

**CITY OF SOUTH SIOUX CITY
COUNCIL MINUTES
April 12th, 2021**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of South Sioux City, Nebraska, was held at the South Sioux City Council Chambers, 1615 1st Avenue in said City on the 12th day of April, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. Present were: Mayor Rod Koch and Council Members: John Sanders, Jason Bowman, Carol Schuldt, Bruce Davis, Jasper Kriens, Rick Bousquet, Jim Gunsolley, Ben Schultz. Absent: Councilman. Media in attendance: Dakota County Star. Notice of the proceeding was given in advance thereof by advertising in the Dakota County Star and Mundo Latino attached to these minutes. Notice of the proceedings was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice to the Media, Mayor and Council of this proceeding and was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Koch, stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall in the rear of the Council Chambers & is available for review by citizens in attendance. A sign-in sheet is available at the entrance to Council Chambers. We ask for your assistance by signing in as this is a Federal Grant requirement. It is strictly voluntary to complete the sign-in sheet.

Bowman motioned, seconded by Schultz to approve the following **consent agenda**: Council Minutes of March 22nd 2021; Public Works Minutes April 5th, 2021; Claims, April 12th, 2021. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Mike Wright, wellness coordinator from South Sioux City School shared about the Wellness Program and discussed the fun run on May 8th, 2021 Wellness Fun Run Walk starting at Freedom Park.

FTC Robotics Team from South Sioux City High School 7924 team Red Totes brought the Robot they built that shot rings and picked them up. They are 8th in the State of Iowa. Congratulations.

Engineers from JEO Consulting Group and Olsson were present to give updates and to answer any question on various projects in the city. No Action taken.

Davis motioned, seconded by Bousquet to approve the Alcohol Awareness Proclamation for the month of April. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Schultz to approve Prevent Child Abuse Proclamation for the month of April and to let pinwheels be placed in park across for City Hall. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Mike Newhouse talked about the future of Freedom Park and events that will be going on and construction that may be happening. Larry Brostad and Mike Weaver board member on the Freedom Park Board discussed with the Council maintenance outside at Freedom Park asking if there is any help that can be given by City.

Marion Can and Marta Nelson with the Daughter of the Revolution stated to the Council that they will be building a NEVER FORGET GARDEN IN HONOR for the Tomb Guard Society. No action taken.

Interim Tim Kacena gave a Fire Department Report. Not action taken.

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Code Enforcement Director Kent Zimmerman provided a report and visual statistics from the Inspections Department from 2017 -2020.

At 6:09 p.m. Mayor Rod Koch opened the PUBLIC HEARING regarding the Application to USDA Rural Development. Notice is hereby given that the City of South Sioux City intends to file an application to USDA Rural Development for financial assistance in the amount of \$249,000 for assistance with the purchase of new street equipment that was destroyed by a fire on January 28, 2021. There was no one present requesting special services or to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed conditional use permit. At 6:10 p.m. Mayor Koch declared hearing closed.

Davis motioned, seconded by Kriens to approve filing an application to the USDA Rural Development with the Mayor being able to sign any and all documents. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

At 6:11 p.m. Mayor Rod Koch opened the PUBLIC HEARING regarding the Application for Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Funds (NAHTF). The City of South Sioux City along with local developer will create a new housing subdivision that will result in an initial eight homes to be constructed at 17th and G Street within 36-months. The City is requesting a total of \$500,000 from NAHTF including \$300,000 infrastructure development (streets, water, sewer, storm sewer); \$188,000 for home buyer assistance; housing management \$4,000); and \$8,000 for general administration. City cash match totals \$373,500. Leverage funds includes developer land purchase and up-front construction costs. There was no one present requesting special services or to speak in favor of or in opposition to the proposed conditional use permit. At 6:12 p.m. Mayor Koch declared hearing closed.

Davis Motioned, seconded by Bousquet to approve filing an application with the Nebraska Affordable Housing Trust Funds (NAHTF) with the Mayor being able to sign any and all documents. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Kriens motioned, seconded by Schuldt to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2021-33
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
FOR THE WATER STORAGE PROJECT #017-07810**

Olsson ----- \$8.76 5.66 (Invoice No: 381853)

Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Bousquet motioned, seconded by Sanders to approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION 2021-34
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
FOR SCENIC PARK – OUTFALLS REPAIRS**

HCI Construction ----- \$213,927.70 (Invoice No: 10757)

Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

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Kriens motioned, seconded by Schuldt to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2021-35

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR ENGINEERING
AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE WASTEWATER
TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

HDR ENGINEERING, INC. ----- \$25,491.96 (Invoice #1200337331)

Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Schultz motioned, seconded by Bowman to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2021-36

**RESOLUTION AWARDING SINGLE BID FOR SOUTH SIOUX CITY SCENIC PARK
AQUAPLEX SPLASH PAD AND POOL CLIMBING WALL**

Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Gunsolley to approve the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2021-37

RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR PANEL REPLACEMENT

Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Schultz to approve Chance Bracht on Planning Commission Board and Pam Coenen on the Citizen Advisory Board. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Bousquet to approve replacement cost for Public Works Equipment damaged in the fire. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Kriens motioned, seconded by Bousquet to approve the HCI Mixed Use Agreement. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Schultz motioned, seconded by Schuldt to approve the South Sioux City School Wellness 5K Fun Run on May 8th, 2021. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

City Administrator Lance Hedquist and Council Member Bruce Davis gave update on South Ridge Golf, Rick Farrell with be leasing with option to buy and will be opening on April 16th, 2021.

Davis motioned, seconded Gunsolley to approve the City Employee Retirement Plan Consultant Engagement Agreement. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to approve the South Sioux City / Dakota County Walk @ Crystal Cove on October 3rd, 2021. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

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Davis motioned, seconded Gunsolley to approve the AFSCME Contract. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Kriens to deny the offer of \$20,000 for 905-911 B Street. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Bowman motioned, seconded by Gunsolley to approve the Matney Settlement. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none. Abstaining: Davis.

Davis motioned, seconded by Schultz to go into closed session at 6: 26 p.m. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

Davis motioned, seconded by Bousquet to come out of closed session at 6:43 pm. Voting Aye: Gunsolley, Schuldt, Bousquet, Schultz, Bowman, Davis, Sanders and Kriens. Voting No: none.

There being no further business to discuss, at 6:44 p.m. Davis motioned, seconded by Gunsolley to adjourn the meeting. Voting AYE: Schuldt, Ehrich, Sanders, Davis, Bousquet, Bowman. Voting no: None.

These minutes are subject to city council approval.

A copy of the minutes in their entirety is available at City Hall, 1615 1st Ave., Mon.-Fri. 8:00 am-5:00 pm. and on the City's website at www.southsiouxcity.org

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