

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor  
Council Members

Will Rahjes  
Jeff Kennedy  
Jay Richeson  
Verlin Janssen  
Colten Venteicher  
Gary Greer  
Jill A. Rubenthaler

Not Present:

J Buddenberg

Assistant City Attorney  
City Administrator  
Deputy City Clerk  
Press: *None*

Also present: Shane Gruber, Austin Partridge, Bernie Straetker, Shawn Boyd, Shiloh Schultz, Dan Butterfield, Linda Butterfield, and Clifford Freeze.

Mayor Rahjes opened the meeting 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.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A public hearing was opened at 5:30 to consider approval of Resolution 2024-6 Storage Unit Expansion Redevelopment Plan.

Colten Venteicher discussed the proposed redevelopment plan which would be a 40-unit structure south of Carquest. The project lot is owned by Nate Wyatt and would be \$285,000.00 with a request for TIF funding of \$60,000.00. This is all dependent on a re-zoning from C-2, so if that fails to happen, then the TIF project would not happen.

Richeson moved, Kennedy seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:34 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Resolution 2024-6 Storage Unit Expansion Redevelopment Plan. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- a) City Council minutes – March 5
- b) Police Report - February
- c) Treasurer Report - February
- d) Planning & Zoning minutes – March 12
- e) Building Permits - February
- f) Library Statistical Report - February
- g) Library Director's Report – January 9 through March 11
- h) Annual Library Report – October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023
- i) Community Redevelopment Authority Minutes – March 13

Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, allowing payment of claims against for the General Fund \$61,422.27; Enterprise Fund \$480,535.85; March 20 payroll of \$55,579.07, and Payroll Transmittals of \$48,9471.82, except for Claims 22924012, 31924020, and 22424017. Roll call

vote: Yea –Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

Kennedy moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Claim #22924012. Roll call vote: Yea –Kennedy, Janssen. Abstain – Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, to approve Claims #31924020 and #22424017. Roll call vote: Yea – Janssen, Richeson. Abstain – Kennedy. No – none. Absent and not voting – Buddenberg. Motion carried.

Claims Codes: Bu- Building Upkeep, Eq-Equipment, Ex-Expense, Ma-Maintenance, Mi-Mileage, Misc-Miscellaneous, Re-Repairs, Se-Service, Su-Supplies, Ut-Utilities, CI-Capital Improvement, GU-Grounds Upkeep, Reim-Reimbursement, Tax-Tax, Ps-Personnel, Du-Dues.

General Fund Claims: AT&T Mobility II LLC \$601.92 Ut; CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT \$77.26 Ma; DEERE & COMPANY \$13,246.31 Ci; GT DISTRIBUTORS, INC. \$762.81 Su; INGRAM BOOK COMPANY \$386.67 Ma; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL / FARM PLAN \$2,699.71 Ma; LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES \$30.00 Ex; LIBRARY \$85.91 Ex; NEBRASKA CITY/COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOC \$592.00 Du; NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT TRNG CTR \$29.00 Ex; NEBRASKA STATE FIRE MARSHALL \$120.00 Bu; NORTH PLATTE TELEGRAPH \$624.00 Ma; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$144.40 Ps; NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE \$201.12 Ps; CARD SERVICES \$2,600.39 Ut; ALL STAR AUTO GLASS \$289.70 Re; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$720.02 Su; ARAMARK \$89.66 Se; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$247.00 Se; Black Hills Energy \$319.91 Ut; BRODART CO. \$19.15 Su; CASELLE, INC. \$313.75 Se; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$3,130.49 Ex; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$70.61 Ut; DOLLAR GENERAL \$40.75 Su; EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS \$296.65 Su; EASTSIDE ANIMAL CENTER \$246.61 Se; EMERGENCY MEDICAL PRODUCTS, INC. \$339.80 Su; Essential Screens \$80.97 Se; GOTHENBURG PONY EXPRESS ASSOCIATION LLC

\$15,000.00 Se; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$105.80 Su; HIRE RIGHT LLC \$48.15 Se; Honey Bee Cleaning Services LLC \$713.75 Se; Irby Electrical Distributor \$962.04 Bu; JEFFREY KENNEDY – FIRE \$1,347.75 Se; KIRK'S TRENCHING & SEPTIC SERVICE \$150.00 Se; Midwest Turf & Irrigation \$183.20 Gu; NEBRASKA SALT & GRAIN \$2,086.13 Ma; NewsBank \$1,484.00 Ma; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC \$192.50 Se; PAULSEN INC \$837.10 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$41.91 Su; PLATTE VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS \$825.34 Re; PONY EXPRESS CHEVROLET \$1,074.59 Re; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$4,578.49 Ut; Quadient Finance USA, Inc \$1,000.00 Ex; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$232.54 Re; SYNDICATE PUBLISHING LLC \$236.41 Ex; WEATHERCRAFT COMPANIES \$516.00 Bu; YMCA OF THE PRAIRIE \$1,400.00 Ps.

