

Members Present: Sloan, Kent, Petty

Absent:

Others Present: Mayor Nelson, Adm. Bradley, Clerk Zeman, J. Ostrander, T. Pinion, P. Cannon

Call to Order –Ald. Sloan called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. noting compliance with the Open Meeting Law. Moved by Kent, seconded by Petty to approve the minutes of February 7, 2022. Motion carried unanimously. Moved by Petty, seconded by Kent to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

- a) **Accounts Payable** – Moved by Kent, seconded by Petty to recommend to Council for approval of the accounts payable for **\$6,160,078.63**. Motion carried unanimously.

- b) **Wal-Mart** – Adm. Bradley noted that Wal-Mart had appealed to the Board of Review and was denied; they have now filed a Claim for Excessive Assessment. Because this claim was filed prior to Wal-Mart paying their related tax bill, it is recommended that we deny the claim for Excessive Assessment. Moved by Kent, seconded by Petty to recommend to Common Council to deny the Claim for Excessive Assessment received from Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust. Motion carried unanimously.

- c) **Fire/EMS Station** – P. Cannon explained that in order to move forward, he is looking for authorization to file the application. Moved by Petty, seconded by Kent to recommend to Common Council to authorize the City to work with CDA to prepare an application to USDA for a loan to construct the Fire/EMS Station. Motion carried unanimously.

- d) **COVID-19 Policy** – The Committee reviewed the current COVID-19 policy. Based on the recent rescinding of other policies within the community and surrounding communities and the decrease in positive cases, it is the committee’s preference to rescind the entire policy effective immediately. Moved by Petty, second by Kent to recommend to Common Council to rescind the City’s entire COVID-19 Policy effective immediately. Motion carried unanimously.

- e) **Carnegie-Schadde Memorial Public Library** –
 - 1) P. Cannon explained that the USDA has added language to the lease agreement noting that if the CDA is dissolved, the City is responsible for the debt. Moved by Petty, seconded by Kent to authorize the amended documents relating to the Library Expansion project: (a) proposed Prelease Agreement between the CDA and the City and (b) proposed Lease Agreement between the CDA and the City. Motion carried unanimously.
 - 2) P. Cannon noted that bids were opened on February 8th. Vogel Brothers Building Company was the low bidder at \$9,664,000 and they also had three alternate bids. After reviewing the bids, the Library Board decided to add alternates #1 (Front entrance upgrade) and #2 (Equipment for front entrance) which raised the price to be \$9,731,600. The library board voted to increase their donation to this project \$1,956,600 which now gives us the capital to satisfy USDA that we have the ability to complete this project. Regardless of the total project cost, the City’s exposure for this project is \$6M. Moved by Petty, seconded by Kent to authorize awarding bid to Vogel Brothers Building Company in the amount of \$9,731,600 for construction of the Carnegie-Schadde Memorial Public Library Remodel and Construction project. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment – Moved by Petty, seconded by Kent and carried to adjourn at 6:41pm.
Brenda Zeman, City Clerk