

**PUBLIC WORKS, PUBLIC SAFETY,
HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MINUTES
City of South Sioux City**

Date of Meeting: August 7th, 2023

Members Present: Ben Schultz, Rick Bousquet, Jason Bowman, Month Peters.

Absent: none

Media in attendance: None.

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PUBLIC WORKS:

Engineer's Report.

Engineers from Olsson and JEO Consulting Group were present to give updates and to answer any questions on the various projects in the City. Information only

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Parking – Traffic issue on East 31st Street – request from resident to look at the situation on East 31st and Julia Circle when families are picking up their children from school.

Discussion – City Administrator asked to check into bringing Le Mesa Way through or other possibilities. Place back on next Public Works agenda.

No parking sign request from the U.S. Post Office. Request is for the 200 block of East 22nd. During the school year, staff are parking their cars in front of all the mailboxes on this street. We would like to request that a section be marked off possible in the middle around 210 east 22nd street as a No Parking for mail to continue flow and it safely be delivered to the residents of S Sioux City.

In attendance to speak was Kim the Post office delivery person for this area.

R. Bousquet motioned, seconded by Schultz to look at option for more parking ideas in the Covington School area. Bring back to the next Public Works meeting for more discussion. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Food Truck Regulations

R. Bousquet motioned, seconded by Peters to carry forward to the next agenda. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Cottonwood Inn and Conference Center, License number I-125868. Re applying for license.

Schultz motioned, seconded by Peters to approve and move forward to Council the Cottonwood Inn application for a liquor license. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Liaison Agreement with South Sioux City Schools.

Schultz motioned, seconded by Peters to approve and move forward the liaison agreement between the school and the Police Department. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Addition basketball courts at the parks

Schultz motioned, seconded by R. Bousquet to look at possibilities, locations and cost for a basketball/skate park. Bring back to the next Public Works meeting. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

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Authorization to go out for bids on Round House Road paving

R. Bousquet motioned, seconded by Schultz to approve going out for bids on Round House Road. Move to Council. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Approval to apply to the Nebraska Games and Parks – Land and Water Conservation Fund for funding for two playground structures at Baumer Park for a new playground with a pour-in-place foundation and Raymond Park for a splash pad. The City of South Sioux City is requesting a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for \$281,665 with a match share of \$281,665 for a total project cost of \$563,330.

Peters motioned, seconded by Schultz to approve and move forward to Council the request to apply to the Nebraska Games and Parks – Land and Water Conservation fund for Baumer Park and Raymond Park. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Resolution to approve changes to the HOME Down Payment Assistance Program Guidelines updated.

The city receives annual allocation of HUD HOME funds as part of the Sioux City Consortium. One use of these funds include down payment assistance for low to moderate income (50-80% of AMI). Most notable changes included:

- Increased the amount (Underwriting policy) from \$10,000 to the 5-year limit of \$14,999. Guidelines on file still read \$7,000.
- Removed any home valuation cost and provided the HUD URL to the site for annual updates.
- Removed SSC title of Neighborhood Housing Coordinator (a Sioux City term) to Project Coordinator as we don't offer that program and made it more generic as several individuals can now gather the information, complete the forms and sign off on income verification information.

Schultz motioned, seconded by Peters to approve and move forward to Council the approval of changes to the HOME Down Payment Assistance Program guidelines. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

MISCELLANEOUS/ UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

St. Michaels Festival – Sunday – September 10th, 2023. This is an all-day event – closing 1st Avenue, will need to have barricades.

Schultz motioned, seconded by R. Bousquet to approve and move forward to Council St. Michael's festival. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none

Being no further business at 5:32 p.m. Peters motioned, seconded by Schultz to adjourn the meeting. Voting Aye: Schultz, Peters, Bowman and R. Bousquet. Voting No: none