

MINUTES – September 13, 2022

The Rogers City Council met in *regular session* in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman City Hall Building and via ZOOM on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Jim Dixon, Chaplain of Benton County Sheriffs Office provided an invocation.

John Sporlinger, resident at 800 Morningside Drive opposes narrowing driveways. Concerned with large trucks not being able to enter/exit.

Jerry Weiner, resident of 502 N. 3rd Street concerned with the large equipment and semi trucks using Persimmon as a through street between 8th & 2nd.

Mike Sidani, resident at 9062 Lorraine Lane continues to support and encourage updates for the skate park. Based on the population of Rogers and in comparison to other cities in the country, he feels we are lacking in the offering of skate parks. Asking for next steps. Mayor, this is a large project which could be addressed with the next bond for funding.

ROLL CALL:

Mark Kruger, Betsy Reithemeyer, Gary Townzen, Marge Wolf, Barney Hayes, Clay Kendall, Mandy Brashear, and April Legere were present.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, Finance Director Casey Wilhelm, Human Resources Director Thomas Dunlap, Community Development Director John McCurdy, Community Development Director Shawn Grindstaff, City Engineer Lance Jobe, Parks & Recreation Director Jim White, City Planner Lori Ericson, Public Relations Manager Peter Masonis and Records Administrator Jennifer Moore.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

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Motion by Townzen, second by Reithemeyer to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2022 as presented.

Voice vote: Yes. **Motion carried.**

Approves the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to suspend the rules to consider all items on the agenda on a single reading.

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. **Motion carried.**

**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING
COMMITTEES:**

(Agenda Item #1.)

RES. R22-70 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Permanent Encroachment And Usage Agreement Within The Public Right Of Way With Vinson Square, LLC And The District

The resolution was introduced by Kruger and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Kruger, chair of Transportation Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized City Planner Lori Ericson.

No questions from the council.

Motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #2.)

RES. R22-71 Adopting Updated Policies And Procedures In The Standard Operating Guidelines Of The Rogers Police Department

The resolution was introduced by Wolf and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Wolf, chair of Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Police Chief Jonathan Best.

No questions from council.

Motion by Wolf, second by Reithemeyer to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #3.)

RES. R22-72 Amending The 2022 Budget To Recognize Funds From The American Association Of Physicians Of Indian Origin In The Amount Of \$2,500.00 Into Account #100-03-45600 Grants And Donations; Appropriating That Same Amount Into Account #100-03-70005 Continuing Education

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Police Chief Jonathan Best.

No questions from council.

Motion by Hayes, second by Wolf to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #4.)

RES. R22-73 Authorizing The Use Of Funds From The 2018 Bond General Account For

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Park And Recreational Improvements

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Parks & Recreation Director Jim White.

No questions from council.

Motion by Kruger, second by Reithemeyer to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #5.)

RES. R22-74 Authorizing The Rate Of Property Tax For The City Of Rogers For The Year 2022 To Be Collected In 2023

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Finance Director Casey Wilhelm.

No questions from council.

Motion by Brashear, second by Reithemeyer to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. The resolution is adopted.

(Agenda Item #6.)

ORD. #22-51 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From R-DP To NBT, Amending The Comprehensive Growth Map (Lawson)

The ordinance was introduced by Legere and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Legere, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Community Planning Director John McCurdy.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. The ordinance is adopted.

(Agenda Item #7.)

ORD. #22-52 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From A-1 To C-3, Amending The Comprehensive Growth Map (Sapphire)

The ordinance was introduced by Legere and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Legere, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Community Planning Director John McCurdy.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the ordinance pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the emergency clause pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. The ordinance is adopted.

(Agenda Item #8.)

ORD. #22-53 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From A-1, RMF-31B, U-NBT, U-COM, C-2 & C-3 With P.U.D. To U-COM And U-NBT
(Fields at Pinnacle)

The ordinance was introduced by Legere and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Legere, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Community Planning Director John McCurdy.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the ordinance pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the emergency clause pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. The ordinance is adopted.

OLD BUSINESS:

(Agenda Item #1.)

ORD. #22-54 Amending The City Of Rogers Code Of Ordinances Section 14-260 - Access Management Standards And Section 14-1005

The ordinance was introduced by Legere and read by title only by Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

Legere, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Community Planning Director John McCurdy.

Brashear, will this require existing businesses to compile?

McCurdy, no. If properties were to change, it would be in a building phase.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the ordinance pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes.

The Mayor asked, "Shall the emergency clause pass?"

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. The ordinance is adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor, lots of great upcoming events in our area including the LPGA, Bikes, Blue, & BBQ and the Komen Race for the Cure.

Kruger, asking for our internal street department to make improvements on Laurel Road. Mayor, the topic of this road has not been part of a bond issue. We've worked very hard to build general reserves fund and issues such as road construction as not projects for this funding.

Kruger, move to adjourn the meeting at 7:06pm, second by Wolf.

ATTEST:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

C. Greg Hines, Mayor