



**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE
MAY 16, 2022**

The City Council of Prairie Village, Kansas, met in regular session on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Mikkelson presided.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called by the City Clerk with the following Councilmembers in attendance: Chad Herring, Cole Robinson, Inga Selders, Ron Nelson, Lauren Wolf, Bonnie Limbird, Dave Robinson, Greg Shelton, Courtney McFadden, Ian Graves, and Terrence Gallagher. Staff present: Captain Eric McCullough, Police Department; Keith Bredehoeft, Director of Public Works; Attorney Katie Logan, attorney with Lathrop & Gage; Wes Jordan, City Administrator; Meghan Buum, Assistant City Administrator; Tim Schwartzkopf, Assistant City Administrator; Nickie Lee, Finance Director; Adam Geffert, City Clerk.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Cole Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda for May 16, 2022. Mr. Nelson seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

PRESENTATIONS

- Mayor Mikkelson read a proclamation declaring June 10, 2022, as “MARC 50 - Forward Day” in Prairie Village. MARC Community Development Director Marlene Nagel was present to accept the proclamation.
- Mr. Herring read a proclamation declaring May 2022 as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.
- Stuart Little of Little Government Services provided a legislative update.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Resident Vicki Riffle, 3627 Somerset Drive, stated that she was in favor of the construction of a new civic center.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Mikkelson asked if there were any items to remove from the consent agenda for discussion:



1. Approval of regular City Council meeting minutes - May 2, 2022
2. Approval of expenditure ordinance #3014
3. Approval of contract with Vance Brothers for the 2022 crack seal / microsurfacing program
4. Purchase request of police vehicle
5. Consider purchase of replacement Bobcat skid-steer loader and disposal of asset #5044
6. Consider an Ordinance approving the Juneteenth event as a special event and authorizing the sale, consumption and possession of alcoholic liquor and cereal malt beverages with the boundaries of a barricaded public area of the event
7. Consider approval of a short-term special use permit for the Prairie Village Art Fair at the Prairie Village Shops

Mr. Herring made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. A roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: “aye”: Herring, C. Robinson, Selders, Nelson, Wolf, Limbird, D. Robinson, Shelton, McFadden, Graves, Gallagher. The motion passed 11-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Ms. Limbird stated that the Arts Council’s “Art of Photography 2022” exhibit was currently on display at City Hall, and that an artist reception had been held on May 13. She added that the “State of the Arts” call for entry would go live on June 6.
- Mr. Gallagher said that the Parks and Recreation Committee had recently toured Harmon Park and the pool complex to discuss on-going and future projects.
- Ms. Selders reported that Diversity Committee met the prior week to discuss the upcoming Juneteenth celebration event on June 18 at Harmon Park. She noted that the committee would have a booth at the Prairie Village Art Fair featuring a children’s poster contest for the holiday, and that Representative Sharice Davids would be the keynote speaker at the event.
- Mr. Cole Robinson stated that he had completed the Northeast Johnson County Chamber of Commerce’s “Leadership Northeast” program, along with Mr. Schwartzkopf and Human Resources Manager Cindy Volanti.

MAYOR’S REPORT

- The Mayor stated that he recently spoke with resident Gloria Steinzeig, who had lived in the City for 70 years. He helped her get in touch with staff to apply for the property tax rebate program.



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- The Mayor of Lawrence, Kansas sent a letter thanking the Prairie Village Police Department for assisting during the University of Kansas' basketball championship celebrations and parade.
- The Mayor and staff attended a recent meeting sponsored by the YMCA at which future plans for the facility were discussed.
- The Mayor noted that Kansas City Missouri Mayor Quentin Lucas was a guest at the Johnson County / Wyandotte County mayors' meeting. Mayor Lucas discussed ways that regional cities could cooperate to accomplish mutual goals. He also provided an update on the Kansas City International Airport reconstruction project.
- The Mayor attended United Community Services' board meeting on May 6. A panel presentation was given on the racial equity program.
- The Ukrainian Club had been invited to set up a booth at the July 4th VillageFest event.
- The Finance Committee met to discuss decision packages. Votes on each package would be taken at the next meeting.
- The Mayor recognized recent high school and college graduates.
- The Mayor congratulated the Shawnee Mission East boys' tennis team for once again winning the state championship.
- The Mayor stated he would attend the MARC Board meeting on May 24, and noted that he had been elected to fill retiring Westwood Hills Mayor Schwach's seat on the board.
- The Mayor noted that the Northeast Johnson County Chamber of Commerce would be holding a ribbon-cutting event for the newly opened Sherwin Williams store in Corinth Quarter.

STAFF REPORTS

- Mr. Jordan stated that 93 "walkie-talkie" radios had been procured for Dolyna, Ukraine, and that he was in the process of coordinating shipping.
- Ms. Buom said that the municipal pool complex would open on May 28, and that it was already fully staffed for the season. She noted that the Johnson County Parks and Recreation District (JCPRD) was not able to fill swimming instructor positions, and as a result, the first two sessions had been cancelled. Additionally, the JCPRD tennis instructor had resigned, and the district was working to fill the role. The City's junior tennis league season would still take place, however. Lastly, she reported that a record number of children had signed up for the swim team, and that more pool memberships had been sold than at the same date in 2021.
- Captain McCullough stated that a "safe internet exchange zone" had been installed in the City's parking lot by the skate park. The zone was intended to allow individuals to complete internet-based transactions in a safe environment.

OLD BUSINESS



There was no old business to come before the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

COU2022-43 Consider bid award for the installation of two electric vehicle charging stations to Teague Electric and transfer \$20,000 from Building Reserve to project ELEC2020

Mr. Bredehoeft said that the installation of electrical vehicle charging stations for public use at City Hall had been included in the CIP and approved by Council at its September 20, 2021, meeting. Each charging station unit would consist of two vehicle chargers, allowing four vehicles to be charged simultaneously. The chargers would operate on the “Charge Point” network, like those previously installed in Prairie Village.

