

Present: Mayor – Joyce Hudson
Council members Jeff Kennedy
Jim Aden
Roger Dudley
City Administrator Bruce Clymer
City Clerk Connie L. Dalrymple
City Attorney Mike Bacon
Press: Gothenburg Times - Beth Barrett

Absent: Councilmember Jeff Whiting
Police Chief Randy Olson

Also present: Jeanne Janssen, Joan Windrum, Shane Gruber

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting and public hearing at 7:00 p.m. Advance notice and a copy of the agenda were given to the Council and members of the press. City Council meetings are conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is available for public inspection on the north wall of the Council Chambers.

The purpose of the public hearing was to determine the sufficiency of the petition presented for paving 22nd Street between Avenues H and J. The petition signatures represent 62% of the front footage on the street, excluding the City share of intersections.

Jeanne Janssen, Housing Authority Director, opposed the project on the basis of economic feasibility for the Housing Authority.

Dudley moved, Kennedy seconded, to close the hearing at 7:08 pm. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Kennedy, Dudley. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Kennedy moved, Aden seconded, to pass and approve Resolution 2007-13 validating the sufficiency of the petition resulting in the creation of Street Improvement District 100. Roll call vote: Yea – Dudley, Aden, Kennedy. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Dudley moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the consent agenda that included:

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Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Kennedy, Dudley. Nay - none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Dudley moved, Aden seconded, allowing payment of the claims against the City, \$70,241.80, except #1920; Public Works Division \$40,105.04; and the September 6 payroll of \$25,393.72. Roll call vote: Yea – Dudley, Aden, Kennedy. Nay - none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Aden moved, Dudley seconded, allowing payment of claim #1920 to Kennedy Landscape Services. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Dudley. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Open Forum:

- The Playground Committee consisting of Bruce Clymer, Shane Gruber, Joyce Hudson, Jennifer Wolf, Loren Block, and Anne Anderson met and decided to make Ehmen Park their focus this year. Any modifications have to meet ADA requirements, which adds to the cost. They will meet again September 13. The deadline for a Kiewit grant is October 1.
- The Park Manager ad will be published next week.

Since we no longer have dispatch services, the Dispatch Supervisor position should be eliminated. The job description has been changed to that of Police Secretary and will be offered to Ira Suhr. The change will be effective September 6.

Dudley moved, Aden seconded, to eliminate the Dispatch Supervisor position. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Aden, Dudley. Nay- none. Absent and not voting – Whiting.

Joan Windrum reported to Council that changes to the 2007-08 budget resulting from the budget work session have been incorporated into the budget, resulting in a levy of .0309218 for a tax asking of \$428,770.00.

Aden moved, Kennedy seconded, approving the 2007-08 budget document for public hearing on September 18 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Dudley, Aden. Nay – none. Absent and not voting - Whiting.

Kennedy moved, Dudley seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Aden, Dudley, Kennedy. Nay – none. Absent and not voting – Whiting. The next regular meeting will be September 18 at 7:00 p.m.