

MCCOOK CITY COUNCIL
November 21, 2016
6:30 P.M.

A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MCCOOK, NEBRASKA convened in open, regular, and public session at 6:30 o'clock P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

Present: Mayor Gonzales, Councilmembers Calvin, McDowell, Weedon.

Absent: Councilmember Hepp.

City Officials present: City Manager Schneider, City Attorney Mustion, City Clerk Doak, Police Chief Brown, Fire Chief Harpham, Public Works Director Potthoff, and Senior Services Director Siegfried.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the McCook Daily Gazette on November 17, 2016, the designated method of giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and members of the City Council and a copy of the Acknowledgment of Receipt of such notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Gonzales announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted by the entrance to the Council Chambers and available for public review. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, Mayor Gonzales called the meeting to order.

1. Citizen's Comments.

No one was present for citizen's comments.

2. Announcements & Recognitions.

Police Chief Brown recognized Officer Michael Jordan as a certified Drug Recognition Expert and Officer Jordan and Officer Austin Kelley as certified Active Shooter Threat Instructors.

Senior Services Director Siegfried reported that 190 attended the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Senior Center and she thanked all who volunteered to serve.

3. Public Hearings.

A. Public Hearing - A report from the Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee regarding meetings held October 25, 2016.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember Gonzales, the Council voted to recess as a City Council and convene a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the report from the Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee meetings with the City Attorney to act as hearing officer. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

The City Attorney offered and received into evidence Exhibit #1 - the City Manager's Report dated November 21, 2016 (1 page); Exhibit #2 - Notice of Public Hearing (1 page); Exhibit #3 - Agenda for the Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee October 24, 2016 meeting (1 page); Exhibit #4 - McCook Growth Fund (LB840) Program Balances (MEDC format) - 10/01/15-09/30/16 (1 page); Exhibit #4 - McCook Growth Fund (LB840) Available Funds 10/01/15-09/30/16 (1 page); Exhibit #6 - LB840 Program Balances Unaudited 09/30/16 (1 page); City of McCook LB840 Receipt Register 10/01/15-09/30/16 (2 pages); Exhibit #8 - City of McCook LB840 Fund Check Register - 10/01/15-09/30/16 (2 pages); Exhibit #9 - McCook Growth Fund Loan Status Report - 09/30/16 (1 page); Exhibit #10 - McCook Growth Fund (LB840) Economic Development Program Quarterly Report - 09/30/16 (5 pages); Exhibit #11 - MEDC Newsletter (2 pages); Exhibit #12 - Hormel Entrepreneurship Competition information (1 page); Exhibit #13 - MEDC Coaching for Kirk (8 pages); Exhibit #12 - minutes of the July 25, 2016 Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee meeting (2 pages).

Chair of the Committee Troy Bruntz and MEDC Director Kirk Dixon were present to review the information presented.

There being no one else present to comment, upon a motion by Councilmember Weedon, seconded by Mayor Gonzales, the Council voted to adjourn the public hearing and to reconvene as a City Council. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

- B. Receive and file the minutes of the July 25, 2016 Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Weedon, seconded by Councilmember McDowell, the Council voted to receive and file the minutes of the July 25, 2016 Economic Development Plan Citizen's Advisory Review Committee meeting. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

4. Consent Agenda.

- A. Approve the minutes of the November 7, 2016 regular City Council meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2016 regular City Council meeting. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

- B. Approve the McCook Area Chamber of Commerce request to conduct the Annual Christmas Light Parade at 6:00 P.M. on December 3, 2016, the flying in of Santa Claus at McCook Ben Nelson Regional Airport at 10:00 A.M., and the participation of the Fire and Police Departments with the parade.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to approve the McCook Area Chamber of Commerce request to conduct the Annual Christmas Light Parade at 6:00 P.M. on December 3, 2016, the flying in of Santa Claus at McCook Ben Nelson Regional Airport at 10:00 A.M., and the participation of the Fire and Police Departments with the parade. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

- C. Receive and file information regarding the traffic activity between the 1000 and 1500 blocks

of West “M” Street.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to receive and file information regarding the traffic activity between the 1000 and 1500 blocks of West “M” Street. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

D. Receive the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Library Advisory Board meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to receive the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Library Advisory Board meeting. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

E. Award the bid for one new police package vehicle for use by the Police Department to Deveny Motors in the amount of \$21,000.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to award the bid for one new police package vehicle for use by the Police Department to Deveny Motors in the amount of \$21,000. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

F. Approve the application for Great Plains Communications to occupy city easement for the purpose of installing an underground fiber optic cable to Valmont and authorize the Mayor to sign the application.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to approve the application for Great Plains Communications to occupy city easement for the purpose of installing an underground fiber optic cable to Valmont and authorize the Mayor to sign the application. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

G. Receive and file information regarding the “Community Christmas Tree”.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to receive and file information regarding the “Community Christmas Tree”. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

H. Approve the application for a Special Designated Liquor License submitted by Tyler Schmick, Schmick’s Market Inc., Liquor License #IDK-084561, for a reception/fund raiser to be held at the McCook Municipal Auditorium, 302 West 5th Street, on December 11, 2016 from 4:00 P.M. to 11:59 P.M.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to approve the application for a Special Designated Liquor License submitted by Tyler Schmick, Schmick’s Market Inc., Liquor License #IDK-084561, for a reception/fund raiser to be held at the McCook Municipal Auditorium, 302 West 5th Street, on December 11, 2016 from 4:00 P.M. to 11:59 P.M. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedin. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

I. Approve the application for a Special Designated Liquor License submitted by Val Fuller, dba

“Fuller’s Family Restaurant”, Liquor License #IB-104634, for a local business Christmas party to be held at the Red Willow County Community Building, 1412 West 5th Street, on December 17, 2016, from 6:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Calvin, seconded by Councilmember McDowell the Council voted to approve the application for a Special Designated Liquor License submitted by Val Fuller, dba “Fuller’s Family Restaurant”, Liquor License #IB-104634, for a local business Christmas party to be held at the Red Willow County Community Building, 1412 West 5th Street, on December 17, 2016, from 6:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M. The yeas and nays were called and the vote was as follows: YEA: Gonzales, Calvin, McDowell, Weedon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Hepp.

5. Regular Agenda.

A. Council Comments.

Councilmembers wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

▪ **Adjournment.**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Gonzales declared the meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

Michael D. Gonzales, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lea Ann Doak, City Clerk-Treasurer