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APRIL 5, 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(s) to buildings open to the public stating that Face Masks are Expected per City Resolution. No changes were made to either document. These documents have a 60-day life that will expire during the next two weeks. Emergency Ordinances and Resolutions are reviewed at each regular City Council meeting during the life of the documents. A new Emergency Resolution to replace the expiring document and Emergency Ordinance 1432 to replace Emergency Ordinance 1429 were adopted. The fine for a violation of Emergency Ordinance 1429 or 1432 is \$56.50 plus court costs of \$72.50, for a total fine of \$129.

A proclamation recognizing the week of April 4-10, 2021 as National Library Week was read.

A parking variance to reduce the required numbers of spaces from 16 to 12 and a variance to reduce the Cedar Street building setback line for apartments to be constructed at 202 N. Dakota Street were continued until June 7, 2021.

Variance requests to increase the alley right-of-way from 20 feet to 30 feet and the paved surface from 16 feet to 20 feet for the construction of alleys in Phase 2 of Bliss Pointe Addition were approved. The Final Plat of Bliss Pointe was also approved. An agreement to transfer a private sewer line running from Rockwell Trl south 178 feet to the City was approved.

Per the cable franchise agreement, MIDCO presented an annual report on their cable franchise over the last year.

A request from USD to temporarily remove parking along N. Dakota Street for the construction of a parking lot south of the Arena was approved. An agreement with USD for banners along SD Highway 50 was approved. A request to close public sidewalks abutting the addition to the Lee Medical School building addition was tabled until the April 19, 2021.

The transfer of seven used tasers from the Police Department to the Clay County Sheriff's Office was approved.

Amendment #8 to the Joint Powers Agreement to fund closing of one landfill cell and the opening of two landfill cells was approved. A resolution authorizing a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan revenue bond for the landfill project was approved. A resolution authorizing a SRF loan revenue bond for the South Dakota Highway 50 drainage project was also approved.

A permit for consumption but not the sale of alcohol for a Kentucky Derby fundraiser at the St. Agnes School gym on Saturday, May 1, 2021 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm was approved.

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, 2021. The City Council would make appointments at the April 19, 2021 meeting.

One three-year term on the Library Board is expiring in May. Expression of Interest forms are due by 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 29, 2021. The City Council would make an appointment at the May 3, 2021 meeting.

The landfill will be open from 8:00 am to Noon on the second Saturday of each month. The landfill will be open on Saturday, April 10, 2021. The landfill is also open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 4:30pm.

The City's Historic Preservation Commission meets on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 9am.

Raffle notification: Fraternal Order of Eagles are selling 1,800 raffle tickets at \$20 each to individuals age 21 and older to win one of 40 guns. The drawing is May 1, 2021 and the proceeds will be used for the charitable causes of the Eagles.

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