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## **CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, April 24, 2023**

**5:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, a Regular meeting of the Grand Rapids City Council will be held on Monday, April 24, 2023 at 5:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

Mayor Christy called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

**CALL OF ROLL:**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Dale Christy, Councilor Dale Adams, Councilor Tasha Connelly, Councilor Molly MacGregor and Councilor Tom Sutherland

**CITY STAFF:** Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Barb Baird, Rob Mattei, Will Richter, Andy Morgan, Kevin Ott and Jeremy Nelson

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

None.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilmember Dale Adams commented on the RAMS Meeting and that IRRR interviews have been held and there will be a new Director, June 1st.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Consider approval of Council minutes for the Monday, April 10, 2023 Worksession and Regular meetings.

Motion made by Councilmember Connelly, Second by Councilmember Adams to approve both the worksession and regular meeting minutes as presented. Voting Yea; Councilmember Sutherland, Councilmember MacGregor, Councilmember Adams, Councilmember Connelly and Mayor Christy, motion passed.

**VERIFIED CLAIMS:**

2. Approve the verified claims for the period April 4, 2023 to April 17, 2023 in the total amount of \$1,325,193.49.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

3. Consider allowing the Police Department to sell a Glock 42 and Glock 17 to a licensed dealer.
4. Consider adoption of a resolution and approving a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation for CP 2022-5, Forest Lake Redevelopment Project
5. Consider adopting a resolution approving reimbursement of expenditures for CP 2023-05, Library Façade Repair Project
6. Consider adopting a resolution accepting low base and alternate bid in the amount of \$367,974.00 from Building Restoration Corporation for CP 2023-05, Library Façade Repair Project.
7. Consider adopting a resolution awarding a contract at the Grand Rapids / Itasca County airport for the Hangar Utilities Project
8. Consider approving revised/updated Assistant Community Development Director job description and authorization to post the position
9. Consider hiring Public Works Summer Maintenance I employees.
10. Consider approving Seasonal Golf Employees
11. Consider approving golf course purchase of a CIP Z-Turn Rough Mower
12. Consider approving golf course CIP purchase of verticut reels.
13. Consider adopting a resolution awarding a contract at the Grand Rapids / Itasca County airport for the North Taxilane Reconstruction Project
14. Consider authorizing quotes, awarding a contract and authorize a downpayment at the GPZ Airport - Terminal building to replace existing shingles.
15. Consider approving a construction administration contract with SEH for AP 2023-1, North Taxilane Reconstruction
16. Consider making a motion to re-hire staff for Public Works for the 2023 Spring/Summer Maintenance Season.
17. Consider renewing the Memorandum of Understanding between Minnesota North College, Itasca and the Grand Rapids Police Department.
18. Consider authorizing Mayor Christy to sign a Professional Services Proposal with Encompass Inc. to perform construction phase administration and observation services for the repairs to the exterior façade at the Grand Rapids Area Library.
19. Consider an Agreement with Tall Timber Days
20. Consider change orders related to the IRA Civic Center project

SET REGULAR AGENDA:

ADMINISTRATION:

21. Consider appointing Jeremy Nelson to the position of Police Captain and adjusting salaries

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22. Consider unappointing Emily Naparalla from the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: (scheduled to begin no earlier than 5:00 PM)

23. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider the rezoning of a 5.1-acre parcel of land from PU (Public Use) to R-2 (One and Two Family Residential)
24. Conduct a public hearing to consider the vacation of a platted alley right of way and public utility easement located in Block 5, Second Division and Block 9, Houghton's Second Addition.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

25. Consider the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding adoption of an ordinance, amending the Official Zoning Map, by rezoning 5.1 acres of land from PU (Public Use) to R-2 (One and Two Family Residential).
26. Consider the adoption of a resolution either approving or denying the vacation of a platted alley right of way and public utility easement located in Block 5, Second Division and Block 9, Houghton's Second Addition.

ADJOURNMENT:

NEXT REGULAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 8, 2023 AT 5:00 PM

Hearing Assistance Available: This facility is equipped with a hearing assistance system.

MEETING PROTOCOL POLICY: Please be aware that the Council has adopted a Meeting Protocol Policy which informs attendees of the Council's desire to conduct all City meetings in an orderly manner which welcomes all civil input from citizens and interested parties. If you are unaware of the policy, copies (orange color) are available in the wall file by the Council entrance.

ATTEST: Aurimy Groom, Administrative Assistant