

September 19, 2022

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Borowski at 5:45 pm.

The meeting was held at the City Council Chambers and electronically.

The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Members present: Randy Schissel, Emily Neal, Kirsten Olson, Steve Luse, Steven Zittergruen, Ross Hadley, and Kirk Johnson

Janelle Pavlovec at 507 West Main Street spoke regarding the volume of the council meetings. She feels that everyone needs to speak louder. She believes that 25-35% of conversation cannot be heard by the public.

Mayor Borowski read the Source Water Protection Week Proclamation.

Motion by Schissel and seconded by Olson to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- a. Minutes of the August 29, 2022, Work Session and September 6, 2022, Regular Meeting
- b. Claims
- c. Renewal of Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales for JT Haymarket LLC
- d. Renewal of Class E Liquor License with Class B Wine Permit, Class C Beer Permit and Sunday Sales for Decorah Mart

Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve the Kwik Star site plan with the amendment to include painting of sidewalks over the driveways, pump reduction from twenty pumps to sixteen pumps with the potential of 2 EV charges, smaller façade, more plantings and greenspace, sidewalk easement, and pedestrian crosswalk across College Drive. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Johnson, Neal, Olson, Hadley. Nays: Zittergruen, Luse. Motion carried.

Johnson made a motion to approve the Alliant Energy Operations Center site plan, Olson seconded the motion. City Engineer, Jeremy Brill, went over the plans of the site plan. Staff recommended approval of site plan. Roll call vote. Ayes: Johnson, Olson, Hadley, Schissel, Neal, Luse, Zittergruen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Luse made a motion to approve Resolution 3295 setting a public hearing on October 17, 2022, for amending Chapters 17.96 C-3 Central Business Commercial District Related to Principal Uses with the following additions:

A3-Liquor store, groceries & convenience stores, but not stores with liquid fueling stations

Under the Parking Garage Below Another Principal Permitted Use provided the following conditions are met:

C4-The front of the structure at Water Street level must be used for another principal permitted use other than a parking garage

C5-Ingress and egress access for parking garage must be located to the rear or the side of the structure

C8-Maximum number of parking garages located at the Water Street elevation in the district shall not exceed three permitted structures. There shall be no limitation on the number of parking garages located below Water Street elevation. The purpose of this provision is to satisfy the intent of the C-3 Central Business Commercial District to promote the efficient and compact development of the central business district for general retail and professional offices with a primary focus of businesses located at Water Street level and providing limited opportunity for providing parking to accommodate the principal permitted uses identified in Paragraph A. Zittergruen seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve and adopt Ordinance 1300 amending Chapters 17.08 and 17.52 related to loading and parking space requirements. Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried.

Schissel made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 1301 amending Sections 8.44.030, 8.44.040, and 8.44.050 related to yard waste. Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. All voting ayes. Motion carried. Schissel made a motion to waive the third reading and adopt Ordinance 1301, Neal seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Schissel, Neal, Olson, Johnson, Hadley, Zittergruen, Luse. Motion carried.

City Engineer, Jeremy Brill, led a discussion on possible changes to the snow removal ordinance. The changes would give the Street Commissioner or designee the authority to declare a snow or ice emergency at their discretion instead of based on inches of snow. The changes would also clarify the alternate side parking, including specific time frames of enforcement, and instructions on specific streets. Brill will prepare the information and formally present to Council at a later date.

Neal made a motion to approve the recommended wage increase of Sgt. Dustin Van Gundy with the increase being retroactive back to July 1, 2022. Luse seconded the motion. Roll call vote. Ayes: Neal, Luse, Schissel, Zittergruen, Olson, Hadley, Johnson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

Keri Sand
City Clerk-Finance Officer