

## MINUTES – September 26, 2023

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 26, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

Rev. Bob Haskett with Benton County Sheriff's Office provided an invocation.

Finance Director Casey Wilhelm provided the council with a draft copy of the 2022 city audit.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Betsy Reithemeyer, Marge Wolf, Gary Townzen, Barney Hayes, April Legere, and Roger Surly were present. Clay Kendall and Mandy Brashear were absent.

### **OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, Community Development Director John McCurdy, Parks & Recreation Director Quinton Harris, Community Development Director Shawn Grindstaff, Airport Superintendent David Krutsch, RWU Superintendent Brent Dobler, Deputy Chief BJ Hyde, Finance Director Casey Wilhelm, Financial Administrator Jennifer Slingsby, Finance Grants Administrator Jennifer Turner, Public Relations Manager Peter Masonis, and Executive Assistant to the Mayor Jennifer Moore.

### **ACTION ON MINUTES:**

September 12, 2023

Motion by Hayes, second by Wolf to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2023 as presented. Voice vote: Yes, unanimous. **Motion carried.**

**Approves** the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Reithemeyer, 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.)

**ORD. #23-36** Ordering The Razing And Removal Of A Certain Structure Within The City Of Rogers, Arkansas, Located At 711 E. Hilltop Drive

The ordinance was introduced by Wolf and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Wolf, chair of Community Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized representative and Deputy

Chief BJ Hyde.

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 #2.)

**RES. R23-87** Amending The 2023 Budget To Recognize Federal Grant Revenue In The Amount Of \$100,000.00 Into Account #315-15-48050 Federal Grant Revenue; Appropriating \$11,111.00 From Airport Fund Reserves And \$100,000.00 From Account #315-15-48050 Federal Grant Revenue Into Account #315-15-81143 Reconstruct Taxiway Lighting And Airfield Electrical Vault; Increasing The Contract Amount With Rick McGinty Company, Inc. Of Greenbrier, Arkansas By \$111,111.00

The resolution was introduced by Surly and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Surly, chair of Transportation Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Airport Superintendent David Krutsch.

No questions from the council.

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

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

(Agenda Item #3.)

**RES. R23-88** Authorizing The Rate Of Property Tax For The City Of Rogers For The Year 2023 To Be Collected In 2024

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Mayor Greg Hines

No questions from the council.

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

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

(Agenda Item #4.)

**RES. R23-89** Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Real Estate Agreement For The Purchase Of Certain Real Property Owned By The Harold E. Amos Trust; Amending The 2023 Budget To

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to "Do pass" and recognized Mayor Greg Hines.

Appropriate \$4,200,000.00 From  
General Fund Reserves Into Account  
#100-01-80100 Capital Expenditures

No questions from the council.

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

Voice vote: 5 – Yes. 1 – Abstain (Reithemeyer).

***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #5.)

**ORD. #23-37** Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From RMF-12B To N-R (North 22nd & Easy Street)

The ordinance was introduced by Legere and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Legere, chair of Community Environment & Welfare Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized representative and project representative Jason Ingalls.

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:**

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor, successful Bikes, Blues, & BBQ event last weekend and ready for the upcoming LPGA.

Hayes, great job by David Krutsch on presenting to the public.

Reithemeyer, move to adjourn the meeting at 6:44pm second by Wolf.

### **ATTEST:**

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Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

### **APPROVED:**

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C. Greg Hines, Mayor