

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Monday, November 28, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Council President Wachowski at 6:02 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Councilmembers: Jeff Dahlke, Bill LeClair, Darla LeClair, Tracey Koach, Tim Petri, Jason Ring, Bonnie Shimulunas, Scott Stechmesser, Adam Wachowski

ALSO PRESENT: Dave Buss, Finance Director; Dave Dassey, IT Assistant; Jeff Dawson, Library Director; Brian Dellemann, Electric Utility Director; Matt Heckenlaible, Public Works Director; Elizabeth Runge, Community Development Director; Andrew Sukowaty, Water Utility Director; and Greg Buckley, City Manager.

4. CONSIDERATION OF ANY COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTS FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN THE MEETING:

Motion to allow remote participation in the meeting by Councilmember Koach.

Motion carried upon a roll call vote.

Motion made by Dahlke, Seconded by D. LeClair.

Voting Yea: Dahlke, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Petri, Ring, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

5. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Proposed 2023 City Budget – Brief Review by City Manager, Including Review of Budget Related Resolutions to be Presented for City Council Action at the City Council meeting on December 5, 2022

City Manager Buckley reported that a public hearing notice was published in the Herald Times Reporter and posted at locations throughout the City as required. The proposed 2023 budget has been available for review and inspection online at www.two-rivers.org and in person at City Hall and the Library. Mr. Buckley briefly reviewed the budget highlights and resolutions to be brought to the Council for adoption on December 5, 2022 before the public hearing was opened.

Council President Wachowski opened the public hearing and made three calls for input from the public. There was no one from the public present and wishing to comment on the proposed budget.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Opportunity for Council Discussion of any Matters Pertaining to the 2023 City Budget

Council reviewed the differences between the Community Tourism Fund and Tourism Development Special Revenue Funds, total capital projects spending, and discussed whether an increase to the general fund and property tax levy is justified.

Mr. Buckley also provided an overview of the history of the Business Improvement District (BID) tax levy used to support the operation of the Two Rivers Main Street program with reference to an e-mail that a downtown business owner had sent to him and the City Council. There was considerable discussion regarding the role and functions of Two Rivers Main Street, Inc. and the funding provided of that organization through the downtown area BID.

There were no suggested changes or information requests from the Council as a whole or from individual members.

B. Discuss the Review and Revision of City Council Goals at Future Meeting--Last Reviewed December 2021

The Council discussed the need to review and revise the City Council Goals and Objectives. A special Work Session meeting will be scheduled for this purpose in January 2023. In the meantime, the Personnel and Finance Committee will review progress on the 2021-22 Goals in tandem with the City Manager's evaluation.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes of this meeting and adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM.

Motion carried upon a voice vote.

Motion made by Dahlke, Seconded by D. LeClair. Voting Yea: Dahlke, B. LeClair, D. LeClair, Koach, Petri, Ring, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie Jackson City Clerk