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Common Council Minutes

MEETING DATE: December 20, 2022

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The Common Council of the City of Madison, Indiana met in regular session at 5:30 P.M. at City Hall, 101 W. Main St.

Mayor Courtney opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Thevenow, L. Dattilo, J. Bartlett, J. Schafer, Krebs, D. Dattilo (6-0). Chatham was absent from the meeting (excused).

Minutes: Krebs moved to approve December 6th, 2022, minutes, seconded by L. Dattilo. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Presentation of petitions, memorials, remonstrances, introduction of motion & guests: None.

Resolutions or bills:

Resolution no. 2022-44c: Approving Property Acquisition

The City of Madison desires to acquire certain real property as described in Resolution No. 2022-44C. pursuant to the terms of a purchase agreement set forth in Resolution No. 2022-44C. The purchase of the property would total \$15,566.00, which is below the average price of \$19,500.00. The resolution would take effect immediately upon adoption by the Council.

Schafer moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-44C as written, seconded by Krebs.

Roll Call Vote: D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Schafer – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Krebs – Y, Thevenow – N (5-1). Motion Carried.

Reports, recommendations, and other business from standing/select committees of City Council:

Board Appointments: Mayor Courtney introduced five new Board Appointment Recommendations for 2023: HDBR: reappointments of Mike Pittman, Carol Ann Rogers, and Tom Stark; HRC: reappointments of Shirley Kloefer and l'Easha Cornelius.

Bartlett moved to accept reappointments as presented, seconded by D. Dattilo.

Roll Call Vote: D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Schafer – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Krebs – Y, Thevenow – N (5-1). Motion Carried.

Report of city officials: Tony Steinhardt, City of Madison's Economic Development Director, gave the Council a quick update to let them know the city is very focused on the economic development side of business to develop partnerships and relationships. Tony also let everyone know that the Economic Development



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department has an updated website page on the city website that outlines all past and current projects. In August, the department went live with a LinkedIn page and now has about 380 followers. The

Economic Development department is now using software for gathering data called Placer AI. Placer AI is software that tracks and helps organizations understand their client base, their participants, and their customers. Tony also went over some 2022 highlights in redevelopment. Madison is one of 12 cultural districts within the state of Indiana. The city is creating a quality of life and placemaking strategy to bring people to Madison and have people want to stay here. Over 18 small businesses have been added to downtown Madison.

Bills on third reading: None

Recess City Council meeting.

Call to order public hearing re. amending rate ordinance relating to waterworks: Public hearing with regard to Ordinance No. 2022-32 and that is the ordinance amending the rate ordinance that was on second reading later on during the Council meeting. It reflects the mediated agreement that the city was able to obtain with the rural water resellers.

Public comment: Rick Reuss, 1421 Cherokee Court, asked for further explanation on the ordinance and what it was. Joe Jenner described the situation and the ordinance to the public.

Adjourn public hearing.

Reconvene city council meeting:

Bills on second reading:

Ordinance 2022-32: Waterworks Rates Amendment (sponsor J. Bartlett):

Bartlett moved to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded by Schafer. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Roll Call Vote on Third Reading: D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Schafer – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Krebs – Y, Thevenow – Y (6-0).

Ordinance 2022-33: Notice to Taxpayers of Additional Appropriations (sponsor J. Bartlett):

Bartlett moved to suspend the rules and move to the third reading, seconded by Schafer. All in favor, motion carried (6-0).

Roll Call Vote on Third Reading: D. Dattilo – Y, Bartlett – Y, Schafer – Y, L. Dattilo – Y, Krebs – Y, Thevenow – Y (6-0).

Public comment: Rick Reuss, 1421 Cherokee Court, asked Council and the Mayor if they have contingency plans as far as if there is an “illegal alien dump” here in Madison. The mayor addressed Rick’s concerns by mentioning the Mayor’s Office is in communication with the Governor’s office all the time, and that the City has not been made aware of any existing issues.



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Mayor's comments: Mayor Courtney informed council, as well as the public, that there are emergency preparations taking place in regard to the severe winter weather that Madison will be facing. Mayor Courtney reminded everyone to pay attention to warnings and alerts that will be published by the city and any news stations. The mayor had a meeting with Commissioner Lee regarding working together on the utilization of our opioid settlement funds. The Utility Project will have the notice to proceed early next year now that the SRF loan is closed. There are new additions to Christmas lights down on the riverfront, made by Street Department employee, Dave Kidwell. The Street Department has also been busy with testing out the new sidewalk grinder on sidewalks in downtown Madison and has addressed 40-50 trip hazards.

There will be a special meeting Friday, December 30th, 2022.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023 @ 5:30 pm in City Hall.

Adjourn: Thevenow moved to adjourn, seconded by Bartlett. All in favor (6-0).

Attested:

President Pro Tempore,

Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer



MEMORANDUM



TO: Mayor of Madison
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SUBJECT: [Topic]
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Respectfully,
[Signature]

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