

Via Teleconference  
6:00 P.M. May 18, 2021

Regular Meeting

Roll Call

Councilors Present: Carlson, Lamb, Swanson, Jaakola, Wilkinson, Mayor Maki

Councilors Absent: Kolodge

Pledge of Allegiance

### **AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to approve the amended May 18, 2021 agenda with the addition of item 9.i, *Reconsideration of the PLA Repeal*. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

### **MINUTES**

**MOTION:** Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Lamb seconded the motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of May 4, 2021 as presented. The motion carried (6-0).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Councilor Jaakola moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to adopt the Consent Agenda of May 18, 2021, approving the necessary motions and resolutions. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

- a. Resolution No. 21-27 Authorizing the Payment of Bills
- b. Approval of Peddler's, Solicitors & Transient Merchants License – Carlton Co. Farmer's Market

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

There were none.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

There were none.

### **AMEND POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION TO THE CITY FOR PRIVATE ACTIVITY REVENUE BOND FINANCING**

**MOTION:** Councilor Wilkinson moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to amend the Policy and Procedure for the application to the City of Cloquet for Private Revenue Bond Financing to clarify that under all circumstances, including any refunding bonds, that the City's bond counsel be utilized. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

### **AUTHORIZE SCADA SYSTEM UPGRADES**

**MOTION:** Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to authorize bidding of SCADA upgrades. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

### **RUBBER TIRE BACKHOE PURCHASE**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to authorize the order of a 2021 John Deere 310SL Rubber Tire Backhoe from McCoy Equipment in the total amount of \$79,735.00 with trade. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE FUEL SYSTEM**

**MOTION:** Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Swanson seconded the motion to accept the quote from Minnesota Petroleum of \$40,878.50 for supply and installation of required fuel system equipment. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATION ACTIVITIES**

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Carlson seconded the motion to approve the 2021 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration activities and recognize the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event Committee as a City Committee acting on behalf of the City for this sponsored event. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**ORDINANCE NO. 497A - REPEALING OF CLOQUET CITY ORDINANCE NUMBERS 489A, 472A AND SECTION 4.10 OF CITY CODE REQUIRING FACE COVERINGS WITHIN INDOOR SPACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION**

**MOTION:** Councilor Carlson moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 497A AND SECTION 4.10 OF THE CLOQUET CITY CODE REQUIRING FACE COVERINGS WITHIN INDOOR SPACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION.** The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**NOW THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cloquet do hereby ordain as follow”**

**SECTION 1. REPEALER**

That Ordinance 489A and the Section 4.10 of the City Code requiring face coverings within indoor spaces of public accommodation are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

**IN-PERSON CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS DISCUSSION**

City Administrator Peterson asked for input from Council members regarding reinstating in-person Council meetings while following the CDC COVID-19 guidelines of proper distancing around the council dais, limiting the number of public attendees within the council chambers, and requiring face coverings.

**MOTION:** Councilor Jaakola moved and Councilor Wilkinson seconded the motion to resume in-person City Council meetings beginning with the June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**CITY HALL SUMMER HOURS**

City Administrator Peterson stated that summer hours for City Hall will begin June 1<sup>st</sup> and go through Labor Day. Office hours will be Monday- Thursday 7:30-5:00, Friday 7:30-11:30.

**RECONSIDERATION OF THE PLA REPEAL**

Councilor Lamb stated after further discussion and information she has received, she would like to revisit the PLA discussion and May 4, 2021 motion that passed Ordinance No. 497A Repealing PLAs.

**MOTION:** Councilor Lamb moved and Councilor Swanson seconded the motion to reconsider the May 4<sup>th</sup> Council discussion regarding the PLA repeal. The motion carried (4-2), Councilor Wilkinson and Mayor Maki opposed.

City Administrator Peterson recommended to table this discussion until the June 1<sup>st</sup> Council meeting so Councilor Kolodge can take part in the conversation, as well as give the public time to become aware of the reconsideration.

**MOTION:** Councilor Swanson moved and Councilor Jaakola seconded the motion to table the PLA discussion until the June 1<sup>st</sup> City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**COUNCIL COMMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPDATES**

Public Works Director Caleb Peterson conveyed to Council the struggle in finding qualified applicants for a number of summer seasonal openings. There are 10 positions available and currently only 2 applicants. The positions have been reposted and the wage raised to \$13/hour. Mr. Peterson urged anyone needing summer employment to please reach out.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion duly carried by a unanimous yeas vote of all members present on roll call, the Council adjourned.

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Tim Peterson, City Administrator