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OCTOBER 18, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

A proclamation recognizing November 1, 2021 as Extra Mile Day. This is a nationwide effort to acknowledge and promote personal effort, volunteerism, and service in going the extra mile to assist others.

A request for a variance to reduce the required front yard setback along Dartmouth Street from 20 feet to 5 feet for the installation of a temporary portable classroom at Austin Elementary School was approved. The variance for the 8 foot by 44 foot classroom to be placed on the north side of the building will expire on May 31, 2024.

A request for variance to reduce the required rear yard setback at 308 and 318 West Chestnut Street from 25 feet to 0 feet was approved. This rear yard of this property abuts the railroad right-of-way and prior to 2008 had a 0-foot rear setback.

The request to close W. Main Street from the west line of the intersection with Court Street west through Ratingen Platz and Market Street as it abuts Ratingen Platz on Thursday, December 2, 2021 for the Vermillion Chamber and Development Company's 6th annual Parade of Lights was approved. The street closing is from 4:00 pm to 8:00 while the event runs from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

The first reading of Ordinance 1444 to amend Title XI Business Regulations for Section 123 - Medical Cannabis Establishment licensing was approved. The ordinance corrects the definition of Medical Cannabis Dispensary and Medical Cannabis Establishment. The ordinance also removed the term "Revocation" from Section 123(E) as State rules do not allow a revoked license to be reinstated.

A resolution to purchase a golf course mower from Midwest Turf and Irrigation of Omaha, NE through the National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance for a net price of \$33,914 after trade-in of a 2014 mower was approved.

John (Jake) Kidney was appointed to a two-year term on the Tree Board.

City Manager's Report:

The Open House sponsored by the Police Department and Emergency Communications is Saturday, October 30 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Public Safety Center, 15 Washington Street.

There is one opening on the City's Historic Preservation Commission for a 3-year term. For this Commission seat, the individual does need to own property in one of the four historic districts. Please submit an Expression of Interest form by Thursday, October 28, 2021 at 5:00 pm. A Board term is three years and there are typically monthly meetings. An appointment may be made at the November 1st City Council meeting.

There are two openings on the Business Improvement District #1 Board. This Board works with the \$2.00 per night, per occupied hotel room fee. Please submit an Expression of Interest form by Thursday, November 11, 2021 for these Board openings. A Board term is three years and there are approximately 3-4 meetings a year. Appointments may be made at the November 15th City Council meeting.