

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

July 16, 2024

7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The scheduled meeting of the Junction City Commission was held on Tuesday, July 16th, 2024 with Mayor Pat Landes presiding.

The following members of the Commission were present: Pat Landes, Ronna Larson, Jeff Underhill, Al Gordon, & Richard Pinaire. Staff present was: City Manager Dinkel, City Clerk Diaz Lorenzo, Finance Director Jamel Wilcox, and City Attorney Stites.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Shawn Chauncey, 2728 Samantha Drive, Junction City, Kansas discussed the city selling parking lots and EMS contract with the county.

Jay Nuzum, 1436 Rucker Road, Junction City, Kansas wanted an update from regarding his permits for his barn. City Attorney, Stites discussed issues in the process and answered questions. He will give an update at the next meeting.

Veronica Nixon, 139 Skyline Drive, Junction City, Kansas discussed the fireworks schedule.

Mary Snipes, 222 East 15th Street, Junction City Kansas thanked staff for the support received for the events that she and her family put on in the community. She discussed future events she will be holding.

Jason McGlocklin, 1302 Oakview Drive, Junction City, Kansas discussed tree limb codes. Discussed issues with grass on Sandusky Street and Ash Street.

Carmen Hailey, 1621 North Monroe, Junction City, Kansas discussed the aftermath of storm and asked if there is any assistance available. City Manager Dinkel & Public Works Director Ibarra discussed the matter and answered questions.

Layleen Rosario & Malik Stephenson, 326 East 16th Street, discussed the aftermath of storm and asked if there is any assistance available.

Gary Olds, 3308 Frontier Circle, Manhattan, Kansas said his farewell to City Manager Dinkel.

CONSENT AGENDA

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Commissioner Underhill moved, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire to approve the consent agenda as noted below. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Pinaire & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Consideration of Appropriation Ordinance A-14 dated – July 2, 2024 – July 17, 2024, in the amount of \$639,730.14 and pre-approval for items listed below in the amount \$13,596.73.

Stormont Vail Health Systems \$4,330.00

DS&O \$8,264.92

Woodriver Energy \$185.10

Evergy \$816.71

- b. Consideration of the Special Event Permit application for the Oktoberfest taking place October 4th, 2024 & October 5th, 2024, & the approval to sell cereal malt beverages during the event.
- c. Consideration of City Commission Minutes from the July 2nd, 2024 Meeting.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

There was a presentation on the by the Assistant Chief of the Police Department to hand out certificates of appreciation for assistance during the June 28th rainstorm.

There was a presentation By LaDonna Junghans of the City Rotary Club on their 2024/2025 Project. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve support of the project and that Public Works will help with the sidewalk & concrete prep work, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Underhill, Landes, Larson, Pinaire, & Gordon. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pinaire stated that the presentation by Susan Jagerson of Live Well Geary Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Kansas Pathways will present at a later date.

There was a presentation by Nate Butler, Terra Stroda & Bob Story with an update on the 2024 Junction City Freedom Fest. Thanked all the city staff that came out to assist during the entire event and photographers.

There was a presentation by City Intern, Mark Thompson on the proposed policy for memorial trees, benches, & plaques.

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NEW BUSINESS

The request from Kendall Schoenrock to purchase the parking lost at the Southeast corner of 6th Street & Washington was discussed by City Manager Dinkel & City Attorney Stites. City Attorney Stites will continue to work on this and look at easements & maintenance costs.

The JCPOA Agreement was presented by Assistant Police Chief Odell. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the JCPOA Agreement as written, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Gordon, Larson, Pinaire, Landes, & Underhill. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. G-1246, amending the school zone time changes was presented. Public Works Director Ibarra gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Gordon moved to approve Ordinance No. G-1246, amending the school zone time changes was presented, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Underhill, Gordon, Larson, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. S-3298, Replat of the new Early Childhood Center & Proposed Site for The New Public Library was presented. City Manager Dinkel gave details. Commissioner Larson moved to approve Ordinance No. S-3298 with the amendment change of USD 475, Replat of the new Early Childhood Center & Proposed Site for The New Public Library, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Underhill, Gordon, Landes, Larson, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. S-3299, Final Plat for the Jackson Landing Project was presented. City Manager Dinkel gave details. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve Ordinance No. S-3299, Final Plat for the Jackson Landing Project, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Underhill, Gordon, Landes, Larson, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Change Order #1 for the Storm Sewer Improvements K-18 near Spring Valley Road and South Spring Valley Road to J & K Contracting, L.C. to deduct in the amount of \$1,807.00 was presented. Public Works Director Ibarra gave details. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Storm Sewer Improvements K-18 near Spring Valley Road and South Spring Valley Road to J & K Contracting, L.C. to deduct in the amount of \$1,807.00, seconded by Commissioner Gordon. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Consideration of Change Order No. 7 Water Treatment Plant Improvements Phase 2 Project was presented. Don Lindeman stated that the total cost would be exceeding the lending amount from KDHE, so Change Order No. 7 is being pulled from agenda. They are in discussion with KDHE to try to receive additional funding for additional costs.

