

CITY OF MUSCATINE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Chambers – 7:00 p.m. –June 6, 2019

Mayor Broderson called the City Council meeting for Thursday, June 6, 2019, to order at 7:00 p.m. Present were: Councilmembers Spread, Brockert, Saucedo, Fitzgerald and Malcolm. Councilmembers Brackett and Harvey were not present.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications-Citizens

Roger Roth Clark House came and spoke about remembering D-Day.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Saucedo, Seconded by Councilmember Spread moved the Consent Agenda be approved as follows:

- Items 6 A: Approval of City Council Minutes
- Items 8 A-O: Petitions and Communications
- Items 12 A-B: Receive and File
- Bills for Approval totaling \$3.217.601.95

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Public Hearing

A. Mayor Broderson stated this public hearing concerns the rezoning of property located along 5th street between Walnut Street and Mulberry Avenue.

There were no comments, oral or written, from citizens regarding this public hearing.

Councilmember Spread moved the public hearing to be closed, seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

B. Mayor Broderson stated this public hearing concerns the proposed 2019 Asphalt Alley Project.

Dean Cole, 1206 Grand Ave. came to share his concerns with the alley between Monroe and Jackson Streets. Mr. Cole stated this alley has been an ongoing problem and would like City Council and Staff to find a solution to improve the conditions of this alley. City Council members asked him to email pictures for their review, and then they would get back with him.

Councilmember Spread moved the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

C. Mayor Broderson stated this public hearing concerns the sale of surplus property located at 500 Mulberry Ave. to Ramiro Vazquez.

There were no comments, oral or written, from citizens regarding this public hearing.

Councilmember Saucedo moved the public hearing be closed, seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item 11A

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2019-0157, amending the zoning ordinance of the City of Muscatine to rezone 1.5 acres along 5th Street between Walnut Street and Mulberry Ave. to C-2 Central Commercial. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

There were questions from City Council regarding what type of structures was going to be built at this location that were addressed by Assistant Community Development Director Andrew Fangman.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11B

Councilmember Saucedo moved to adopt Ordinance #2019-0123 on third and final reading and to direct for its publication as required by law. This Ordinance amends Title 3 Public Ways and Property, Chapter 5 Public Parks, Section 10, Subsection N extending the portion of the Riverfront in which alcohol is permitted at special events approved by City Council. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11C

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2019-0158, amending Title 7, Vehicles and Traffic, Chapter 5, Automated Traffic Enforcement, to clarify that ATE speed violations are not limited to marked intersections. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

There were questions from City Council that were addressed by City Administrator Gregg Mandsager.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11D

Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2019-0159 adding Title 8 Building Regulations, Chapter 11 Private Wells to the Muscatine City Code. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald.

There were questions from City Council regarding financial assistance for residence having to replace wells and grandfathering of existing wells that were addressed by City Administrator Mandsager.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11E

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2019-0160, amending Title 8 Building regulations, Chapter 1 Building Codes, by adding subsection C Storm Shelters. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

There were questions from City Council that were addressed by Community Development Director Jodi Royal-Goodwin.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11F

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2019-0161, Amending Title 9 Health and Sanitary Regulations, Chapter 3 Nuisance, by adding Section 15 Adoption of Iowa Code 657A. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

There were questions from City Council that were addressed by City Administrator Mandsager.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11G

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0162, approving plans, specifications, form of contract, cost estimate and setting June 20, 2019 for receipt of bids for the 2019 Asphalt Alley Program. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11H

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to adopt resolution #2019-0163, authorizing the sale of City property (500 Mulberry Ave.) to Ramiro Vazquez. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

There were questions from City Council that were addresses by City Administrator Mandsager.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11I

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to adopt resolution #2019-0164, accepting property easements for construction of the Westside Trail. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11J

Councilmember Malcolm moved to adopt resolution #2019-0165, approving a ramp and encroachment easement agreement with Hershey Property LLC at 216 Sycamore Street. Seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11K

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0166 setting a public hearing on June 20, 2019 on the intent to acquire or condemn if necessary, all or a portion of property or an interest in property for street improvements included in the Mississippi Drive Corridor Project. Seconded by Councilmember Spread.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11L