The project was originally funded at \$20,000 in the 2020 budget based on cost estimates received from Evergy. Mr. Bredehoeft noted that current estimated costs were substantially higher:

- Pro Circuit Inc. \$38,614.25
- Teague Electric \$38,943.00

Although the bid from Teague Electric was \$328.75 greater, Mr. Bredehoeft stated that he felt Teague had a better understanding of the installation of charging stations, and that the company had previously installed the station at the Public Works facility.

Mrs. McFadden made a motion to approve the bid award for the installation of two electric vehicle charging stations to Teague Electric for \$38,943.00 and transfer \$20,000 from the building reserve fund to project ELEC2020. Ms. Wolf seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.

COU2022-46 Consider approval of design agreement with Lamp Ryneerson for the design of pool repairs for the lap and adult pools

Mr. Bredehoeft said that upon opening the pools in 2021, it was determined that the adult and lap pools, which share a surge pit and essentially function as a single pool, were losing a significant amount of water. After thorough leak detection was performed, repairs were made to two locations where the cast iron pipes had deteriorated. At the time, it was difficult for staff to determine how much of the rest of the 30-year-old piping was in a similar condition.

Mr. Bredehoeft said that Lamp Ryneerson had been selected to help design the project, and that the company’s aquatics division had provided significant assistance to the City in the past as a consultant for the entire pool complex. The proposed contract would include initial on-site surveys as well as document preparation. After a solution to replace the



pipng had been determined, a full set of construction drawings and specifications would be designed. The company would also provide basic construction services, attend meetings, and be available for questions as they arise.

Mr. Bredehoeft said that construction was expected to begin in October 2022, with full completion by the spring of 2023 prior to the opening of the pool complex.

Ms. Selders asked what the total cost of repairs would be. Mr. Bredehoeft stated that the budgeted number was roughly \$1,200,000, but that the presented agreement was only for the design portion, and that the proposal for the repairs themselves would need to come back to Council for approval.

Mrs. McFadden made a motion to approve the design agreement with Lamp Rynearson for the design of the pool repairs for the lap and adult pools in the amount of \$101,746. Ms. Wolf seconded the motion.

Ms. Selders asked if it was appropriate for the project to proceed while there was still on-going discussion about having an indoor pool facility at a potential civic center in the future. Mr. Bredehoeft stated that the outdoor lap pool was very popular with residents and was unlikely to be removed even if an indoor pool was constructed in the future.

After further discussion, a roll call vote was taken with the following votes cast: “aye”: Herring, C. Robinson, Selders, Nelson, Wolf, Limbird, D. Robinson, Shelton, McFadden, Graves, Gallagher. The motion passed 11-0.

Ms. Limbird made a motion for the City Council to move to the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nelson and passed 11-0.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

COU2022-44 Protocols for adding new agenda items

Mr. Jordan stated that the Council had last discussed the topic at its 2019 work session, at which the following protocols were developed:

- As duly elected representatives, each Council member had the right to raise any new issue, and make any motion (with a very few exceptions such as intentionally disruptive or defamatory topics) during new business at any Council meeting. Except in rare circumstances, these adopted “best practice” procedural guidelines would be voluntarily followed in the interest of good process.
- New items proposed by a Council member should generally be first raised at a Council Committee of the Whole (CCoW) meeting to determine whether there is enough support to warrant significant staff time and/or moving to a Council agenda.



Exceptions and clarifications:

- There should be a corresponding easy and transparent way for any Council member to raise an issue and seek to garner support at a CCoW meeting, including access to the CCoW agenda. For example, ensuring that a set “new business” agenda slot was included on every CCoW agenda where suggestions would be allowed, and if any two Council members request it in writing (via email) to the City Administrator, Council President, and Mayor at least a week in advance, an item will be specifically placed on a future CCoW agenda.
- As an exception, if there is a reasonable need or significant benefit for urgency, any Council member can raise an issue for the first time at a Council meeting during “new business” and seek to garner support there.
- The Mayor and staff retain the right to place any item on any Council or CCoW agenda and the discretion to adjust agendas based on the availability of key personnel. Additionally, agenda items may be added or removed to ensure an even distribution of workload at each meeting.

Mr. Herring agreed that a “new business” section should be included in CCoW agendas to allow for new items to be considered. The Mayor noted that emergency items, such as taking action quickly during the COVID pandemic, could be introduced to the Council during a meeting.

COU2022-45 Consider agreement with Transystems for traffic study on Nall Avenue from 67th Street to 75th Street

Mr. Bredehoeft said that the proposed agreement with Transystems would update the traffic study the company completed approximately 10 years prior on the Nall Corridor. The study would focus on the section of Nall Avenue from 67th Street to 75th Street to determine if reducing lanes from four to three would be appropriate, given the volume of traffic. Dedicated bike lanes required by the City’s bike/ped plans would also be included.

The result of the study would lay the foundation for the design used in the upcoming CARS project on the corridor, which was approved as part of the overall Prairie Village CARS submittal at the April 18th Council meeting for 2023, and would be a joint project with the City of Overland Park.

Ms. Limbird made a motion to recommend approval of the agreement with Transystems for traffic study on Nall Avenue from 67th Street to 75th Street in the amount of \$22,000. Ms. Selders seconded the motion, which passed 11-0.



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Ms. Limbird moved that the City Council end the Council Committee of the Whole portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shelton and passed 11-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were included in the Council meeting packet.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Mikkelsen declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Adam Geffert
City Clerk