

CALL TO ORDER - The Governing Body met for a regular meeting and the following commission members were present in the commission chambers: Mayor Jermaine Wilson, Mayor Pro-Tem Griff Martin and Commissioners Nancy Bauder, Edd Hingula and Camalla Leonhard.

Staff members present: City Manager Paul Kramer, Assistant City Manager Penny Holler, Public Works Director Brian Faust, City Attorney David E. Waters and City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner.

Mayor Wilson asked everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance followed by silent meditation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Consideration of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Commissioner Leonhard moved to accept the minutes from the July 25, 2023 regular meeting. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. Mayor Wilson declared the motion carried 5-0.

Second Consideration Ordinances:

Second Consideration Ordinance No. 8220 Approval of Special Use Permit for Two-Family Dwelling at 500 & 502 Pawnee Street – City Manager Paul Kramer reviewed the Ordinance. There have been no changes since first introduced on July 25, 2023.

Mayor Wilson called the roll and Ordinance No. 8220 was unanimously approved.

Second Consideration Ordinance No. 8221 Approval of Special Use Permit for Two-Family Dwelling at 507 & 509 Pawnee Street – City Manager Paul Kramer reviewed the Ordinance. There have been no changes since first introduced on July 25, 2023.

Mayor Wilson called the roll and Ordinance No. 8221 was unanimously approved.

Public Comment: (*Public comment on non-agenda items or receipt of petitions – limited to 2-3 minutes*) None.

General Items:

Countywide Transportation Study Presentation – Jeff McKerrow from Kimley-Horn and Associates presented the final draft report of the Countywide Transportation Study: Priorities for Progress. Mr. McKerrow reviewed the following:

- Project Approach Recap
- Recap of Engagement
- Consolidated List of Projects

- Prioritization Tool
- Interactive Evaluation Tool
- Action Items
 - o K-5 Improvements
 - o K-7 Interchanges
 - o Leavenworth City Western By-Pass
 - West K-10 Connection with West Tonganoxie By-Pass/Upgrade
 - o Eastern Gateway (This project is not ready to compete for construction dollars)
- Competitive Grants
- Service Transportation Block Grant
- MARC's PSP Program Planning Sustainable Places
- Extensive public, stakeholder, and elected official outreach
- Projects were evaluated based on defined metrics, aligning with scoring criteria from different funding sources and outreach
- Community can now speak with one voice to advocate projects-bringing a stronger position with multi-jurisdictional support
- Information is available online at www.priorities4progress.com

Commissioner Bauder:

- There is a such a need to get to major highways from this area
- Eastern Gateway project is the longest term and most costly
- Asked if there are more details on each of the projects online

Mr. Kramer:

• Each identified project has an Action Step that can be achieved within the next 6 months

Mr. McKerrow:

• There is more detail of each project online at www.priorities4progess.com

Resolutions:

Resolution B-2342 Camp Leavenworth Special Event Street Closure for Possession & Consumption of Alcohol – City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner presented for consideration a resolution allowing for closure of streets during the 2023 Camp Leavenworth festival to allow for the sale, possession and consumption of alcoholic liquor.

Commissioner Bauder moved to approve Resolution B-2342 as presented to close streets for the Camp Leavenworth 2023 Special Event. Commissioner Martin seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. Mayor Wilson declared the motion carried 5-0.

First Consideration Ordinances:

First Consideration Ordinance to Levy Special Assessments for Nuisance Abatement Costs – City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner presented for first consideration an ordinance to levy special assessments for unpaid nuisance abatement costs. The City Code provides the tools for the City to abate nuisances such as mowing, tree removal, lot cleanup, and allows for the addition of administrative charges. The City Code

also provides for the assessment of the City's costs of abatement. Property owners are invoiced for the costs incurred to abate the nuisance and are given 30 days to make payment. In many cases, properties have required multiple abatements. Staff is seeking consensus to place a special assessment ordinance on first consideration in order to recover the City's costs.

There was consensus by the Commission to place on first consideration.

Staff Report:

LV Arts at the Park Event Briefing – City Manager Paul Kramer introduced Michaela Fitzgerald with LV Arts to provide a briefing of the upcoming LV Arts at the Park Event. The following with discussed:

- Mr. Kramer mentioned the City's Comprehensive Plan and how this event fits fundamentals with the Comprehensive Plan
- Event this year is at Stubby Park
- Applied for and received grants and donations to help facilitate the event
- Event is an art innovation and immersive experience
- Organization is both an arts and humanities organization
- Event is August 26th from 10am to 6pm
- Artists will display and sell their work
- Featured artist Angie Pickman will be on display and educating visitors about her work and how it's made
- Artists are from Leavenworth, Ft. Leavenworth, Lawrence, Overbrook, etc., and from all around the State of Kansas
- Live performances and interactive art events throughout the day ending in a colorful jamboree dance party
- American Legion will be providing food for the event
- Discussed the event layout and parking
- This is a free event

Mayor Wilson:

• Do you need anymore volunteers

Ms. Fitzgerald:

• Yes, they can sign up via sign-up genius on our website www.lvarts.info

Consent Agenda:

Commissioner Leonhard moved to approve claims for July 22, 2023 through August 4, 2023, in the amount of \$1,805,096.94; Net amount for Payroll #15 effective July 28, 2023 in the amount of \$400,576.59 (Includes Police & Fire Pension in the amount of \$7,134.65). Commissioner Martin seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved. Mayor Wilson declared the motion carried 5-0.

Other:

City Manager Paul Kramer:

- Represented the City during the International Flag Ceremony on Fort Leavenworth
- Excited to announce that this year there is a co-ed softball league with 7 teams

- Design RFP for Cody Park Sports Court is out and open for submittals
- Final features for the kiddie pool have arrived
- Next Week Study Session: Camp LV Update, Centennial Bridge Team will be back with an update

Commissioner Hingula:

- Excited for the bridge update next week
- Received notice of estimated ad valorem taxes which includes hearing dates and locations
- Encouraged citizens to attend the budget hearings

Commissioner Bauder

• Richard Allen Cultural Center is sponsoring Jazz by the River this weekend

Mayor Wilson:

- Invite everyone to a Back to School Event hosted by TRIO at Wollman Park on Saturday
- Recognized Representative Jeff Pittman who was in attendance at the meeting
- Stated school starts next week

Adjournment:

Commissioner Hingula moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Leonhard seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Time Meeting Adjourned 6:43 p.m. Minutes taken by City Clerk Sarah Bodensteiner, CMC