECIAL SUNDAY LIQUOR LICENSE FROM LINCOLN DEPOT INC., (MARY ISAACS) DBA LINCOLN DEPOT TO MICHAEL NELSON, DBA LINCOLN DEPOT, 629 LIINCOLN AVE SE.** ACTION TAKEN: A public hearing was set for May 19, 2014.
7. **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A CHARITABLE GAMBLING PREMISES PERMIT FOR THE ST. CLOUD SENIOR MEN'S RUGBY CLUB FOR ACTIVITIES TO BE CONDUCTED AT THE PICKLED LOON, 715 WEST SAINT GERMAIN STREET.** ACTION TAKEN: Resolution adopted and assigned number 2014-5-44.
8. **APPLICATION FROM SUPER SMOKES, INC. FOR A TOBACCO LICENSE FOR A SUPER SMOKES STORE TO BE LOCATED AT 108 EAST ST. GERMAIN STREET.** ACTION TAKEN: Approved.

**9. APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT FOR THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE WHITNEY SENIOR CENTER ROOF.** ACTION TAKEN: Councilmember Hontos pulled this item for separate discussion. Hontos/Lewis moved to approve the contract for emergency repair as presented. Hontos spoke to the Whitney Senior Center as being a regional asset and felt our neighboring communities should contribute funds for the roof repair. After a brief discussion, Hontos moved to amend the motion to include that a formal, written request be sent to each of the joint area cities to request voluntary contributions for the repair. City Attorney Matt Staehling recommended a separate motion be offered, rather than an amendment. Hontos removed his amendment. The original motion to approve the contract unanimously carried. It was then moved by Councilmember Hontos, seconded by Council President Goerger, to have administration send a formal, written letter to the area cities asking for a voluntary contribution to assist in repairs of the Whitney Senior Center roof. The motion unanimously carried.

**10. RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 19, 2014, ON THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE OBLIGATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF THE HEARING (WEDUM ST. CLOUD STUDENT HOUSING, LLC PROJECT).** ACTION TAKEN: Resolution adopted and assigned number 2014-5-45.

**11. ORDINANCE REZONING A 3.2 ACRE PARCEL ON HADRIAN ROAD FROM AG, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT TO C5, HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT. (LOCATION: HADRIAN ROAD) (REZ-2014-04)** ACTION TAKEN: A reading and public hearing was set for May 19, 2014. (Proposed Ordinance 2014-09)

**11A. ADD-ON: ORDINANCE VACATING THE DRAINAGE AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED BETWEEN LOTS 5 AND 6, BLOCK 1, WALDEN WOODS PLAT 3, ST. CLOUD, STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA.** ACTION TAKEN: A reading and public hearing was set for May 19, 2014. (Proposed Ordinance 2014-10).

**11B. ADD-ON: SET A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR JUNE 9, 2014, AT 4:30 P.M. IN CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM #1 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING FOLLOW-UP ACTION ITEMS IDENTIFIED AT THE COUNCIL RETREAT.** ACTION TAKEN: Approved.

**OPEN FORUM:**

NO ONE SPOKE.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

12. **RESOLUTION AMENDING THE STONE GATE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) TO ALLOW A NEIGHBORHOOD SWIMMING POOL AS A PRINCIPAL USE. (LOCATION: 4304 31ST STREET SOUTH) (DPA-2014-01)**

Community Development Director Matt Glaesman gave a brief overview on the amendment request to allow construction of a swimming pool to serve the residents (and guests) of the Stone Gate development. Councilmember Hontos asked whether new information was provided since the documents were reprinted in the Council's packet. Glaesman responded that there were no changes to the documents.

Council President Goerger opened the public hearing. The following individual spoke:

**Chad Carlson, Lumber One Development Company**, 234 Danora Place; (applicant) spoke in support of the request.

There being no one else wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed. It was moved by Councilmember Hontos, seconded by Councilmember Hontos, to adopt the resolution as presented. The motion unanimously carried. The adopted resolution was assigned number 2014-5-46.

13. ~~**ORDINANCE REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED AT 3801 AND 3807 WEST ST. GERMAIN STREET FROM I1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT TO PUD, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT. (REZ-2014-05)**~~ This item was withdrawn by the applicant.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

14. **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO ASSIST WITH THE 2014 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE.**

Community Development Director Matt Glaesman presented an overview regarding the updating of the Comprehensive Plan. The Plan was last updated in 2003. The Planning Commission has budgeted funds from the Development Fund budget for the update. Request for proposals (RFP) were sent in February seeking qualified consulting firms to provide the facilitation and technical services. Four proposals were received and a selection panel reviewed the proposals. The group selected Houseal Lavigne Associates as the preferred consultant for the project. They have an extensive history in similar planning projects throughout the Midwest and received the American Planning Association's National Planning Excellence Award for 2014. The company was also

significantly less costly than the other submitted proposals. It was moved by Councilmember Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Masters, to approve the resolution to authorize the contract for professional services. The motion unanimously carried. The adopted resolution was assigned number 2014-5-47.

**OPEN DISCUSSION & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Councilmember Hontos said he and Councilmember Gohman request to have the Whitney Senior Center roof issue listed as a discussion item on the May 12<sup>th</sup> Study Session agenda. City Administrator Williams concurred and announced that the Study Session will be held at the Whitney Senior Center on Monday evening, May 12, and will conclude with a tour of the facility. Hontos asked that the area cities be contacted soon (before they set their budgets) about contributing towards the cost of the WSC roof.

Councilmember Hontos said he first learned about new City hire Steve Lawrence when he read Sunday's issue of the St. Cloud Times. Public Services Director Pat Shea said that Mr. Lawrence began his employment on March 18, 2014, and replaces recent retiree Gerry Kaeter. Steve Lawrence will serve in the role of St. Cloud Assistant Public Works Director.

Councilmember Hontos referred to City Administrator Mike William's email sent prior to the evening's meeting regarding the special meeting on June 9. Hontos maintained that his focus remains on "firm, fair, and consistent enforcement" and asked to have further discussion on this issue.

Councilmember Lewis gave kudos to both the St. Cloud Symphony Orchestra and Police Chief Blair Anderson for their wonderful concert performances the past weekend.

Mayor Dave Kleis invited the Council and the public to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony at the St. Cloud Regional Airport on Tuesday, May 6, at 12:30 p.m. to highlight United's inaugural non-stop flight from St. Cloud to Chicago O'Hare International Airport.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to discuss, Council President Goerger adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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City Council President Jeff Goerger

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

SANDY HILSGEN, RECORDING COUNCIL SECRETARY

