

ROLL CALL:

Present:	Not Present:
Mayor	Verlin Janssen
Council Members	Lonnie Warner
	J Buddenberg
	Jay Richeson
	Aaron Colwell
City Attorney	Mike Bacon
City Administrator	Gary Greer
City Clerk	Misty Bussinger

Press: *Gothenburg Leader* – Ellen Mortensen

Also present: Shawn Boyd, Charles McGraw-Ryde, Casey Metzger, Colten Venteicher.

Mayor Janssen 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 2025-1 Metzger Housing Project Redevelopment Plan.

Colten Venteicher discussed the proposed redevelopment plan which would be a 1500 sqft single housing project. Venteicher and Bacon discussed Tax Increment Financing rules and regulations. This will be an estimated \$45,000 TIF project for the construction of a house for a proposed sale price of \$295,000. Venteicher answered questions from the council regarding school and this new approach of new construction versus house flipping, and if any concerns with it selling with other new housing.

Richeson moved, Colwell seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:52 p.m. Roll call vote: Yea – Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Richeson moved, Buddenberg seconded, to approve Resolution 2025-1 Metzger Housing Project Redevelopment Plan. Roll call vote: Yea –Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – Warner. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Buddenberg moved, Warner seconded, approving the consent agenda that included:

- a) City Council minutes-January 7
- b) Treasurer Report-December
- c) Police Report – December
- d) Planning & Zoning minutes – January 14
- e) Building Permits – December
- f) Library Statistical Report- December
- g) Library Director’s Report – November 12 through January 14
- h) Cemetery Board Reports -December
- i) Community Redevelopment Authority Minutes- January 15
- j) Approve Application and Certificate for Payment #6 for \$215,215.21 from Capital Projects to Nielsen Contracting for 2024 Infrastructure 126-A1-042.

Roll call vote: Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

CLAIMS:

Richeson moved, Colwell seconded, allowing payment of claims against the General Fund \$25,818.09; Special Funds \$5,573.48; Enterprise Fund \$362,778.60; January 8 payroll of \$59,785.91 and Payroll Transmittals of \$32,800.05. Roll call vote: Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. 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 \$568.34 Ut; Bound Tree Medical LLC \$516.36 Su; Center Point Inc. \$131.15 Ma; Community Development Office \$610.00 Ex; Gall's Parent Holdings LLC \$796.02 Ex; Ingram Book Company \$262.48 Ma; John Deere Financial f.s.b \$525.53 Re, Misc, Su; LAW ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS \$292.00 Su; League Association of Risk Management \$231.19 Ex; LIBRARY \$106.75 Ex; NEBRASKA SNOW EQUIPMENT \$1,446.64 Re; Postmaster \$188.00 Ex; Tracey W Bell \$790.00 Re; Transunion Risk and Alternative Data Sol \$120.00 Du; Vestis \$85.03 Se; Western Surety Company \$700.00 Se; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$529.02 Misc, Ma, Su; BACON, VINTON, & VENTEICHER LLC \$280.00 Ex; Black Hills Gas Distribution LLC \$344.81 Ut; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$2,395.72 Ex; CUBBY'S INC \$98.28 Ex; Darin Oliver \$657.06 Su; DAWSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS \$90.00 Se; DAWSON PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT \$134.36 Ut; DOLLAR GENERAL \$12.25 Su; Eakes Inc. \$141.78 Su; Eustis 66 Service Inc. \$15.00 Se; Honey Bee Cleaning Services LLC \$725.00 Se; MICHAEL TODD & COMPANY \$4,529.57 Ma; Mid-States Organized Crime Information C \$100.00 Du; Midwest Truck & Trailer Repair Inc. \$1.66 Re; Peterson's Supermarket Inc. \$12.28 Su; Public Works Division \$5,053.11 Ut; Reliable Pest Control Services Inc. \$60.00 Se; Richard M Crown \$1,200.00 Se; RT ACE, LLC #18157 \$116.43 Misc, Bu, Su; Syndicate Publishing LLC \$190.41 Ex, Su; T & T Corporation \$260.00 Se; Taproot P.C. \$168.00 Se; Tryon Welding Inc. \$50.86 Re; YMCA of the Prairie \$1,283.00 Ps.

