

Aurora, Nebraska
June 13, 2023

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on June 13, 2023 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Paul Lackore, Wayne Roblee, Daniel Bartling, Mark Dunn, Dick Phillips and Nancy Lohrmeyer. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Eric Melcher, City Attorney Ross Luzum, Chief of Police Paul Graham, Utilities Superintendent Adam Darbro and Clerk/Treasurer Barbra Mikkelsen.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on June 7, 2023. Notice of meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Seeman stated "AS PERSCRIBED BY LAW A COPY OF THE NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS POSTED BY THE DOUBLE DOORS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS."

MINUTES:

Councilor Dunn moved to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2023 meeting. Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:

REPORTS BY OFFICERS, BOARD, COMMITTEES:

Clerk/Treasurer Mikkelsen presented the Expenditures and Clerk/Treasurer reports for the month ending May 31, 2023. Councilor Phillips moved to approve said reports. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Claims Committee Member Lohrmeyer reported the claims presented by the Clerk were in order and moved that said claims be allowed and checks drawn on the various funds for payment of same be approved. Councilor Dunn seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried. A listing of said claims is attached to these minutes.

Asia Haack and Nick Heinrichs from Cornerstone Bank explained Cornerstone Bank's Pooled Collateral Program. Councilor Roblee moved to authorize the City's participation in Cornerstone Bank's Pooled Collateral Program. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling and Dunn. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Lori Ferguson of SCEDD explained the process for accepting applications for the Aurora CDBG Downtown Revitalization Façade Forgivable Loan Program. She stated the Aurora Downtown Revitalization Committee had met, reviewed and recommended the project as presented. Councilor Lackore moved to approve Project # 23-DTR-001 for the Aurora CDBG Downtown Revitalization Façade Forgivable Loan Program. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling Dunn and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Dennis Stille of JEO Consulting presented the bids for the Detention Pond Retaining Wall project. Councilor Lackore moved to award the bid for the Detention Pond Retaining Wall project including alternated bid items to Kokes Constructions, LLC for a total of \$132,520. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling Dunn, Phillips and Lohrmeyer. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Dennis Stille of JEO Consulting presented the bids for the Tributary of Lincoln Creek Bank Stabilization E of 9th Street project. Councilor Roblee moved to award the bid for the Tributary of Lincoln Creek Bank Stabilization E of 9th Street project to Kokes Constructions, LLC for a total of \$86,357.00. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 1167: AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND AND INCREASE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF NEBRASKA, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 17-405, R.R.S.1943, BY ANNEXING THERETO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND CONTIGUOUS TO AND NOT EMBRACED WITHIN THE PRESENT LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, CONSISTING OF MISSION CRITICAL FIRST ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, A TRACT OF LAND COMPRISING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (NW1/4) OF SECTION FIFTEEN (15), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS, TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK, PAMPHLET, OR ELECTRONIC FORM, AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Phillips moved to bring Ordinance No. 1167 before the council and to approve the second reading of this ordinance. Councilor Roblee seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

7:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Seeman opened the duly advertised public hearing to receive public comments regarding a request to amend Ordinance No. 1110, the Zoning ordinance to the City of Aurora, Nebraska, amending Article 4, Section 410 and Section 411. The proposed amendment is in regard to accessory buildings located in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) as well as Side yard setbacks in Residential and Residential Ranchette Zoning Districts abutting Commercial or Industrial Zoning Districts. The Mayor asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak in regards to the proposed recommendation. Scott Gaskill spoke in favor of the project. Zoning Administrator Darbro stated the Planning Commission recommended approval. The Mayor then asked if there was anyone else present who wished to speak in regards to the proposed recommendation and there was no one. There being no one else present to speak in favor of or opposition to the proposed recommendation the Mayor declared the public hearing closed.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 1168: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 1110, THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, NEBRASKA, BY AMENDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF ARTICLE FOUR: SECTION 410, R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, SUBSECTIONS 410.03, 410.04 AND 410.07; AND SECTION 411, R-R RESIDENTIAL RANCHETTE DISTRICT, SUBSECTIONS 411.03, 411.04 AND 411.08; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK OR PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Phillips moved to bring Ordinance No. 1168 before the council and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 1168. Councilor Roblee seconded the motion. The Mayor then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1168 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Phillips, Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling and Dunn. Nay: None.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed and adopted and the Mayor signed and approved said Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of same and affixed her signature thereto. Said Ordinance shall be preserved and kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the Ordinance Record of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

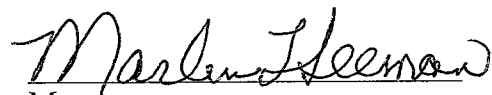
Councilor Phillips moved to authorize the Mayor to enter into a subdivision agreement with Streeter, LLC for Northridge 2nd Subdivision. Councilor Dunn seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lohrmeyer, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Dunn and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lohrmeyer moved to approve the Mayor's appointment of Mike Sullivan to the Board of Adjustments. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips and Lohrmeyer. Nay: None. The motion carried.


Councilor Dunn moved to approve the applications to sell fireworks, received from: James Clarke dba Fireworks 4-Less (Aurora Mall), Richard Ludvik dba Ka-Boomer's Enterprises, Inc. (2001 Q St), Edgerton Explorit Center (Edgerton Parking Lot). Councilor Lohrmeyer seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Lohrmeyer and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS:
ADJOURNMENT:**

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53p.m.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

