



GRINNELL CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
**MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023, AT 7:00 P.M.**  
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON THE 2ND FLOOR OF CITY HALL AND  
VIA ZOOM

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## **MINUTES**

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Mayor Agnew called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following council members present: White, Bly, Davis (via zoom), Wray, Hueftle-Worley, Gaard.

White made the motion, seconded by Gaard, to approve the agenda as presented. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Gaard, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Previous minutes as drafted from the Monday, August 7, 2023, Regular Session.
- b) Approve Liquor License renewals:
  1. Rabbitt's Tavern, 721 4<sup>th</sup> Ave.
  2. Hotel Grinnell, 925 Park St.
- c) Approve hiring Dora Pimentel as Library Circulation Clerk at a rate of \$15.09 per hour.
- d) Approve hiring Alexander Sasha Grigorovich as Library Circulation Clerk at a rate of \$15.09 per hour.
- e) Approve promotion of Grace Glass to Library Circulation Clerk at a rate of \$15.09 per hour.
- f) Approve hiring of Duane Neff as a part-time Property Manager at a rate of \$55.51 per hour.
- g) Approve hiring of Blake Honeycutt as a patrol officer at a rate of \$30.20 per hour.
- h) Approve the resignation of Jacob Cuppy from the Grinnell Police Department effective September 15, 2023.
- i) Review Campbell Fund requests.

Roll call vote AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Mayor Agnew swore in Patrol Officer, Blake Honeycutt.

The Council acknowledged receipt of the previous meeting minutes and communications as follows:

- a) Finance Committee minutes: August 7, 2023.
- b) Public Works & Grounds Committee minutes: August 7, 2023.
- c) Public Safety Committee minutes: August 7, 2023.
- d) Planning Committee minutes: August 7, 2023.
- e) July 2023 Treasurer's Report.
- f) July 2023 Monthly Police Report.

## **Public Hearing**

The Mayor announced this is the time and place for the public hearing regarding the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with 606 Stagecoach, LLC.

The Mayor then asked the Clerk whether any written or oral objections had been filed by any residents or property owners regarding the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with 606 Stagecoach, LLC.

The Deputy City Clerk advised the Mayor and City Council that no written or oral objections had been filed regarding the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with 606 Stagecoach, LLC.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by White to close the public hearing regarding the proposal to enter into a Development Agreement with 606 Stagecoach, LLC. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

### **Finance Committee**

Wray made the motion, seconded by White, to approve Resolution No, 2023-177. A resolution fixing date for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a Forgivable Loan Agreement with 10 Mile, Inc. (Grin City Bakery). AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Wray made the motion seconded by Bly to approve Resolution No. 2023-178. A resolution approving a cooperative agreement between the City of Grinnell on behalf of the Grinnell Human Rights Commission and the Iowa Civil Rights Commission. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Wray made the motion, seconded by White to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1536. An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grinnell, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to fiscal management. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Wray made the motion, seconded by Bly, to approve a special request for the Campbell Fund from MICA Food Pantry in the amount of \$15,000.00. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Update on the Sapphire Lake economic development project. No action was taken.

### **Public Works and Grounds Committee**

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Gaard, to approve the request from Poweshiek Water Association regarding providing service at 152 385<sup>th</sup> Ave. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Hueftle-Worley made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve Resolution No. 2023-179. A resolution awarding contract for the Emergency Water Connect to Thorpe Contracting, LLC of Adel, Iowa in the amount of \$225,960.00. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

### **Public Safety Committee**

White made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley, to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 1537. An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grinnell, Iowa by amending provisions pertaining to liquor licenses and cigarette and tobacco permits. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

White made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley to direct staff, including the police chief, to prepare a proposal and budget for incentives and other ideas for retention and recruitment of our current and future officers. With details of current and future residency within and outside of the City of Grinnell for the good of all concerned for the future of all. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

## **Planning Committee**

Bly made the motion, seconded by Gaard to direct planning staff to come up with a sidewalk improvement plan. In the next two years tis plan will utilize the budgeted amount to focus on those who volunteer to replace or add sidewalk and filling in gaps surrounding school routes. We will utilize the cost sharing suggestions as noted in the draft prepared by the staff. AYES: 5-1. Motion carried.

Bly made the motion, seconded by Wray to approve Resolution No. 2023-180. A resolution authorizing payment of contractors pay request No. 15 in the amount of \$13,221.91 to Cornerstone Commercial Contractors, Inc. of Coming, Iowa for the CDBG Façade Rehabilitation Project. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

Bly made the motion, seconded by Wray, to approve Resolution No. 2023-181. A resolution approving and authorizing execution of a Development Agreement by and between the City of Grinnell and 606 Stagecoach, LLC. AYES: 6-0. Motion carried.

## **Closed Session**

White made the motion, seconded by Hueftle-Worley to enter into closed session according to Chapter 21.5(c) to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Gaard made the motion, seconded by White to enter back into open session.

There were no inquiries.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

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DAN F. AGNEW, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ALYSSA DEVIG, DEPUTY CITY CLERK