Enterprise Fund Claims: AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION \$75 Du; AT & T MOBILITY II LLC \$202.93 Ut; DESTINY VINZANT \$170.72 Reim; JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL/FARM PLAN \$418.98 Su; KADE MASON \$237.60 Reim; M J TRAILERS LLC. \$7,300.00 Re; RT ACE, LLC #18157 \$21.99 Su; SERVI TECH, INC. \$168.00 Se; WADE VITER \$7,000.00 Ma; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$3,734.03 Su; ARAMARK \$229.74 Se; BLACK HILLS ENERGY \$662.83 Ut; BLACKBURN MFG. CO. \$435.78 Ma; CASELLE, INC. \$941.25 Se; CITY OF GOTHENBURG \$129,999.69 Reim; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$1,910.63 Ex; DAN WENGER \$195.00 Re; ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING & EQUIPMENT COMPANY \$125.36 Ci; ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS SOUTH \$437.37 Se; GOTHENBURG IRRIGATION \$88.2 Ma; GOTHENBURG TIRE & SERVICE \$128.90 Re; HICKEN LUMBER CO. \$3,312.78 Ex; HONEY BEE CLEANING, LLC \$881.25 Se; ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO. \$111.36 Ma; JEFF KENNEDY-FIRE \$284.75 Se; MSI \$2,000.00 Ci; NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER \$275,956.17 Ut; NELSON'S APPLIANCE REPAIR \$885.00 Eq; OLIVER CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. \$52.50 Se; ONE CALL CONCEPTS, INC. \$28.72 Se; PAULSEN BUILDING & SUPPLY \$2,431.00 Ma; PETERSON'S SUPERMARKET \$31.47 Ex; PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION \$10,845.61 Ut; S & S AUTO PARTS INC. \$739.51 Su; TRYON WELDING \$5,309.49 Ci; VERMEER HIGH PLAINS \$54.53 Re; WESCO DISTRIBUTION INC \$20,832.90 Ci; CARD SERVICES \$1,294.81 Ex.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$17,420.76; Department of Revenue \$18,057.22 Ps; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$8,552.08 Ps; AFLAC \$766.32 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$738.94 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$126.92 Ps; Healthcare Cafeteria \$2,824.28 Ps; Gothenburg United Fund \$26.00 Ps; Credit Management Service \$163.43 Ps; County Court of Buffalo \$224.21 Ps; Dependent care Cafeteria \$41.66 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

City Administrator Greer reminded the Council that the Strategic Planning Session is scheduled for noon on March 26.

City Administrator Greer said that the Library is hosting a Garden Container Class on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

City Administrator Greer stated that 1 Transmitter for 'Project Lifesaver' has already been issued.

City Administrator Greer reported that the contractors are in town constructing playgrounds at both Lake Helen and EG West. They will also finish the Splash Pad.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Administrator Greer discussed the 2024 Infrastructure Program 126-A1-042. Bernie Straetker from Miller & Associates stated what the project involved. Two Bids were submitted: One from Paulsen's for 4,767,306.00 to complete which would be completed in Summer 2025 and one from Nielson's 4,548,895.99 which would be completed by December 2024.

Janssen moved, Kennedy seconded, to approve the base, Alternative A and Alternative B bids submitted by Nielson Construction for the 2024 Infrastructure Program 126-A1-042. Yea – Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed a contract to provide commercial cleaning services with Honey Bee Cleaning LLC.

Kennedy moved, Richeson seconded, to approve contract to provide commercial cleaning services with Honey Bee Cleaning LLC. Yea – Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Resolution 2024-7 FSA Plan Document and Summary Plan for 2024.

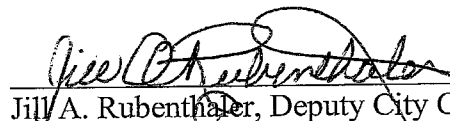
Janssen moved, Richeson seconded, to approve Resolution 2024-7 FSA Plan Document and Summary Plan. Yea – Kennedy, Janssen, Richeson. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.

Mayor Rahjes introduced the Liability Claim for sewer repairs from David Smith. He then stated that the claim was to be turned into our insurance for approval or denial and did not require Council approval.

Richeson moved, Janssen seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Kennedy, Richeson, Janssen. No – none. Absent and not voting-Buddenberg. Motion carried.



Will Rahjes, Mayor



Jill A. Rubenthaler, Deputy City Clerk