
NEVADA CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council of the City of Nevada, Iowa, met for a meeting in the Council Chambers of Nevada City Hall located at 1209 6th Street, Nevada, Iowa. Mayor Brett Barker, convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 25, 2021, pursuant to the rules of the Council. The agenda was posted on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open meeting law.

2. ROLL CALL

The roll was called indicating the following named Council Members present and absent. Present: Barb Mittman, Luke Spence, Sandy Ehrig, Dane Neelson, Jason Sampson. Absent: Brian Hanson.

Staff Present: Erin Clanton, Jordan Cook, Kerin Wright, Tim Hansen, Jeremy Rydl, Ryan Hutton, Chris Brandes, Ray Reynolds, Erin Coughlin and Mike Roth.

Also in attendance were: Henry Corbin, Steve Skaggs, Jason Holland and Louis Lang.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Sandy Ehrig, to **approve the agenda**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Neelson, Ehrig, Mittman, Sampson, Spence. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

4. Approval of CONSENT AGENDA (Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed for separate consideration.)

Motion by Barb Mittman, seconded by Luke Spence, to **approve the following consent agenda items:**

- A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 11, 2021
- B. Approve Payment of Cash Disbursements, including Check Numbers 76670-76740 and Electronic Numbers 1008-1013 (Inclusive) Totaling \$1,863,145.43 (See attached list)
- C. Approve Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission for a Special Use Permit for Verbio Nevada LLC, Railway Spur Loadout Site
- D. Approve Renewal of Class C Liquor License Permit and Sunday Sales Privileges for El Mezcalito, 1200 6th Street, Effective 11/18/21
- E. Set Public Hearing for the Microenterprise Assistance Grant Application for Monday, November 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Mittman, Spence, Ehrig, Neelson, Sampson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

5. PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Mayor Barker proclaimed October as Watershed Awareness Month.
- B. Louis Lang relayed his concerns to the council.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No. 020 (2021/2022): A Resolution Declaring Intent to provide Economic Development Support to Development Project at 1114 Sixth Street

Motion by Jason Sampson, seconded by Sandy Ehrig, to **adopt Resolution No. 020 (2021/2022)**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Sampson, Ehrig, Mittman, Spence, Nealson. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Approve Change Order No. 7 for the Central Business District Infrastructure Project from Con-Struct, Inc., in the amount of \$1,740.37

Motion by Luke Spence, seconded by Barb Mittman, to **approve Change Order No. 7 for the Central Business District Infrastructure Project from Con-Struct, Inc., in the amount of \$1,740.37**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Spence, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- C. Resolution No. 021 (2021/2022): A Resolution amending the WWTF Gas Service Agreement with Alliant Energy for a different route

Motion by Jason Sampson, seconded by Dane Nealson, to **adopt Resolution No. 021 (2021/2022)**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Sampson, Nealson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution No. 022 (2021/2022): A Resolution of Intent to commit dollars to the Uplift Project

Motion by Jason Sampson, seconded by Sandy Ehrig, to **adopt Resolution No. 022 (2021/2022)**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Sampson, Ehrig, Mittman, Nealson, Spence. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- B. Approve purchase of Extrication Tools using the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the Fire Department

Motion by Luke Spence, seconded by Barb Mittman, to **approve purchase of Extrication Tools from Genesis and Hurst (Bids 1&2) for a total amount of \$36,521**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Spence, Mittman, Nealson, Sampson, Ehrig. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

- C. Approve Neighborhood Improvement Incentive Program Applications for Oak Park Estates, Prairie Oak Properties

1. Demolish Church
2. Demolish Gym
3. Demolish Factory and Quonsets
4. Demolish Shop Building

Motion by Luke Spence, seconded by Dane Nealson, to **approve the four (4) Neighborhood Improvement Incentive Program Applications from Oak Park Estates**. After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Spence,

Nealson, Sampson, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

D. Discussion and Appropriate Follow up on Fireworks Ordinance 41.13

After due consideration and discussion council consensus was to ask staff to review other communities and report back to council.

8. REPORTS:

City Administrator Cook advised the health insurance renewal was minimal and the employee benefits meetings have been held. He reported on various strategic planning items happening within the city.

Mayor Barker discussed the Council Budget Committee and enlisted an additional member to join. Congratulated Main Street Nevada on another grant award for the Nevada Journal building. Henry Corbin gave an update of the investment into downtown to date. Barker also noted City of Ames Mayor was interested in a joint session with Nevada Council.

Public Works Director Rydl reported staff has been installing street signs, flushing hydrants, doing locates, fixing a water main break and working on permits and pumps.

Building and Zoning Official Hutton noted he has been reviewing remodels and minor subdivisions.

Director of Fire/EMS Reynolds relayed they have seen an increase in crop/grass fires, the land is very dry.

Library Director Coughlin advised they have hired two new employees. They will be holding an additional COVID Vaccine Clinic. They are also applying for a Humanities Grant to offer additional programming. The library meeting room is also available for rent again.

Director of Park and Rec Hansen relayed the water will be shut off this week at the parks and cemetery for the season. The Senior Luncheon will be held on November 23rd if anyone would like to volunteer let him know. Staff will be completing GIS training for the cemetery mapping. The Nevada Foundation will be hosting a groundbreaking celebration for the Fieldhouse on November 9th.

City Clerk Wright reported on the upcoming budget meetings and workshops attended. She is also finishing up the Street Finance Report and Annual Financial Report to present next month.

HRG Mike Roth updated council on the wastewater project.

City Attorney Clanton advised the Code Recodification should be ready for presentation to council next month. Mayor Barker also mentioned they are looking into snow removal in the downtown area.

9. CLOSED SESSION: Closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j) To discuss purchase or sale of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

At 6:52 p.m., Motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve to GO INTO Closed Session.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Neelson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

At 7:30 p.m., Motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve to GO OUT OF Closed Session.** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Neelson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

10. Discussion and appropriate follow-up on Closed session pursuant to authority found in Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1) (j) to discuss purchase of particular real estate only where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property.

- A. Resolution No. 023 (2021/2022): An Amended Resolution Establishing Fair Market Value of Properties for the Nevada Wastewater Facility Project

Motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **approve the Amended Resolution No. 023 (2021/2022).** After due consideration and discussion the roll was called. Aye: Neelson, Sampson, Spence, Ehrig, Mittman. Nay: None. The Mayor declared the motion carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the meeting, motion by Dane Neelson, seconded by Jason Sampson, to **adjourn the meeting.** Following voice vote, the Mayor declared the motion carried at 7:32 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

Brett Barker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kerin Wright, City Clerk

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