

MINUTES – March 12, 2024

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, March 12, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Becky Conduff de Aguirre of Paraclete Mission Group provided an invocation.

ROLL CALL:

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

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek, Police Chief Jonathan Best, Fire Chief BJ Hyde, RWU Superintendent Brent Dobler, Community Development Director John McCurdy, Parks & Recreation Director Quentin Harris, Finance Director Casey Wilhelm, Finance Administrator Jennifer Slingsby, Finance Administrator Jennifer Turner, Human Resources Director Thomas Dunlap, Public Relations Manager Peter Masonis, and Executive Assistant to the Mayor Jennifer Moore.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

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Motion by Townzen, second by Surly to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2024 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.)

RES. R24-20 Expressing The Willingness Of The City Of Rogers To Utilize Federal Aid Funds For Highway 71b Sidewalk Improvements From West Pleasant Grove Road To West New Hope Road

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 City Engineer Lance Jobe.

No questions from the council.

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

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

(Agenda Item #2.)

RES. R24-21 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into An Encroachment And Usage Agreement With Trash Ice Cream, Inc. At 310 South 1st Street In Rogers, Arkansas

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 City Engineer Lance Jobe.

No questions from the council.

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

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

(Agenda Item #3.)

RES. R24-22 Authorizing The Destruction Of Certain Records Of The City Of Rogers Legal Department

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

Hayes, chair of Resources & Policy Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Senior Staff Attorney John Pesek.

No questions from the council.

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

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

(Agenda Item #4.)

RES. R24-23 Amending The 2024 Budget To Recognize State Trauma System Grant Funds In The Amount Of \$10,303.00 Into Account #100-04-45305 State Revenue; Appropriating That Same Amount Into Account #100-04-70105 Medical Supplies

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

Wolf, chair of Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended to “Do pass” and recognized Fire Chief BJ Hyde.

No questions from the council.

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

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

adopted.

(Agenda Item #5.)

ORD. #24-10 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From A-1 To N-R (Hales – 103 W. Laura St.)

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 City Planner Joe Rexwinkle.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #6.)

ORD. #24-11 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From A-1 To N-R (Vega – 2305 S. Dixieland)

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 City Planner Joe Rexwinkle.

No questions from the council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #7.)

ORD. #24-12 Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From A-1, R-DP, And RSF-5 To RMF-15B; Accepting The Density Concept Plan (Dixieland Olive – 1200 N. Dixieland)

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 City

Planner Joe Rexwinkle.

Reithemeyer, inquiry on the entry exit plan for the development.

Project representative Will Kellstrom, addressed connections to the west in existing neighborhoods and one stub out on Dixieland.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”

Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

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

Roll call: Unanimous - Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

APPOINTMENTS:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Legere, announcing resignation at the end of the month. Honor serving the community and with peer councilmen and exceptional experience with Mayor & department heads.

Wolf & Reithemeyer, honor serving with Legere and wishing all the best.

Reithemeyer, move to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm second by Wolf.

ATTEST:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

C. Greg Hines, Mayor