

A regular session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 21, 2024, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Eberline. Present: Smith, Kuester, McDonald, Lamp and Rasmussen. Absent: None. Visitors: Katie Rasmussen, Crystal Davis, Kasey Lyons, Dylan Ross, Rich Ahlberg, Dr. Ryan Weaver, Mike Steinmeyer.

Lamp moved and Rasmussen seconded the approval of the meeting agenda as written and no conflicts of interest. No discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Rasmussen moved and McDonald seconded action to approval of the minutes of the regular session held Monday, October 7, 2024; and approval to close 7th Street from G to H Avenue, on Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 7a-1pm for Chamber Main Street Business Boo; and approval for Mayor Eberline to sign a letter of support for Luke & Crystal Davis, South Porch Cider, LLC's application for the Rural Innovation Grant Program. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline introduced Maggie Burger, Speer Financial Advisor, to present the city's Annual TIF & Debt Report. This report shows all the GO Bonds, Revenue Bonds, and TIF agreements. Burger explained that the City should begin the planning stages on the next projects because there are a couple GO Bonds that will be paid in full in the next few years. No further discussions, no formal action needed.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action on the Third Reading of Ordinance 578, an ordinance amending Chapter 141.04 driveway requirement for width of a curb cut for a three-car garage. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-63, a resolution to award a BIG Grant of \$20,000 to Luke & Crystal Davis, South Porch Cider, 625-627 G Avenue for front façade project. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Rasmussen seconded action on Resolution 2024-64, a resolution to award a BIG Grant of \$20,000 to Ryan Weaver, Grundy Center Family & Implant Dentistry, 106 East G Avenue, for 30ft x 34ft building addition and improvements. Discussion held with Dr. Weaver as to what was completed prior to the BIG Grant application was submitted. Kuester commented that portions of the project done prior cannot be included in this award. Smith moved and Lamp seconded action to amend the resolution to include all of the façade and building improvements and remove the concrete. However, the building and project as a whole fit the scope of a BIG Grant. No further discussion, motions carried five ayes.

Rasmussen moved and McDonald seconded action on Resolution 2024-65, a resolution to award a BIG Grant of \$9,350 to Kasey Lyons, KC Power Sports, 102 6th Streets for HVAC upgrades to showroom building. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Smith moved and Lamp seconded action on Resolution 2024-66, a resolution to award a BIG Grant of \$8,153 to Dylan Ross, Ross Self Storage, 708 F Avenue, for electrical and HVAC upgrades. Ross commented that once upgrades are completed a local main street business has rented the entire building as a showroom and storage space. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Lamp moved and Kuester seconded action on Resolution 2024-67, a resolution to award a BIG Grant of \$10,112 to Center Theatre, 602 7th Street, electrical upgrades to the metal marquee signage. Mike Steinmeyer commented that the current marquee is original from 1940 installation and these upgrades will convert the current signage and lights to LED. No further discussion, motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Eberline opened the public forum at 7:04pm. Rich Ahlberg pointed out a few spots for potholes; building project at 203 4th Street; and pay raises for a secretary in the police department. No further comments, public forum closed at 7:15pm.

Finance Committee/Clerk commented on TIF certifications; Personnel Committee reviewing health insurance renewal information; upcoming budget workshop on November 19, 2024, in Cedar Falls; and accounting software GWorks integration to a cloud-based system soon.

Public Safety Committee commented new officer started today; working on cyber audit due October 28, 2024; Axon Enterprises installing new cameras in squad cars tomorrow; and in-service Tracs software training this week.

Public Works Committee commented that Lead Line Service Inventory was submitted to Iowa DNR and now notices will be sent out to those listed with lead and galvanized metal service lines stating they need to be updated.

Rasmussen moved and Lamp seconded adjournment of the meeting at 7:30pm. Motion carried five ayes. Next meeting will be Monday, November 4, 2024, at 6:30pm.