

Regular City Council Meeting  
City Council Chambers

April 21, 2020  
5:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor	Joyce Hudson
Council Members	Randy Waskowiak
	Verlin Janssen
	Jay Richeson
	Jeff Kennedy
City Administrator	Gary Greer
City Clerk	Brandi Kloopping
Assistant City Attorney	Colten Venteicher

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen  
*Gothenburg Times* – Eric Vicarro

Also present: Loren Block, Christopher Stoddard, Officer Kyle Carlson, Crystal McGee.

Mayor Hudson opened the meeting and public hearing at 5:30 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 meeting was held via zoom.

Andy Hilbers wants to build a house on the last lot in the Hilltop Estates Subdivision. We had a good turn around on his last house and need to approve a redevelopment plan.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:32 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy, Waskowiak. No – None.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Resolution 2020-5 to approve the redevelopment plan for CRA Lot 4 project. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy. No – None.

Loren Block stated that he wants to extend a nonconforming structure by adding on to the eastside of his house with living and garage space. The alley closure was the first step in making this work. He plans to remove the front porch and stoop. He wants to add to the garage to keep the vehicles inside so they don't cross a proposed sidewalk even though there is not a sidewalk there now.

Waskowiak moved, Richeson seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:38 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson, Waskowiak. No – None.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve SUP #154 house addition. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Waskowiak, Richeson. No – Kennedy.

Christopher Stoddard would like to put up a building. Planning and zoning recommended it to the Council. Stoddard has a purchase agreement set up to buy the property if he is able to build his garage. He plans to do a 30 x 50 and there has been no opposition from neighbors in the area.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:44 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Waskowiak, Janssen, Kennedy. No – None.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve the SUP #155 for personal garage. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy. No – None.

Jim Aden would like to change the use of his building to an ag chemical warehouse. The planning and zoning recommended it to Council.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:45 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Waskowiak, Kennedy, Janssen. No – None.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve the SUP #156 for change in use of a building. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – None.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- Council Minutes – April 7
- Planning & Zoning minutes – March 10
- Building Permit Report – March
- Police Report – March
- Treasurer's Report - February

Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. No - none.

Richeson moved, Waskowiak seconded, allowing payment of claims against the City, \$50,980.21; Public Works Division \$375,356.21; the April 8 payroll of \$32,913.65. Roll call vote: Yea - Kennedy, Janssen, Waskowiak, Richeson. No - none.

Community Comments:

- Administrator Greer stated the city has a split schedule with staff and everything is moving slowly.
- The Arbor Day Foundation grant is going good and the end of the trees will go out on Wednesday and Saturday.

Officer Kyle Carlson stated he was dispatched to 20<sup>th</sup> and Avenue I on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. and the dog was sitting in the front yard of Crystal McGee. The dog was originally in the yard north of 20<sup>th</sup> Street and ran toward and barked at the person walking. The dog was aggressive at the vet and made its mouth bleed from biting at the pole. Officer Carlson stated there had been multiple calls on the dog with at least 5 citations since 2018. There were multiple calls that the dog could not be located or was already back in its yard. It is a Pitbull and there had been at least 14 calls from 2015-19. Part of the wording for a dangerous dog is one that chases or approaches a person upon the streets, sidewalks or any public grounds in a menacing fashion or apparent attitude of

attack. Crystal McGee stated that some of the calls were on her other dog and that she has this one as a licensed mental health dog.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to deem the dog potentially dangerous. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. No – None.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve Resolution 2020-4 to appoint Gary Greer to LASWA. Roll call vote: Richeson, Janssen, Kennedy, Waskowiak. No – None.

The Sun Theater wants to have movie night at Curbtender during the COVID-19 Pandemic and also while they renovate. The licensing company would like the City Council to give approval that they know and the theater will follow current guidelines for the virus. The movies will be watched from their own vehicles on the side of the building.

Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to allow the Sun Theater to show movies on the building at Curbtender as long as they follow the current guidelines. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – None.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve payment of \$1,451.20 to GOTH01 & Dan Wenger. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Waskowiak, Kennedy, Richeson. No – None.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve payment of \$100.00 to GOTH01. Roll call vote: Yea – Waskowiak, Richeson, Kennedy, Janssen. No – None.

Waskowiak moved, Richeson seconded, to approve payment of \$1,440.00 to GOTH13 & Eickmeier Construction. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Kennedy, Richeson, Waskowiak. No – None.

Janssen moved, Waskowiak seconded, to approve payment of \$3,510.00 to GOTH04 & Eickmeier Construction. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Richeson, Waskowiak, Janssen. No – None.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve payment of \$474.62 to CDS Inspections for OOR 16-HO-33067. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Waskowiak, Kennedy, Richeson. No – None.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Drawdown #24 for \$5,299.66 for OOR 16-HO-33067. Roll call vote: Yea – Richeson, Waskowiak, Janssen, Kennedy. No – None.

Waskowiak moved, Kennedy seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson, Kennedy, Waskowiak. No - none.

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Joyce Hudson, Mayor

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Brandi Klopping, City Clerk