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**Date of Meeting: August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Members Present: Ben Schultz, Jasper Kriens, John Sanders.**

**Absent: Jason Bowman**

**Media in attendance: None.**

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Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to excuse Bowman from the meeting.  
Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none

**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

**One and Six Year Plan**

Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to approve and move forward the One and Six Year plan to Council. Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none

**Sewer plant land option**

Assistant City Administrator Oscar Gomez stated there is an option of about 200 acres that is up on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Is this something the City would like to purchase. Information only for sewer plant, will be coming back to committee.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Speedmart at 801 Dakota Avenue (formerly Sam's Tobacco and Liquor – liquor license number D-081390) request new liquor license - D-125042. Under new ownership.**

Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to approve and move forward Speedmart liquor request. Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none

**Spill Reporting in Nebraska –** Chief Terry Johnson is Vice Chair of the Local Emergency Planning Committee and will be present to talk about building a stronger response system with Municipal and Industrial Partners in Dakota County.

Chief Terry Johnson gave report on what this is and why it is important. Information only.

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**Approve Goal Zero – Community Action Plan:** This is a tool to help strengthen the community's approach to roadway safety, save lives and reduce injuries. The City has incorporated Complete Streets principles into plans and regulations as appropriate. The Council has approved adopting a Zero Goal toward eliminating fatal and serious injuries for all road users; thus, further creating a safe system for all.

Grant Administrator Pat Somsy gave information on what this plan is, items that will be coming up and when it will be going to Council. Information only

**MISCELLANEOUS/ UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**ARPA plan**

City Administrator Lance Hedquist stated that this is a guide and not asking for approval, information only. Assistant City Administrator Oscar Gomez stated that this is another draft of what is the best way to buy equipment and/or other items. More information to come.

**St. Michael's Festival – 09.18.2022 from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm. Would like permission to close 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.**

Kriens motioned, seconded Sanders to approve and move forward to Council St. Michaels Festival. Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none

**Grant Application Request to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission – Recreational Trails Fund.**

South Sioux City is applying to the Nebraska Games and Parks – Recreational Trails Program to provide approximately 2,600 linear feet concrete trail between Foundry Road and 29th Street. This trail will be constructed 10 ft. wide along the recorded city-owned 30' easement for the MidAmerican gas line. The trail links the Siouxland Freedom Park, existing trail system (Veterans Drive) to the 29th Street trail (Overlook Trail) that further links with a new elementary school, Cardinal Elementary School, community park, and planned housing construction in this area.

The City of South Sioux City is requesting a Recreational Trails Program grant for \$250,000 with \$100,450 City share and a \$100,450 Papio Missouri River Natural Resource District grant. The total cost for the project is \$450,900.

**Grant Application Request to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission – Land and Water Conservation fund**

South Sioux City is applying to the Nebraska Games and Parks – Land and Water Conservation Fund to provide two playground structures at Covington Park and Curry Park. These playgrounds would have a main play structure, swings and dynamic pieces for spinning all set on poured-in-place rubber.

The City of South Sioux City is requesting a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for \$150,000 with \$100,000 City share and a \$50,000 Papio Missouri River Natural Resource District grant. The total cost for the project is \$300,000.

Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to approve and move forward to Council - Grant Application Request to the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission – Recreational Trails Fund and Land and Water Conservation fund. Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:**

Kriens motioned, seconded by Sanders to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. Voting Aye: Schultz, Kriens and Sanders. Voting No: none