

**CITY OF HASTINGS
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

Monday March 19, 2018

7:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. ROLL CALL** Mayor Hicks, Councilmembers Folch, Braucks, Leifeld, Lund, Vaughan, Balsanek

**Staff: City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee
Administrative Services Director Julie Flaten
City Attorney Dan Fluegel
Community Development Director John Hinzman
Public Works Director Nick Egger**

- III. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
Mayor Hicks stated Item #2 under Community Development: Consider Reversal of Decision by Administrative Official: Inpatient Treatment Facility – Schmitt (620 Ramsey Street) will be rescheduled to the April 16th City Council meeting. The applicant has withdrawn the request for the March 19th meeting, but has requested the item be heard at the April 16th Council meeting.

- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on March 5, 2018.
Minutes were 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.

Braucks, Folch to approve as presented.

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1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. **Resolution 03-04-18** – 2018 Budget Amendment
3. Approve Animal Ark 3K Walk/Run on May 19, 2018
4. Accept Sponsorship from Power Within Chiropractic for Storytime in the Park
5. 2018 EAB Preferred Vendor Proposal.
6. 2018-2022 Hastings Hawks Facility Agreement
7. Hastings Hawks Advertising Proposal
8. Order Feasibility Study & Authorize Preliminary Work – 2019 Infrastructure Improvements Program
9. **Resolution 03-05-18** – Support of Dakota County’s Application to the Corridors of Commerce Program
10. **Resolution 03-06-18** —Renewal of Type II Home Occupation Permit: Tent and Chair Rental – Shermon (3923 Martin Lane)

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Newly elected State Senator Karla Bingham introduced herself to the City Council.

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. Public Hearing - Vacation of Alley – Block 5 and 6 – Hudson Manufacturing
Hinzman explained during review of the Great Rivers Landing plat for recording, it was determined this small area of the alley was never vacated. The remaining portions of the alley were vacated as part of three separate actions dating back as early as 1927.
Public Hearing opened at 7:09
Bruce Reuter of 321 1st Street West shared concerns about ownership of the land to be vacated. Attorney Fluegel explained the City has done extensive research on this matter.
Public Hearing closed at 7:15
2. **Resolution 03-07-18** – Award Contract for Riverfront Renaissance Phase 3.1
Egger asked Council to adopt a resolution awarding a contract for Phase 3.1 of the Riverfront Renaissance, combining the Base Bid and Alternative No. 2, which will allow for burial of overhead utilities beneath the alley surface. Upon approval the contract will be awarded to Global Specialties.
Council discussion on Excel Energy’s charge vs. other utility companies, timeline for work, disruption to businesses and Rivertown Days, and communication to businesses.
Vaughan, Balsanek 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

B. Community Development

1. **Resolution 03-08-18** – Vacation of Alley – Block 5 and 6 – Hudson Manufacturing
Vaughan, Leifeld to approve as presented.
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2. **Resolution 03-09-18** – Consider Reversal of Decision by Administrative Official: Inpatient Treatment Facility – Schmitt (620 Ramsey Street)
Item will be considered at April 16th Council meeting.
3. Community Development Annual Report

Hinzman presented the highlights from the annual report emphasizing environmental cleanup at the Hudson site and the subsequent sale, HEDRA loan awards to facilitate redevelopment, ArtSpace Lofts construction, application statistics, and other data to summarize the development activity in Hastings.

C. Administration

1. 2018 Rivertown Days Agreement

Mesko Lee introduced the item requesting Council designate 2018 Rivertown Days as a special event. This is the 40th anniversary of the event and the Rivertown Days Committee has requested a significant change in the events location from prior years to provide increased walkability to main Rivertown Days events. Staff has worked with organizers to address accessibility and public safety elements of the new layout. The amount of in-kind City contribution will remain essentially the same as in previous years.

Kristy Barse, President of the Chamber of Commerce, provided a comprehensive explanation of the 2018 Rivertown Days events and changes.

Pete Likes, of 4th Street East shared concerns about access to East Side of Hastings by residents, marina patrons, and emergency vehicles on Tyler Street and traffic/parking during fireworks.

Another resident from 3rd Street East discussed traffic, East Side access from Tyler Street and business parking needs.

Council discussion on options for parking in downtown, carnival location, Tyler Street access, shuttle options, utility connections, generator use, fireworks location, labyrinth use, East Side resident concerns, parade route, and excitement for event to utilize riverfront. Vaughan, Balsanek to approve as presented.

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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

- City Council Workshop on Monday, March 26th at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall to discuss Vermillion Street.**
- Councilmember Folch provided a Dakota County Broadband group update.**

- **Thursday, March 22nd several councilmembers will attend the Legislative Conference at the League of Minnesota Cities.**
- **Thursday, March 22nd at 6:00 p.m. the Police Reservists banquet will be held at the Green Mill.**
- **Friday, March 23rd the 360 Communities luncheon will be held at Brackett's Crossing Country Club.**

XIII. ADJOURNMENT 8:28 p.m.

Next Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, April 2, 2018 7:00 p.m.