



The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, August 17, 2015, at 5:30 P.M. Those present were Rich Mattern, Mark Simmons, Mike Thorstad and Mark Wentz. Absent was Duane Hanson. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioner Mattern advised that Item b (First Reading of Ordinance No. 1043) of the Consent Agenda will be moved to the Regular Agenda and that a Building Update will be added to the Regular Agenda. Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the Order of Agenda with the changes as noted. No opposition. Motion carried.

Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the Minutes of August 3, 2015 and the Budget Meeting Minutes of August 3, 2015. No opposition. Motion carried.

The Commission reviewed Building Permits #649 - 703 and the Building Department Activity Report dated August 17, 2015.

There were no Commissioner Committee Reports.

The Auditor's Reports for July 2015 were received by the Commission.

There were no Department Reports.

Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

Bills

Games of Chance: Faith Lutheran Church for Raffle to be held 9/1/15 to 10/31/15

Public Hearing September 8, 2015 at 5:45 PM for Odegaard Preserve Subdivision rezoning from Agricultural to Rural Residential

Public Hearing September 8, 2015 at 5:45 PM for Zoning Ordinance Amendment to create a Heavy Commercial and Light Industrial Zoning District

Apex Engineering Contract Supplements for 12th Avenue North Reconstruction

Storm Improvement District No. 4056 – Phase I (Meadowridge Storm Lift Station (SM29) Improvements): Approve amended Engineer's Report

Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1273 (Main Avenue – Interstate 94 to Sheyenne River): Approve amended Engineer's Report

Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1279 – Phase I (12th Avenue North Reconstruction): Approve Plans and Specifications and authorize NDDOT to advertise for bids

No opposition. Motion carried.

Ryan Fleming of Gast Construction and Kent Harris of YHR Partners appeared before the Commission to give an update on the building progress with anticipated move-in date of September 9, 2015. City Auditor Jim Brownlee also appeared before the Commission.

City Attorney John Shockley appeared before the Commission on Ordinance No. 1043 relating to Bench Sign Franchise. Commissioner Wentz moved and Commissions Simmons seconded to place Ordinance No. 1043 on First Reading. Commissioners Mattern, Wentz and Simmons voting aye. Commissioner Thorstad abstained from voting. Commissioner Hanson absent and not voting. Motion carried.

City Attorney John Shockley appeared before the Commission on Ordinance No. 1042 relating to Sunday Opening. Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to place Ordinance No. 1042 on Second Reading. After further discussion, Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to amend the motion that Ordinance No. 1042 be in effect as of the Second Reading of the ordinance. No opposition to the motion and amendment to the motion. Motion with amendment carried.

Senior Planner Tim Solberg appeared before the Commission on the request from New Perspective Senior Living for a Planned Unit Development Amendment to replace underground parking with parking garage for an approved assisted living facility at 645 33rd Avenue East, West Fargo, ND. Commissioner Mattern asked if there was any public comment. There was no public comment. After discussion, Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the Planned Unit Development Amendment subject to the conditions listed in the Staff Report. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Attorney John Shockley appeared before the Commission on Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1279 (12th Avenue North) and advised there were no protests. A public hearing was held. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. Commissioner Wentz moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to adopt the Resolution Determining that not Sufficient Protests were filed on Improvement in Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District no. 1279. No opposition. Motion carried.

Senior Planner Tim Solberg appeared before the Commission on the Revised Site Plan for proposed Auto Doctors at 415 Christianson Drive, West Fargo, ND. Christ Schmidt appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to approve the Revised Site Plan as recommended by Staff. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Engineer Kevin Bucholz appeared before the Commission on Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1273 – Phase II (2015 Cass County Drain No. 21 Channel Improvements). After discussion, Commissioner Thorstad moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to concur with the Southeast Cass Water Resource District to award the contract for Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1273 – Phase II to Riley Brothers Construction, Inc. for the construction amount of \$1,595,868.00 as recommended by City Engineer Kevin Bucholz. No opposition. Motion carried.

City Engineer Kevin Bucholz appeared before the Commission on Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1279 – Phase II (9th Street Northwest Realignment). Public Works Director Chris Brungardt also appeared before the Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Wentz moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to award the contract for Sewer, Water, Storm and Street Improvement District No. 1279 – Phase II to Gladen Construction, Inc. for their bid of \$1,936,143.71 as recommended by City Engineer Kevin Bucholz. No opposition. Motion carried.

There were no Non-Agenda items.

City Administrator James Brownlee gave the following report:

Road Projects are going good (52nd Avenue, 32nd Avenue, Main Avenue)

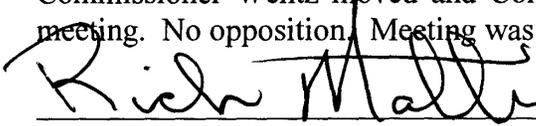
August 18, 2015, public input meeting at Public Works regarding Main Avenue

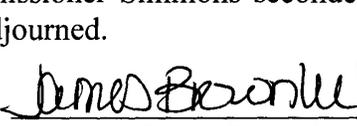
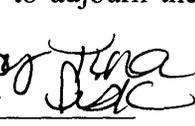
Audit Report will be on the September 8, 2015 Agenda

Working on the transition with Tina Fisk and Aaron Mitchell

There was no correspondence.

Commissioner Wentz moved and Commissioner Simmons seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. Meeting was adjourned.


Rich Mattern
President of the Board

 
James Brownlee
City Auditor