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Amendment No. 5 to Service Authorization No. 30 for Engineering Services for the Water Treatment Phase 2 Improvements was removed from the agenda. Don Lindeman stated that the total cost would be exceeding the lending amount from KDHE. They are in discussion with KDHE to try to receive addition funding for additional costs.

Consideration of the Approval of Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 2 Construction Allowance Authorization 001 was presented by Lisa Odell. City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve the Approval of Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase 2 Construction Allowance Authorization 001, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Change Order No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Phase 2 Project was presented by Lisa Odell. City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve Change Order No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Phase 2 Project, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Amendment No. 5 to Service Authorization No. 29 for Engineering Services for the Wastewater Treatment Phase 2 Improvements was presented by Lisa Odell. City Manager Dinkel gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Underhill moved to approve Amendment No. 5 to Service Authorization No. 29 for Engineering Services for the Wastewater Treatment Phase 2 Improvements, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Larson, Underhill, Gordon, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Discussion on the consideration of the Veolia Extension Agreement. City Manager Dinkel, City Attorney Stites, & Dustin Lingenfelter with Veolia gave details and answered questions. Commissioner Pinaire moved to approve the Veolia Extension Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Landes, Gordon, Underhill, Larson & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege regarding the pending litigation in 24-CV-15 & the ongoing EMS negotiations with Geary County concerning FY 2024 and FY 2025 was held. Commissioner Underhill moved that the Commission recess for an executive session for 20 minutes at 9:23 p.m. to include the City Manager, City Attorney, City Finance Director, and The Junction City Fire Chief to consult with the City Attorney regarding agreements with Geary County. The justification for the executive session is to protect the attorney client privilege and is provided by KSA 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting is to resume in this room at 9:43 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Underhill,

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Gordon, Landes, & Larson. Nays: None. Pinaire Abstained. Motion carried. Commissioner Underhill moved to return from Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege regarding the pending litigation in 24-CV-15 & the ongoing EMS negotiations with Geary County concerning FY 2024 and FY 2025 moved to counter the Geary County offer and proposed a flat fee for fiscal year 2024 in the amount of \$145,000.00 per month, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Underhill, Gordon, Landes, & Larson. Nays: None. Pinaire Abstained. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

2025 City Budget Discussion. Commissioner Pinaire moved not to exceed the Revenue Natural Rate of 47.115, seconded by Commissioner Underhill. Ayes: Underhill & Pinaire. Nays: Gordon, Landes, & Larson. Motion failed.

Commissioner Gordon moved to exceed the Revenue Natural Rate of 47.115 with a mill levy rate of 50.115, seconded by Commissioner Larson. Ayes: Gordon, Landes, & Larson. Nays: Underhill & Pinaire. Motion carried.

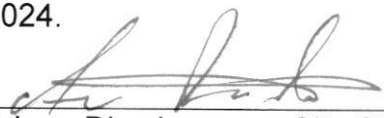
MAYOR, COMMISSIONER & STAFF COMMENTS

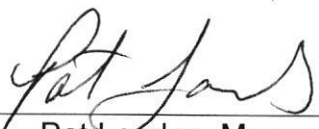
Mayor, Commissioners and Staff provided reports on Committees and Community Events.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Underhill moved, seconded by Commissioner Pinaire to adjourn at 10:02 p.m. Ayes: Underhill, Gordon, Landes, Larson, & Pinaire. Nays: None. Motion carried.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED THIS 6TH DAY OF AUGUST AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE JUNCTION CITY COMMISSION MINUTES FOR JULY 16TH, 2024.


Ariana Diaz Lorenzo, City Clerk


Pat Landes, Mayor



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