

CITY OF HASTINGS
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
For informational purposes

Monday April 4, 2016

7:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
II. ROLL CALL **Mayor Hicks, Councilmembers Alongi, Schultz, Balsanek, Nelson, Braucks and Vaughan**

Staff: City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee
Administrative Services Director Julie Flaten
City Attorney Dan Fluegel
Police Chief Bryan Schafer
Public Works Director Nick Egger
City Engineer Ryan Stempki
Community Development Director John Hinzman
Parks & Recreation Director Chris Jenkins

III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Introduction of New Employees:
Diane Archer, Senior Accountant
Brady Endres, Parkkeeper II

Mesko Lee gave a brief overview of the hiring process and employees were introduced by their respective departments.

Swearing In of New Police Officer: Jordan Sitka
Chief Schafer introduced Officer Jordan Sitka and Flaten administered the oath.

Swearing In of New Hastings Police Reserves:
Erick Geske, Riley Tarrant, Jon Tracy, Brook Winter, Xeng Yang, Jacky Xiong
Chief Schafer introduced the new Hastings Police Reservists and Flaten administered the oath.

Welcome—Commander of the Minnesota National Guard 434th Chemical Company: Captain David Brown
Mayor Hicks introduced Captain David Brown and First Sergeant Blackwell.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meetings on March 21, 2016
Minutes approved as presented.

V. COUNCIL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the Consent Agenda are items of routine nature or no perceived controversy to be acted upon by the City Council in a single motion. There will be no discussion on these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the items will be removed from the Consent Agenda to the appropriate Department for discussion.

Schultz, Nelson to approve as presented.

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1. Pay Bills as Audited

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2. **Resolution 04-01-16** – Approve Premise Permit for Climb Theatre for Carbone’s Pizzeria, 1290 North Frontage Road, Hastings
3. **Resolution 04-02-16** – Accept Grant for Purchase of Outdoor Movie System
4. Doffing Estate Funds Request – Friends of the Pleasant Hill Library
5. Approve Agreement Regarding Water Service Lines and Waiver of Procedural Irregularity and Assessment Appeal – South Pines 8th Addition
6. Approve Budgeted Purchase of Riding Lawn Mowers
7. **Resolution 04-03-16** – 2016 Seal Coat Program – Approve Plans & Authorize Advertisement for Bids
8. 2016 Cul-de-sac Program and 2016 Crack Seal Program – Accept Solicitation of Quotes
9. **Resolution 04-04-16** – Approve Easement Agreement with State of MN – Vermillion River Greenway Trail Project
10. Accept Quotes & Authorize Work – 2016 Boulevard Turf Mowing
11. Approve Date Change for Young Life 5K to Saturday, June 4, 2016

VII. AWARDING OF CONTRACTS AND PUBLIC HEARING

These are formal proceedings that give the public the opportunity to express their concern, ask questions, provide additional information, or support on a particular matter. Once the public hearing is closed, no further testimony is typically allowed and the Council will deliberate amongst itself and with staff and/or applicant on potential action by the Council.

1. Award Contract – **Resolution 04-05-16** – Riverfront Renaissance Phase 3 Improvements
Egger introduced the item requesting Council approve a resolution awarding a contract for Phase 3 of the Riverfront Renaissance Improvements project. The City received three bids for this project on March 24th. Pember Companies, Inc. was the lowest bidder with \$2,921,380.75. After a reference check by City project consultant Bolton & Menk, staff recommends approval of Pember Companies, Inc. being awarded the contract. Construction is intended to being in April with substantial completion by early October. Council discussion on removal of alleys from project scope, state legislature funding, electrical work grant opportunities, and option of re-bidding project. Alongi, Vaughan to approve as presented.
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VIII. REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF

These items are intended primarily for Council discussion and action. It is up to the discretion of the Mayor as to what, if any, public comment will be heard on these agenda items.

A. Public Works

1. **Resolution 04-06-16** – Approve Plans, Order Improvements, & Authorize Advertisement for Bids – 2016 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements
Stempski introduced this item which requests Council to adopt a resolution ordering the 2016 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements, approving the plans, and authorize advertisement for bids. The Public Hearing for this project was conducted on March 21st. Staff was directed by Council to report back on issues in more detail at the April 4th City Council Meeting. Stempski explained the origin of the alley proposal, reduction of maintenance efforts, reduction of erosion and sediment in storm water, limiting of encroachments, opportunity to improve drainage, minimization

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of icing and increased safety, and cleaned up appearance and aesthetics. Parking and traffic impacts on surrounding streets was discussed.

Mayor Hicks allowed public comment in addition to the Public Hearing which was held on March 21st. Several neighbors spoke with concerns about the alleys, Baily Street traffic, additional stop signs, drainage, and safety.

Council discussion on the maintenance of alleys, necessity of paving alleys, Tyler and Baily Street traffic, addition of a stop sign, financial impact of removing alleys from project, and sediment run off.

Councilmember Alongi offered an amendment to remove the alley work from the project and add a stop sign on Tyler and 7th Streets. No second was received.

Addition of stop sign at Tyler and 7th will be brought back to the City Council in the future.

Roll call vote was taken on main motion.
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B. Community Development

1. Hastings Artspace Lofts (2nd & Tyler Streets):
 - a. **Resolution 04-07-16:** Preliminary & Final Plat Approval – Riverfront 2nd Addition
Alongi, Braucks to approve as presented.
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 - b. **Resolution 04-08-16:** Special Use Permit - 1st Floor Residential in the DC Zoning District
Balsanek, Vaughan to approve as presented.
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 - c. **Resolution 04-09-16:** Special Use Permit – Shoreland Ordinance – Multiple Family Building Exceeding Five Units and Impervious Surface Coverage Exceeding 25%
Vaughan, Braucks to approve as presented.
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 - d. **Resolution 04-10-16:** Site Plan - Construction of 37 live\work apartment units and commercial space
Council discussion on the Heritage Preservation Committee’s review of architecture of proposed building and some disappointment with design.
Schultz, Alongi to approve as presented.
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Balsanek voting nay
 - e. **Resolution 04-11-16:** Variance – Minimum Parking Requirements
Council discussion on parking during large events, future parking concerns and access to adjoining lot.
Balsanek, Braucks to approve as presented.
7-0

Hinzman introduced the items which requests actions related to Artspace Hastings Lofts, a three story mixed use building containing 37 live/work

apartment units for artists and 2,200 s.f. of retail space. HEDRA entered into a Purchase and Development agreement on June 17, 2015. The Planning Commission has previously unanimously approved the preliminary and final plat, special use permits, site plan and variance.

C. Administration

IX. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE

During this period of time, citizens may speak informally to the Council on subjects not on the agenda

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. REPORTS FROM CITY COMMITTEES, OFFICERS, COUNCILMEMBERS

- **Planning Commission** will meet on Monday, April 11th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- **Parks and Recreation Commission** will meet on Tuesday, April 12th at 6:00 p.m. at the Joint Maintenance Facility located at 920 West 10th Street.
- **HEDRA Commission** will meet on Thursday, April 14th at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- **Councilmember Balsanek and wife Betsy were wished a Happy 45th Wedding Anniversary.**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT 8:47 p.m.

Next Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, April 18, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.