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MARCH 15, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The City Council reviewed Emergency Resolution effective on February 8, 2021 encouraging the use of face coverings or facemasks in buildings open to the public. The City Council also reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1429 which was effective on February 16, 2021. This Emergency Ordinance requires the posting of a sign at the entrance to buildings open to the public stating that Face Masks are Expected per City Resolution. No changes were made to the document. The fine for a violation of Emergency Ordinance 1429 is \$56.50 plus court costs of \$72.50, for a total fine of \$129. These documents have a 60-day life and will be reviewed at each regular City Council meeting during the life of the documents. The first reading of Emergency Ordinance 1432 to succeed Emergency Ordinance 1429 was approved.

Schwartzle Construction of Tea, SD was awarded the bid for the Downtown Streetscape project. The base bid amount was \$2,946,602 with an alternate for an additional marker sign of \$30,000.

A request from the Law Enforcement Torch Run of SD to close Kidder Street from Court Street west for half a block to the alley opening on Saturday, April 10, 2021 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm for the Special Olympics Polar Plunge was approved.

First reading of Ordinance 1431 to rezone 13.5 acres at the NW corner of 466th and E. Main Street from A-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Residential District was approved. The second reading is on April 5, 2021 with the County Commission.

The TIF 7 Project Plan, a Resolution to approve the issuance of Tax Incremental revenue bonds, an agreement for a private development to construct public infrastructure, a Resolution to declare the official intent to reimburse TIF 7 project expenditures, and the Final Plat of Blocks 7, 8, 9 and 10 of Bliss Pointe were all approved. These items all relate to the establishment of TIF District #7 to fund public infrastructure for the creation of over 40 housing lots in Bliss Pointe.

An easement for a Clay-Union Electric line across a portion of Wagge Tract 2 was approved.

Monica Iverson was appointed to the City's Historic Preservation Commission.

Rich Holland, Brian Humphrey, and Steve Ward were appointed as City representatives on the Consolidated Board of Equalization meeting on April 13, 2021. The remaining City Council members will serve as alternates to the Board.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Three terms on the Human Relations Commission will be expiring in May. One term is a 1-year term for a post-secondary student while the other two terms are for three-years. Expression of Interest forms are due by 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 15. The City Council would make appointments at the April 19, 2021 meeting.

The United Church of Christ building has been nominated for inclusion on the National register of Historic Places. The application is available on the City's website. Public comment on the nomination to the City of Vermillion are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 19, 2021. The State Review Board will consider the nomination at their April meeting in Pierre.

The landfill will be open from 8:00 am to Noon on the second Saturday of each month starting April 10, 2021. The landfill is also open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30pm. Rolloff containers for grass and leaf collection have been placed at Barstow Park and Prentis Park. Please no tree branches. Grass and leaves can also be taken to the recycling center. Tree branches, grass, and leaves can also be taken to the landfill. The renovation project at the Recycling Center, 840 N. Crawford Road should be completed in approximately two weeks.

The Library Board meets on Friday, March 19, 2021 at Noon.

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