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**MAY 17, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:**

The City Council rescinded the Emergency Resolution effective on April 9, 2021 encouraging the use of face coverings or facemasks in buildings open to the public. The City Council also reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1432 which was effective on April 17, 2021. This Emergency Ordinance required the posting of a sign at the entrance(s) to buildings open to the public stating that Face Masks are Expected per City Resolution. Emergency Ordinance 1432 was repealed.

A Proclamation was read proclaiming May 16 to May 22, 2021 as Emergency Medical Services Week.

The City Council approved the annual renewal of on-off sale malt beverage and South Dakota Farm Wine licenses.

The first reading of two ordinances related to Medical Marijuana were approved. Ordinance 1434 identifies the different zoning categories where medical marijuana related facilities are allowed. Ordinance 1433 provides licensing and regulations for Medical Marijuana dispensaries. A second reading of the ordinances will occur at a special meeting of the City Council prior to June 1. The ordinances are available for review on the City's website.

A grant agreement for TIF #7 providing for the transfer of proceeds from the sale of private placement bonds to the Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Company for infrastructure construction was approved.

An professional services agreement for construction monitoring with Burns & McDonnell for an amount not to exceed \$162,000 for construction services for two cells and the closure of one cell at the services at the Landfill was approved.

The City Council approved a CRRSA (Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations) Act Application in the amount of \$13,000 to help cover airport operation expenses for the next four years.

A Resolution authorizing participation in a housing needs study was approved. The Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Company will submit the application to the South Dakota Housing Development Authority. The City's net cost for the \$12,500 study is \$2,500. SDHDA, the VCDC, and SECOG are the other funding partners.

The City Council approved the 2021-2025 Capital Improvement Plan that presents ideas for future projects that the City may undertake in the next five years.

Katie Redden was appointed to the position of City of Vermillion Finance Officer effective June 17, 2021.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Two terms on the Business Improvement District (BID) #2 Board for the downtown area are set to expire. Parties with interest in serving a three-year term on the BID #2 Board must notify the City by 5 p.m. Thursday, June 3. The public should anticipate that the City Council will make two appointments at their June 7 meeting.

City offices will be closed on Monday, May 31, 2021 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

The Dakota Hospital Foundation (DHF) will be selling raffle tickets at the rate of \$5 for one ticket or \$20 for 5 tickets. The raffle will occur during their Leadership Dinner on Tuesday, May 18. Prizes include a \$100 Spa gift card, \$100 Theatre gift card, and a Karl Mecklenberg autographed jersey valued at \$150. Proceeds will benefit the Employee Idea Challenge Project fund with DHF.

Library Board Members will hold their monthly meeting on Friday, May 21 at 12:00 p.m.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the free golf lessons on Tuesday, May 18 and Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 4:45 p.m. that will be hosted at the Bluffs Golf Course.