



GRINNELL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.
VIA ZOOM

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

1) **Call to Order:**

2) **Perfecting and Approval of Agenda:**

3) **Consent Agenda:**

1. Previous minutes as drafted from the Monday, August 17, 2020 Regular Session.
2. Previous minutes as drafted from the Monday, August 24, 2020 Special Session.
3. Previous minutes as drafted from the Wednesday, August 26, 2020 Special Session.
4. Approve city claims and payroll claims from August 4, 2020 through and including September 8, 2020 in the amount of \$1,542,073.38.
5. Accept Resignation of Volunteer Fire Fighter Ben Barr.
6. Approve Kelly Fosse as a new member of Grinnell Volunteer Fire Department.
7. Approve Liquor License renewals:
 1. Trustees of Grinnell College, 1115 8th Ave.
 2. Peace Tree Brewing Company, 923 Main St.
 3. Rabbitt's Tavern, 721 4th Ave.
 4. Lucky Cat coffee and daiquiri bar, 619 5th Ave.
 5. Hotel Grinnell (ownership change), 925 Park St.

8. Review Campbell Fund requests.

**All items listed under the consent agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time Council votes on the motion.*

4) **Meeting Minutes and Communications:**

- a) Finance Committee minutes: August 17, 2020.
- b) Public Works & Grounds Committee minutes: August 17, 2020.
- c) Civil Service minutes: August 6, 2020.
- d) Library Board minutes: July 22, 2020.
- e) Parks & Recreation Board minutes: August 24, 2020.

5) **Committee Business:**

A. Report from the Finance Committee

- 1. Consider approval of resolution Ratifying the Acceptance of a Proposal to Purchase \$3,190,000 (Dollar Amount Subject to Change) General Obligation Refunding Capital Loan Notes, Series 2020B (See Resolution No. 2020-145).
- 2. Consider approval of resolution Appointing Paying Agent, Note Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent and Note Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Agreement for \$5,000,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2020A (See Resolution No. 2020-146).
- 3. Consider approval of resolution approving and authorizing a form of Loan Agreement and authorizing and providing for the issuance, and levying a tax to pay the Notes; Approval of the Tax Exemption Certificate and Continuing Disclosure Certificate for \$5,000,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes, Series 2020A (See Resolution No. 2020-147).
- 4. Consider approval of resolution Appointing Paying Agent, Note Registrar, and Transfer Agent, Approving the Paying Agent and Note Registrar and Transfer Agent Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of the Agreement for \$3,125,000 General Obligation Refunding Capital Loan Notes, Series 2020B (See Resolution No. 2020-148).
- 5. Consider approval of resolution approving and authorizing a form of Loan Agreement and authorizing and providing for the issuance, and levying a tax to pay the Notes; Approval of the Tax Exemption Certificate and Continuing Disclosure Certificate for \$3,125,000 General Obligation Refunding Capital Loan Notes, Series 2020B (See Resolution No. 2020-149).
- 6. Consider approval of resolution requesting reimbursement from the Iowa COVID-19 Government Relief Fund in the amount of \$184,984.32 (See Resolution No. 2020-150).
- 7. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #1 and Action Plan: More targeted and aggressive public/city investment to accomplish economic development priorities – partner with others to expand resource options.
- 8. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #3 and Action Plan: Update job descriptions, compensation study, and success planning.
- 9. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #12: Consider ways to utilize Campbell Fund to address root problems of poverty in Grinnell.
- 10. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #15: Financial software that allows real time access to budget information and payroll data entry.
- 11. Consider resolution for monthly internal transfers of funds (See Resolution No. 2020-151).

12. Consider resolution for monthly transfers of funds for trust and agency (See Resolution No. 2020-152).

B. Report from the Public Works and Grounds Committee

1. Consider resolution authorizing payment of contractor's pay request No. 8 in the amount of \$355,651.13 to Manatts, Inc. of Brooklyn, Iowa for the Runway Rehabilitation Project (See Resolution No. 2020-153).
2. Consider resolution authorizing payment of contractor's pay request No. 1 in the amount of \$136,916.17 to Peterson Contractors, Inc. of Reinbeck, Iowa for the 16th Avenue Culvert Project (See Resolution No. 2020-154).
3. Consider request from Joshua Burnham asking to not connect to City water and sewer at 199 – 380th Ave.
4. Review South Water Tower Site Geotechnical Investigation Findings and consider moving forward with the project.
5. Consider Windstream ROW request, Industrial Ave.
6. Consider Alliant ROW request, Penrose St. to Oak St. on Hwy 6.
7. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #6 and Action Plan: Greatly improved sidewalks in a public / private partnership. Analyzing approach to replacement.
8. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #13: Develop policy to code enforcement and contractor responsibility, especially right-of-way permits.
9. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #17: Develop pilot program to disconnect footing drains.
10. Discuss work related to 2020 Derecho.
11. Discuss process and identify partners to develop a tree replanting plan.
12. Consider a moratorium on new tree plantings in the public rights-of-way until January 1, 2021.

C. Report from the Public Safety Committee

1. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #4 and Action Plan: Consider hiring a third-party consultant to analyze current EMS Operations and create a long-term strategic plan.
2. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #5 and Action Plan: County-wide 700-800 MHz digital radio system. County wide and interoperable communications in equal partnership with EMS agencies, fire departments, other cities, and the County. Development and implementation of new public safety communication system.

D. Report from the Planning Committee

1. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #2 and Action Plan: Strong support for initiatives that expand housing options (type, cost, location, etc.).
2. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #7 and #9 (items were combined): Work with Chamber to develop multimedia promotional items and appoint a communications director/social media coordinator.
3. Update on Strategic Plan Initiative #11: Update Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinances.

6) Ordinances (third reading)

- a) Ordinance No. 1485 - An ordinance amending the provisions pertaining to animal regulations – tampering with rabies tag (legislative update).
- b) Ordinance No. 1486 - An ordinance amending the provision pertaining to simple misdemeanor fine (legislative update).
- c) Ordinance No. 1487 - An ordinance amending the provisions pertaining to tobacco regulations

(legislative update).

7) **Inquiries:**

8) **Adjourn**