Councilmember Brockert moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0167 approving the completed work for the 2018 PCC Full Depth Patching Project and authorizing final payment. Seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

There were questions from City Council that were addressed by City Administrator Mandsager.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11M

Councilmember moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0168 awarding the 2019 PCC Patching Contract to Heuer Construction. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

There were questions from City Council regarding the locations and timeline for repairs that were addressed by Public Works Director Brian Stineman.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion carried

Item 11N

Councilmember Saucedo moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0169, accepting the warranty deed for property located at 104 Clinton Street. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item 11O

Councilmember Brockert moved to adopt Resolution #2019-0170, setting a public hearing on June 20, 2019 for the Airport Apron and Airport Hangar Construction Project. Seconded by Councilmember Malcolm.

Vote - Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item 11P

Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve Request #2019-0171 for approval of a local access TV/online communications agreement with MCC Video. Seconded by Councilmember Brockert.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item Q

Councilmember Brockert moved to approve Request #2019-0172, to approve a purchase agreement for sale of surplus property parcel #083518225. Seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

Vote – Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item R

Request # 2019-0173, limiting on street parking on West Acre Drive to the even numbered side of the street only. This item was pulled from agenda for further review.

Item S

Councilmember Fitzgerald moved to approve Request #2019-0174, increasing the speed limit on Isett Avenue from US Highway 61 to Blaine Street to 35 MPH. Seconded by Councilmember Saucedo.

There were questions from City Council that were addressed by City Engineer Jim Edgmond and Police Chief Brett Talkington.

Vote - Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item T

Councilmember Saucedo moved to approve Request #2019-0175 for the signing of a tree trimming and removal service contract with Freers & Sons for nuisance abatement. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald.

Vote - Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Item U

Councilmember Spread moved to approve Request #2019-0176 for the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$34,840 to Kone Elevators for elevator upgrades mandated by the state. Seconded by Councilmember Fitzgerald.

There were questions from City Council regarding which elevators were being updated that were addressed by public Works Director Brian Stineman.

Vote - Ayes 5
Nays 0
Motion Carried

Communication-Council Members

Councilmember Fitzgerald had questions regarding obstruction to Park Avenue businesses during the reconstruction Project that were addressed by Public Works Director Brian Stineman.

Mr. Stineman stated staff will be doing the best possible to minimize obstructions to businesses, and stated that Park Avenue would remain open during the construction project.

Councilmember Saucedo had questions regarding the removal of recycling bins at the transfer station. Mr. Stineman addressed these questions stating there is no longer a market for recyclable good and Republic Services is no longer going to provide this service. He stated curbside recycling would not change because there is a contract in place. City Administrator Mandsager stated that after the contract expired the City could put out a new request for proposal for recycling.

Councilmember Saucedo thanked the Muscatine Leadership Group for presenting the Houser Street Parking and Soccer Expansion Project and thanked those that came for the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Councilmember Brockert thanked the Public Works staff for the hard work they continue to do with road repairs, flood control and clean up.

City Administrator Mandsager stated there was a great turnout for ribbon cutting on Houser Street Parking Expansion and heard all positive comments regarding that project as well as other ongoing projects in Muscatine.

Mayor Broderson stated City Counsel had previously inquired about stop signs at the Fulliam-Houser intersection and asked if there had been any development on that issue.

Public Works Director Brian Stineman, Police Chief Brett Talkington, City Engineer Jim Edgmond and Assistant Community Development Director Andrew Fangman all came to respond.

They stated the City Council had asked them to study and come up with options to correct the issues at this intersection and staff did that along with acquiring grant funding to cover the cost. They stated City Council did not approve that project and they feel they next best option for safety and cost would be to leave the intersection as it stands. They stated if City Council wants the traffic committee to look at a specific option, they need to let them know and they will look into it but cannot make recommendations that they as well as the DOT do not feel are safe.

Mayor Broderson has questions regarding safety issues with a hole in front of Creations by Oz on 2nd Street.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor Diana Broderson

Attest:

City Clerk, Gregg Mandsager