

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
ST. CHARLES CITY COUNCIL MEETING
LORA VITEK, MAYOR
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2 E. MAIN STREET**

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Vitek at 7:01 pm.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber

Absent: None

3. Invocation by Ald. Payleitner

4. Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Presentations.

- Proclamation to Declare June, 2021 as LGBTQ+ Pride Month in the City of St. Charles presented to Michael Stroud.
- Proclamation Declaring June 4 as Gun Violence Awareness Day presented to Kelly Rotella.

- 6. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to approve the Omnibus Vote. Items with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine matters and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member/citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.**

- *7. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to accept and place on file minutes of the City Council Old Business meeting held May 3, 2021.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

- *8. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to accept and place on file minutes of the City Council New Business meeting held May 3, 2021.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

- *9. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to approve and authorize issuance of vouchers from the Expenditure Approval List for the period of 4/19/2021 – 5/2/2021 in the amount of \$5,259,416.05.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

I. New Business

- A. Motion by Ald. Bessner, second by Ald. Lencioni to approve an Ordinance 2021-M-24 Confirming and Extending a Declared State of Emergency within the City of St. Charles Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic until the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

Alder Payleitner asked what will happen when we hit Stage 5 in the State of Illinois. Interim City Administrator Chris Minick responded that our ordinance requires that the Governor abandons the declaration of emergency. Once the Governor does that, our ordinance will terminate.

- B. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Weber to Approve a Resolution 2021-70 Acknowledging the Disclosure of Alderman Paul Lencioni Regarding His Fee Simple Ownership and Leasehold Interest in 300 South Second Street, St Charles, Illinois, Located Within the First Street TIF #4 Redevelopment Plan and Project Area, as amended.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

Chris Minick explained that state statutes require that anytime an alderman has a property interest in property that is in a TIF district, they must disclose that fact to the municipality's authorities. The authorities then accept the resolution, and they direct the City Clerk to record that disclosure. Alderman Lencioni has a property interest in parcels on South Second street. By law he is required to file that disclosure with the City. State statute does require that any alderman or elected official with property interest within the TIF district, will need to recuse or remove themselves from any discussion for any item in that TIF district. In this case, this refers

to TIF 4. Alder. Lencioni understands the discloser and the statute requires. Staff recommends approval. Alder. Payleitner asked who monitors this process. Chris Minick responded that the statute is very clear.

C. Motion by Ald. Payleitner, second by Ald. Lencioni to approve a Service Agreement with the St Charles Business Alliance for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of \$698,600.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

Chris Minick explained these are the amounts included in the budget as a result of the discussions that occurred. Staff recommends approval. Alder. Wirball asked where the primary funding comes from for this agreement. Chris Minick responded that the funding comes from two sources, the hotel/motel tax and the special services area 1B.

D. Motion by Ald. Payleitner, second by Ald. Wirball to approve the Service Agreement with the History Museum for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of \$45,000.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

Chris Minick explained that the source of this funding is from the hotel/motel tax. This amount was included in the budget. This is a \$1000 reduction from the amount the History Museum received in FY 2020-2021. Staff recommends approval.

E. Motion by Ald. Weber, second by Ald. Lencioni to approve Street Closure for the Annual Baker Memorial Farmers Market from June through October.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

Chief Keegan explained that this is for the Farmers Market and the street closures would occur from 4:00 am to 2:30 pm. The certificate of insurance (COI) is still needed but will ensure it is complete before commencing the event in June.

F. Motion by Ald. Lencioni, second by Ald. Bancroft to approve recommendation from Mayor Vitek to approve the Reappointment of Gary Vanek as Ethics Advisor for 2021-2025.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft,

Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

II. Committee Reports

A. Government Operations

None

B. Government Services

None

C. Planning and Development

- *1. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to accept and place on file Plan Commission Resolution No. 07-2021 A Resolution Recommending Approval of an Application for Special Use to establish a Boat, Camper, and Recreational Vehicle Sales and Service facility for Barrington Motor Sales RV, Lot 14 of the Shanahan PUD (3825 Commerce Drive)**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

- *2. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to approve an Ordinance 2021-Z-10 Granting a Special Use for a Boat, Camper, and Recreational Vehicle Sales and Service Facility, Lot 14 of the Shanahan PUD (3825 Commerce Dr. – Barrington Motor Sales RV)**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

- *3. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to Approve a Resolution 2021-71 Authorizing the Mayor and City Council to Execute a Façade Improvement Agreement between the City of St. Charles and Karen and David Lando (201 Cedar Ave.)**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.

