

MINUTES OF THE FAIRFIELD CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 8, 2021

The Fairfield City Council met in regular session on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. with Mayor Boyer presiding. Members present were: Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Flournoy, Anderson, Ham and Twohill.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Ham, seconded by Anderson

AYES: Ham, Anderson, Gandy, Halley, Twohill, Rasmussen and Flournoy

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25,
2021 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

**TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 5, 2021 PAYROLL
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,091.31.**

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3910 AUTHORIZING
FUND TRANSFERS.**

**TO APPROVE NOISE EXEMPTIONS FOR PARK USE
PERMITS FOR FIRST FRIDAY'S ARTWALK.**

TO ACCEPT THE ARBOR COMMITTEE MINUTES.

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FAIRFIELD
ARTS & CONVENTION CENTER.**

**TO APPROVE A LIQUOR LICENSE FOR DOLLAR
GENERAL STORE NO. 7142.**

**TO APPROVE OPERATING CLAIMS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$754,267.64**

RESOLUTIONS, ACTION ITEMS & ORDINANCES

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Anderson, Flournoy, Halley, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham and Gandy

**TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR FY21
WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Anderson, Flournoy, Rasmussen, Halley, Twohill, Gandy and Ham

**TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR SOUTH
32ND STREET RESURFACING PROJECT FOR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.**

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Rasmussen, Flournoy, Anderson, Twohill, Gandy, Ham and Halley

**TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR NORTH
4TH STREET RESURFACING PROJECT FOR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 AT 7:00 PM.**

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Rasmussen, Flournoy, Anderson, Twohill, Gandy, Ham and Halley

**TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR FY22
MAX LEVY FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22,
2021 AT 7:00 PM.**

Moved by Flournoy, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Flournoy, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham and Anderson

**TO APPROVE THE ENGINEERING SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH FRENCH-RENEKER
ASSOCIATES FOR BURLINGTON AVENUE
RESTRIPIING.**

Moved by Flournoy, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Flournoy, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham and Anderson

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3911
TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATION FOR
201 W JEFFERSON AVENUE (LEDGER-KALEN).**

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Anderson, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham and Flournoy

TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 3912

**PROVIDING FOR FY22 FINANCIAL
SUPPORT OF AREA 15 REGIONAL
PLANNING COMMISSION IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$4,732.00.**

Moved by Flournoy, seconded by Twohill

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION PROVIDING
FOR FY22 FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
AREA 15 REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMISSION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,798.00.**

MOTION FAILED.

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Anderson, Gandy, Halley, Rasmussen, Flournoy, Ham and Twohill

**TO TABLE RESOLUTION PROVIDING
FOR FY22 FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
AREA 15 REGIONAL PLANNING
COMMISSION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,798.00.**

Moved by Flournoy, seconded by Anderson

AYES: Flournoy, Anderson, Halley, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham and Gandy

**TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO 3914
DECLARING AN OFFICIAL INTENT UNDER
TREASURY REGULATION 1.150-2 TO
ISSUE DEBT TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR
CERTAIN ORIGINAL EXPENDITURES PAID
IN CONNECTION WITH SPECIFIED PROJECTS
FOR THE \$1.5 MILLION STREET BOND PACKAGE.**

Mayor Boyer opened a public hearing on the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1196 amending Fairfield Municipal Codes 20.08 and 20.34 General and Manufactured Home Residence District. Don Hoelting spoke in favor of the ordinance. There were no further verbal or written objections so the public hearing was closed.

Moved by Halley, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Halley, Gandy, Rasmussen, Twohill, Ham, Anderson and Flournoy

**TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1196 BY
REDUCING THE MINIMUM SQUARE
FOOTAGE FROM SEVEN HUNDRED
TWENTY (720) TO SEVEN HUNDRED
(700) SPECIFIED IN SECTION 6 (a).**

Moved by Rasmussen, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Rasmussen, Flournoy, Halley, Ham, Gandy, Anderson and Twohill

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1196 THROUGH THE
THIRD AND FINAL READING AMENDING FAIRFIELD
MUNICIPAL CODES 20.08 AND 20.34 GENERAL AND
MANUFACTURED HOME RESIDENCE DISTRICT WITH
THE AMENDMENT TO MINIMUM SQUARE FOOTAGE.**

Mayor Boyer opened a public hearing on the first reading of an Ordinance amending Fairfield's Flood Plain. There were no verbal or written objections so the public hearing was closed.

Moved by Halley, seconded by Twohill

AYES: Halley, Twohill, Rasmussen, Flournoy, Anderson, Gandy and Ham

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1197 THROUGH THE
FIRST READING AMENDING THE FLOOD PLAIN
CODE.**

Mayor Boyer opened a public hearing on the first reading of an Ordinance amending pay compensation for Mayor and Council. There were no further verbal or written objections so the public hearing was closed. Councilmember Gandy requested the wording for Council (Section 1.) correspond with the Mayor's (Section 2.) in regards to annual increases.

Moved by Gandy, seconded by Halley

AYES: Gandy, Halley, Flournoy, Anderson, Twohill, Ham and Rasmussen

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1198 THROUGH THE
FIRST READING AMENDING PAY COMPENSATION
FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL WITH A FRIENDLY
AMENDMENT.**

Mayor Boyer opened a public hearing on the first reading of an Ordinance creating Mixed Use Zoning District. Christian Stewart, 400 North 4th Street, spoke in against the ordinance, voicing concerns of the future use of his property. Another citizen rose to ask a question on the height restrictions. There were no further verbal or written objections so the public hearing was closed.

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Gandy

AYES: Twohill, Gandy, Rasmussen, Halley, Flournoy, Anderson, and Ham

**TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1199 THROUGH THE
FIRST READING CREATING MIXED USE ZONING.**

MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Boyer asked for Council approval of appointments to the Carnegie Museum Board.

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Ham

AYES: Anderson, Ham, Twohill, Gandy, Rasmussen, Halley and Flournoy

**TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS OF MARY KELLER
AND KAREN PRICE TO THE CARNEGIE MUSEUM
BOARD REPLACING NICKI GILCHRIST AND BARB
SIEREN.**

Mayor Boyer brought to Council attention that at the State level two Files would take away local control of the allowance of specific dog breeds; she would like the Public Safety and Transportation Committee to review the Files.

Moved by Gandy, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Gandy, Flournoy, Rasmussen, Ham, Twohill, Anderson and Halley

**TO REFER THE HOUSE AND SENATE FILES
REGARDING SPECIFIC DOG BREEDS TO THE
PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.**

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Morrissey updated Council on the pending Midwest Ambulance lawsuit; a draft release has been submitted. He also stated his opinion of the House and Senate Files on specific dog breeds is overreach.

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Ways and Means Committee Chair Gandy reported they have reviewed the upcoming budget and will meet again over the Capital Improvements Plan. Member Flournoy brought to everyone's attention a two cent levy is being proposed for the Civic Center and suggested specific wording is put in the impending lease agreement designating the use.

Public Safety and Transportation Committee Chair Anderson recounted the items Committee had met upon; sidewalk along 23rd Street; bike lane on Burlington Ave.; sidewalk along 9th Street and future fire station site. Discussion will continue; however, no action items for Council at this time.

ADMINISTRATOR & DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Administrator Aaron Kooiker gave an update on the review of the City Code, with a prospective deadline of the end of April.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Twohill, seconded by Flournoy

AYES: Twohill, Flournoy, Rasmussen, Ham, Gandy, Halley, and Anderson

TO ADJOURN AT 8:43 P.M.

Submitted by:

Rebekah Loper
City Clerk