Special Fund Claims: First Concord Benefits Group \$2,025.39 Ps, City of Gothenburg \$408.92 Reim; Hometown Leasing \$139.17 Ex; Wade Viter Inc \$3,000.00 Se.

Enterprise Fund Claims: AMBER LUBBEN \$169.80 Reim; AT & T MOBILITY II LLC \$203.05 Ut; AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS CO. \$1,051.25 Re; Credit Management Services Inc. \$337.53 Se; DAVE TOBABEN \$159.80 Reim; Gator Road Repair LLC \$1,870.49 Re; HERB DOERING \$2,400.00 Reim; J BUDDENBERG \$600.00 Reim; John Deere Financial f.s.b \$235.51 Misc, Su, Re, Ma; League Association of Risk Management \$1,375.55 Ex; MH Logistics Corp \$1,680.00 Re; Municipal Supply Inc. \$444.57 Ma; Vestis \$236.34 Se; ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC. \$10,318.53 Re; AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES \$733.30 Eq, Misc, Su; Black Hills Gas Distribution LLC \$1,137.62 Ut; City of Gothenburg \$56,157.55 Reim; Consolidated Electrical Distributors Inc. \$396.47 Ma; COUNTRY PARTNERS COOPERATIVE \$1,524.45 Ex; DAN'S SANITATION, INC \$20.72 Reim; Darin Oliver \$1,124.34 Su; DAWSON COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS \$16.00 Misc; Honey Bee Cleaning Services LLC \$975.00 Se; Nebraska Public Power District \$271,308.44 Ut; NMC Inc. \$321.57 Re; Paulsen Inc. \$656.00 Re; Peterson's Supermarket Inc. \$19.98 Misc; Public Works Division \$6,847.29 Ut; Reliable Pest Control Services Inc. \$90.00 Se; RT ACE, LLC #18157 \$367.45 Ma.

Payroll Transmittals: INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE \$19,351.62 Tax; EMPOWER RETIREMENT \$9,125.45 Ps; AFLAC \$788.80 Ps; NEBRASKA CHILD SUPPORT \$348.01 Ps; South Dakota Division of C \$126.92 Ps; Healthcare Cafeteria \$2,699.16 Ps; Credit Management Servis \$360.09 Ps.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Greer stated the Red Sand project starts next week. The project is for awareness for human trafficking and they will be filling the cracks around town with red sand.

Greer made council aware of the lead and copper rule being discussed in legislature and the effects it will have the community.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Charles McGraw -Ryde discussed Resolution 2025-3 Ryde Transit Funding 2025-2026. This will be for \$2,100.00 for 2025-2026.

Warner moved, Richeson seconded to Resolution 2025-3 Ryde Transit Funding 2025-2026. Roll call vote: Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Resolution 2025-2 Personnel Policy 2025 Update. This included 9 changes to titles, Unpaid Leave, Call In and On Call, Vacation after sick, Evaluations, HR to Employee Relations, operating equipment with no license. The council asked questions regarding the ETO and Call In/On Call changes and were answered by City Administrator.

Richeson moved, Warner seconded to approve Resolution 2025-2 Personnel Policy 2025 Update. Roll call vote: Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

City Administrator Greer discussed Easement from Terry Jessen, President of Gothenburg Holding Company Inc to the City for utilities.

Buddenberg moved, Colwell seconded to approve the Easement from Terry Jessen, President of Gothenburg Holding Company Inc to the City for utilities. Roll call vote: Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Buddenberg moved, Richeson seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Yea –Warner, Buddenberg, Richeson, Colwell. No – none. Motion carried.

Verlin Janssen

Verlin Janssen, Mayor

Misty Bussinger

Misty Bussinger, City Clerk