Motion Carried

- *4. Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to accept and place on file Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 3-2021 A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Façade Improvement Grant Application (11 N 3rd St.)**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.
Motion Carried

5. **Motion by Ald. Weber, second by Ald. Bongard to approve a Resolution 2021-72 Authorizing the Mayor and City Council to Execute a Façade Improvement Agreement between the City of St. Charles and Terry and Amber Grove (11 N 3rd St.) as amended.**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner
Motion Carried

Russel Colby explained that this is a façade improvement grant that was reviewed by the planning and development committee on May 10. Applicants are requesting a 50% reimbursement for siding replacement. The Historic Preservation commission reviewed the grant and recommended approval at 50% of the reimbursement under the category of building improvements based on the fact the siding material is an upgrade of the existing siding. Planning and development reviewed the grant application and felt it should be under the category of routine maintenance and unanimously recommended approved at the 25% reimbursement level. The applicant informed the committee that they probably would not proceed with the 25% reimbursement level.

Amber Grove addressed the Council and explained that this grant is for aesthetics and not maintenance. The current north and east sides were complete and covered by insurance. We want to improve the appearance of the rest of the house.

Ald. Weber stated that he does not like to go against other committee recommendations, but he doesn't have an issue with amending to the 50%-dollar amount. Bessner agreed and will follow the lead of the Council. Ald. Pietryla supports the change. Ald. Bancroft agrees with Ald. Weber. Ald. Bongard asked why not move forward if not approved. Ms. Grove responded that it her father's decision. Ald. Payleitner asked what the Historical Society approves. Mr. Colby responded that they review the scope of improvements under the different categories for grant reimbursement. Ald. Payleitner and Ald. Silkaitis thinks that this is maintenance.

- *6. **Motion by Ald. Bancroft, second by Ald. Wirball to accept and place on file Historic Preservation Commission Resolution No. 4-2021 A Resolution Recommending approval of a façade Improvement Grant Application (201 Cedar Ave.)**

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Ald. Stellato, Ald. Silkaitis, Ald. Payleitner, Ald. Bongard, Ald. Bancroft, Ald. Lencioni, Ald. Pietryla, Ald. Wirball, Ald. Bessner, Ald. Weber; Nays: None.
Motion Carried

10. **Additional Items from Mayor, Council, Staff, or Citizens**

Laura Graf, 244 Walnut Dr. St. Charles.

Ms. Graf is representing the Fox River Valley initiative which is a community broad based nonpartisan organization composed of 19 religious and civic organizations across the Fox Valley. We have worked with Sherriff Hane on a number of items including mental health for people the police encounter, crisis stabilization units, critical incidence training. The metro IAF is working closely with Mayors, Police Chiefs, and Sheriffs across the country to improve gun safety. We want to work with gun manufacturers to build weapons with locks that can be used only by authorized users. We, with the gun safety consortium, are looking to issue an RFP to the gun industry to build weapons and locks that are resistant to misuse. We have been testing various locks but we want to bring more into the market. We have 30 municipalities across the country that have signed the RFP. We are looking for the City of St. Charles to sign the RFP and join the gun safety consortium.

Mayor Vitek responded that gun safety is important to the City as demonstrated by the proclamation for National Gun Violence awareness read at the beginning of the meeting. This topic would require us to direct the Chief of Police to investigate and bring back his recommendations to the Council.

11. No Executive Session

12. Adjournment

Motion by Ald. Bessner, second by Weber to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Nancy Garrison, City Clerk

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