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CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 14, 2022
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, November 14, 2022 at 5:00 PM in City Hall Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

Councilor Toven called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

CALL OF ROLL:

PRESENT: Councilor Dale Adams, Councilor Michelle Toven, Councilor Rick Blake

ABSENT: Mayor Dale Christy, Councilor Tasha Connelly

STAFF: Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Barb Baird, Steve Schaar, Will Richter, Rob Mattei

ELECTION CANVASS:

1. Consider adopting a resolution canvassing and declaring the results of the November 8, 2022 City of Grand Rapids Elections.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Blake to adopt **Resolution 22-98** declaring the results of the November 8, 2022 City of Grand Rapids elections. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

PUBLIC FORUM:

No one from the public wished to speak.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilor Adams congratulates Mayor Christy, Tom Sutherland and Molly MacGregor on their recent election success. Thank you to the residents of Grand Rapids for successfully passing the Local Sales Tax referendum.

Councilor Toven thanks all those who served on elections.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. Approve Council minutes for Monday, October 24, 2022 Regular meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Adams to approve Council minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

VERIFIED CLAIMS:

3. Approve the verified claims for the period October 18, 2022 to November 7, 2022 in the total amount of \$1,543,639.09.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Blake to approve the verified claims. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

CONSENT AGENDA:

4. Consider approving temporary liquor license for IEDC event on December 2, 2022.
5. Consider approving Monitoring Agreement with American Eagle
6. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing a grant application to the IRRR Development Infrastructure Grant program for development infrastructure costs associated with the Arbor Wood project located at 502 W. County Rd. 63, Grand Rapids, MN 55744.

Resolution 22-99

7. Consider authorizing Mayor Christy to sign a Professional Services Proposal with Encompass Inc.-Exterior Repair Design & Bid Phases.
8. Consider awarding a contract for GPZ Garage Door replacement
9. Consider an Agreement with Heath Smith to reinstate FTO
10. Consider Change Order #002 for IRA Civic Center
11. Consider Attachment I to Grant Agreement with DEED for IRA Civic Center.
12. Consider approving temporary liquor license for Klockow Brewing event on December 2, 2022.
13. Consider a labor agreement with the Public Works Union
14. Consider a labor agreement with the Library Union
- 14a. Consider hiring a Civic Center Maintenance/Warming House Attendant

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Adams to approve the Consent agenda as amended with the addition of 14a. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

SET REGULAR AGENDA:

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Blake to approve the Regular agenda as presented. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

Meeting recessed at 5:08 PM for scheduled public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: (scheduled to begin no earlier than 5:30 PM)

15. Conduct a Public Hearing approving Tax Abatement related to the IRA Civic Center in the City of Grand Rapids and providing preliminary approval to the issuance of General Obligation Bonds.

Councilor Toven notes the reason for the public hearing. City Clerk Gibeau states that all official notices have been made and no correspondence has been received in the Clerk's office relative to this matter.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Blake to open the public hearing. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

No one from the public wished to speak, therefore the following motion was made.

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Adams to close the public hearing. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

FINANCE: Reconvened regular meeting at 5:33 PM.

16. Consider adopting a resolution approving Property Tax Abatement related to the IRA Civic Center in the City of Grand Rapids and providing preliminary approval to the issuance of General Obligation Bonds.

Rebecca Kurtz, Ehlers, provided overview and identified parcels for abatement.

Motion made by Councilor Blake, Second by Councilor Adams to adopt **Resolution 22-100**, approving property tax abatement related to the IRA Civic Center and providing preliminary approval to the issuance of General Obligation Bonds. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

17. Consider adopting a resolution providing for the sale of \$10,000,000 Taxable General Obligation Temporary Bonds, Series 2022A.

Director of Finance, Barb Baird provides information regarding the approved local tax and civic center project and bonds.

Motion made by Councilor Adams, Second by Councilor Blake to adopt **Resolution 22-101**, providing for the sale of \$10,000,000 Taxable General Obligation Temporary Bonds, Series 2022A. Voting Yea: Councilor Adams, Councilor Toven, Councilor Blake

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Gibeau
Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk