

## MAQUOKETA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

Mayor Schwenker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with five members present.

Present: Simonson, Lyon, Collister, Good, Holm      Absent: Woodward, Kuhlman

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving the consent agenda consisting of the agenda, June 21st minutes, bills, renewal class "B" native wine, outdoor sales and Sunday sales filed by Make A Splash, a renewal class "E" liquor license and Sunday sales filed by Casey's General Store #2486, and Resolution 2021-55, establishing July 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. as public hearing for 2019 rental rehabilitation small LMI CDBG Grant.

Motion Carried 5-0

Terry Creegan spoke in the audience stating issues and concerns with the City's Rental Registration Program and Inspections.

Kelley Deutmeyer, ECIA Director, spoke in the audience and gave an update on the pocket neighborhood, (aka Bear River Cottages). Carl Reimer, Housing Development Specialist, sat in to help answer questions. Of the 10 properties, 8 have sold and 2 are for sale. They are very satisfied with progress being made.

Mayor Schwenker opened the public meeting to solicit comments on the proposed application for a Community Development Block Grant Downtown Revitalization grant to the Iowa Economic Development Authority. The Council discussed the need for revitalization assistance to make improvements to the facades of commercial buildings in the east side of downtown Maquoketa. The application will be submitted to IEDA no later than August 16, 2021. The proposed 2021 Downtown Revitalization program will be in the amount not to exceed \$1,100,000 including façade work, architectural, and administrative fees. The City pledges local effort to the project in the amount of \$500,000, including \$250,000 from the City of Maquoketa and a minimum of \$250,000 from the local businesses and property owners. The total amount of CDBG Funds requested will be \$500,000. The proposed project meets the HUD national objective for the removal of slum and blight. By design, no displacement will occur. If displacement is necessary, the City will comply fully with the Uniform Relocation Act and Section 104(d). Motion by Lyon, seconded by Collister to close the public hearing with no negative comments from citizens present and no objections on file.

Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Good approving Resolution 2021-56, entitled "resolution approving application for Community Development Block Grant Downtown Revitalization application for East side of Main Street and pledging local match of \$250,000

Motion Carried 4-1    Nay: Collister

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm approving Tax Exemption Certificate for \$1,777,000 sewer revenue capital loan notes anticipation project note, series 2021B  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Holm approving Tax Exemption Certificate for \$1,533,000 water revenue capital loan notes anticipation project note, series 2021C  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Simonson, seconded by Collister approving Tax Exemption Certificate for \$2,914,000 storm water revenue capital loan notes anticipation project note, series 2021D  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution No. 2021-57, entitled, "Resolution authorizing change of street name to South Jones Avenue"  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving payment in the amount of \$4,845.00 to Shield Technology Corporation for annual software support at the police department  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Holm, seconded by Good approving payment in the amount of \$8025.00 to Lexipol for annual support and training at the police department  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Lyon, seconded by Holm approving payment in the amount of \$25,496.93 to WHKS for April invoice for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving change order #2 for the MAE Upper Story Apartments submitted by Sheets Design Build in the amount of \$10,646.00  
Motion Carried 5-0

Motion by Collister, seconded by Lyon approving Resolution 2021-58, entitled "resolution supporting applications for 2021 Workforce Housing Tax Credits"  
Motion Carried 5-0

Smith stated that the Platt Street project is going well, with detours in place.

Smith reported that 900 Rental Registrations had been mailed out, with 600 inspections scheduled from the end of July to the beginning of September. A seasonal Building Inspector has been hired and will assist with completing inspections.

Smith stated the Building Inspector position and Utility Clerk position have been posted to the public. It is the hopes to have the new hires in place by August.

Motion by Holm, seconded by Good adjourning at 6:45 p.m.

All Ayes

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Don Schwenker, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Mallory Smith, Interim City Manager