

City Council
May 15, 2024
5:30 pm

The Atlantic City Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall with Mayor Garrett presiding. Upon roll call, the following were present: Ward 1 Council Kennedy, Ward 2 Council Behrens, Ward 3 Council McDermott, Ward 4 Council Sarsfield, Ward 5 Council Halder, At Large Council Brink, At Large Council Otte, City Administrator Lund, City Engineer Sturm, Acting City Clerk Tupper. Absent: None.

Motion by Brink; second by Sarsfield to approve the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by McDermott; second by Behrens to approve Consent Agenda as follows: Minutes of the May 1, 2024, City Council meeting, Tree Trimmer Permit – Midwest Tree Service, Tax Abatement Application – 1310 Chestnut Street, and bills totaling \$81,885.01. All ayes. Motion carried.

Public Forum – Jackie Sampson spoke in favor of a new child development center. Nick Hunt spoke on behalf of Vision Atlantic.

Motion by McDermott; second by Kennedy to approve Order Regarding the request by Dan Vargason for a Special Fireworks Display on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 1303 Maple, should the Atlantic Softball Team host the Regional Softball Final and win the game. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brink; second by Halder to approve the Recommendation Report from the Planning and Zoning Commission on the request by Rob Stamp for the city to Vacate the Phantom Right-of-way that begins at the corner of West 4th Street and Laurel Street, going westbound and terminating at the Phantom Railroad ROW. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Behrens; second by Sarsfield to Approve an order to Direct the City Administrator to proceed with the Legal Process of Vacating the Phantom Right-of-way (ROW) that begins at the corner of West 4th Street and Laurel Street, going westbound and terminating at the Phantom Railroad ROW. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 5:48 p.m., Mayor Garrett opened the Public Hearing on the Receipt and Approval of Proposals for the Disposal and Development of certain City-owned Real Property in the Southeast Urban Renewal District. No comments were received. Motion by McDermott; second by Behrens to close the public hearing at 5:49 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

City Council Reviewed and Discussed the Proposal(s) regarding the Disposal and Development of Certain City-owned Real Property in the Southeast Urban Renewal District.

Motion by McDermott; second by Kennedy to close the Review and Discussion of the Proposal(s) regarding the Disposal and Development of Certain City-owned Real Property in the Southeast Urban Renewal District.

Motion by Brink; second by Behrens to approve Resolution #35-24 "APPROVING DISPOSITION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY IN THE SOUTHEAST URBAN RENEWAL AREA." Ayes: Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield, Halder, Brink, Otte, Kennedy. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Behrens; second by Kennedy to approve the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1043 "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 RECODIFICATION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF ATLANTIC, IOWA ENACTED TO ASSIST CITY OFFICIALS AND THE RAGBRAI COMMITTEE DEAL WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES CREATED BY THE INFUSION OF A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INTO THE CITY OF ATLANTIC WHEN THE DES MOINES REGISTER'S ANNUAL GREAT BICYCLE RIDE ACROSS IOWA (RAGBRAI) ARRIVES IN ATLANTIC ON JULY 22, 2024 AND DEPARTS ON JULY 23, 2024." Ayes: Brink, Otte, Kennedy, Behrens, McDermott, Sarsfield, Halder. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Administrator's Report: City Administrator Lund reported that there are many exciting things going on in the city.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Garrett attended the Community Protection meeting.

City Council Reports

Otte- Personnel & Finance, Retail Coach, Planning & Zoning; Kennedy- Community Protection, Beautification; McDermott- Library; Sarsfield- Personnel & Finance; Halder- Landfill, Community Protection.

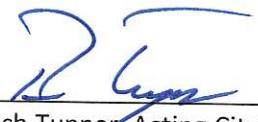
Motion by Sarsfield; second by Halder to Enter into Closed Session Under Iowa Code 21.5(j) " TO DISCUSS THE PURCHASE OF PARTICULAR REAL ESTATE ONLY WHERE PREMATURE DISCLOSURE COULD BE REASONABLY EXPECTED TO INCREASE THE PRICE THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY WOULD HAVE TO PAY FOR THAT PROPERTY. All ayes. Motion carried. Council entered closed session at 6:13 p.m.

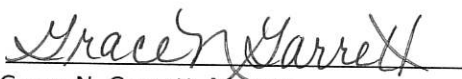
Motion by McDermott; second by Kennedy to end closed session. All ayes. Motion carried. Closed session ended at 6:29 p.m.

Motion by Behrens; second by Brink to re-open the open session. All ayes. Motion carried. Open session re-opened at 6:30 p.m.

Motion by Kennedy; second by McDermott to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

ATTEST:


Rich Tupper, Acting City Clerk


Grace N. Garrett, Mayor