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The City of Eureka Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call were: Mayor Flower, Alderman Sir, Diekmann, Kilpatrick, Murray, Holloway and Ascrizzi.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Craig Sabo, City Attorney Kathy Butler, Chief Michael Wiegand and City Clerk Julie Wood.

There were twenty-nine (29) people in the audience both in person and online.

2. APPROVAL OF JUNE 7, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Ascrizzi and unanimously passed, the minutes of June 7, 2022 were approved.

3. PROPOSED POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

Police Chief Wiegand introduced Toree T. Kuekler, Jr. and recommended his appointment to the Eureka Police Department to replace Officer Jennifer Werges who was recently reassigned as school Resource Officer.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, Chief Wiegand's recommended appointment was approved.

4. GUEST PERIOD

A. Ron Kurtz, representing the Legion Post in Eureka, said the American Legion would like to be advocates to help advance the Veterans Memorial project that was started a few years ago. He inquired as to the current status of the project.

Mayor Flower said there is an account that has the money raised, so the funds are still secure. He said that there was an idea that the memorial could possibly be located at the new government center, adding that the memorial has stalled due to the delay of the Missouri American Water sale.

Mr. Kurtz said the Legion is happy to help support the memorial and would like to help.

City Attorney Butler said there have been some ideas for the memorial and she encouraged him to connect with the Veterans Committee to see what concepts have been developed.

Mr. Kurtz asked when they are ready to come back to the Board who should he communicate with.

Mayor Flower said to contact City Administrator Sabo with an update.

B. Tom Ferrari, of 17641 Rockwood Arbor Drive, said that he believes Howerton Road is very dangerous as it is now and is need of better signage to make it safer. Alderman Diekmann said the Eureka Police Department did a speed survey and signs are on order to make the road safer.

Mr. Ferarri also commended the staff for a great City concert as part of the BAM event.

5. PLANNING AND ZONING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM JUNE 15, 2022

A. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Crystal Frank for a Special Use Permit for a veterinary hospital at 215 Thresher Drive.

Ms. Frank gave a brief overview of the proposed facility. She stated she currently operates a mobile practice and through that she saw a need to open the hospital in Eureka.

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Ascrizzi and unanimously passed, the Special Use Permit was approved.

B. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Blake Hutchcraft, representing Scoreboard Automotive, for a Special Use Permit for motor vehicle and golf cart sales, service and repairs at 1375 West Fifth Street.

5. CONT'D.

Mr. Hutchcraft said he may also perform detailing services.

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Holloway and unanimously passed, the Special Use Permit was approved with the inclusion of detailing.

C. The Commission recommended approval of a petition initiated by the City of Eureka to amend the Planned Commercial zoning at 303 Walton Drive to allow for Special Use Permit consideration for a residential use in a commercial district.

6. BILL NO. 2773 RE: AMENDING PLANNED COMMERCIAL ZONING

On motion by Alderman Ascrizzi, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2773 was read for the first time by short title.

BILL NO. 2773: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PLANNED COMMERCIAL ZONING AT 303 WALTON DRIVE.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Kilpatrick and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2773 was read as amended for the second time by short title.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Holloway and unanimously passed, Bill No. 2773 was read for the third and final time.

Alderman Murray moved, THAT BILL NO. 2773 BE ADOPTED AS ORDINANCE BY ROLL CALL VOTE. The motion was seconded by Alderman Holloway.

The roll call vote was as follows: Alderman Diekmann - YES; Sir - YES; Murray - YES; Ascrizzi - YES; Kilpatrick - YES; Holloway - YES.

The motion for adoption was unanimously passed.

Mayor Flower declared Bill No. 2773 passed and designated it to be Ordinance No. 2659.

7. ADDITIONAL PLANNING AND ZONING RECOMMENDATION FROM JUNE 15, 2022

A. The Commission recommended approval of a petition from Grant M. Thornton for a Special Use Permit for a residential use in a commercial zoning district at 303 Walton Drive.

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Ascrizzi and unanimously passed, the Special Use Permit was approved.

8. BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION

Mayor Flower explained that this resolution is to amend the budget to reflect the actual spending and income for the fiscal year.

RESOLUTION NO. 6-21-22-1: A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FISCAL 2021-22 BUDGET TO REFLECT ACTUAL EVENTS WHICH TOOK PLACE DURING THE 2021-22 FISCAL YEAR.

On motion by Alderman Sir, seconded by Alderman Kilpatrick and unanimously passed, Resolution No. 6-21-22-1 was approved.

9. ARBORS OF ROCKWOOD - CID BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mayor Flower requested approval for the reappointment of Kevin Coffey, Barb Flint, Jeremy Roth, John Eilermann and Craig Sabo to The Arbors of Rockwood Community Improvement District Board of Directors.

On motion by Alderman Murray, seconded by Alderman Diekmann and unanimously passed, Mayor Flower's appointments were approved.

10. PROPOSED FISCAL 2022-2023 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Mayor Flower gave a brief overview of the proposed operating budget for 2022-2023. He said this budget excludes many special projects that can be approved in subsequent meetings. He explained that one of the goals of the budget is to eliminate many of the line items that were present in past budgets due to the water and sewer operation.

Alderman Kilpatrick inquired as to if the City will have the ability to track projects where Prop E funds and funds from the utility sale are used.

Mayor Flower said the utility sale will allow us to use an internal fund transfer for Prop E projects rather than financing them using an outside source, and then reimburse the that fund with future Prop E revenue.

Mayor Flower noted that the utility sale will most likely close on August 4, 2022.

11. APPROVAL OF CITY DISBURSEMENTS

The list of City disbursements was reviewed by the Board.

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Sir and unanimously passed, the list of City disbursements was approved for payment.

12. MAYORAL, ALDERMANIC AND STAFF COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Alderman Murray reported that the depth of the storm water basin was creating some concern from residents. She said residents were requesting a barrier to keep people safe. She also said many were requesting additional trees and landscaping to beautify the area.

Mayor Flower said the basin is still under construction and will be more of a gradual slope once the project is finished, and that some landscaping would be installed after the project is completed.

13. CALL FOR CLOSED SESSION

On motion by Alderman Diekmann, seconded by Alderman Murray and unanimously passed, a Closed Session was called for discussion of matters relating to attorney-client privilege, litigation, personnel and real estate matters.

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

16.

There being no further matters for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

For a record of the Closed Session Minutes at Item No. 14, see Minutes this date in the Closed Session File.

Respectfully submitted,

(Original with signature on file)

Julie Wood, City Clerk