## CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LOVES PARK, ILLINOIS

Journal of Proceedings Regular Meeting, Monday, October 26, 2020 Virtual Meeting held at www.cityoflovespark.com

Mayor Gregory Jury called to order the online live-streamed meeting of the Loves Park City Council, as necessitated by the COVID-19 Virus Pandemic, at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Mark Peterson opened the meeting with an invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Present: Mayor Gregory Jury

Aldermen Mark Peterson, A. Marie Holmes, Robert Schlensker, Doug Allton, Nancy Warden, John Jacobson, Jim Puckett, Clint Little, John Pruitt, Charles Frykman

Also City Clerk Bob Burden
Present: City Attorney Gino Galluzzo

1. Approve Minutes 10/19/20

The Journal of Proceedings for the regular meeting of October 19, 2020 was approved as submitted by the city clerk on a motion by Alderman Little. Second by Alderman Schlensker. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

2. Commission Hearing

Received a notice from the Illinois Commerce Commission of a hearing regarding Northern Illinois Gas Company, to be held November 4, 2020, in the offices of the Commission, Chicago, IL. Placed on file.

3. Letter from Pastor K.D. Bodwell

Received a letter to the Loves Park City Council from Pastor K.D. Bodwell of Windsor Baptist Church, regarding his opposition to recreational marijuana businesses in Loves Park. Placed on file.

4. Yard Waste & Recycling Pick Up

Mayor Jury commented that Rock River Disposal will alternate weeks for yard waste and recycling, with recycling this week. He added that leaf vacuuming has started and will go thru the whole city this week.

Water Department Bills Alderman Jacobson presented the Water Department bills dated October 19, 2020 in the amount of \$170,427.05, and moved that they be paid. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

6. General Fund Bills

Alderman Jacobson presented the General Fund bills dated October 19, 2020 in the amount of \$134,749.01, and moved that they be paid. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

7. Public Safety Report

Alderman Allton presented the Police Department Report dated October 26, 2020, to be placed on file.

8. Public Works Report

Alderman Schlensker presented the Street Department Report dated October 26, 2020; presented the Water Department Report dated October 26, 2020, to be placed on file.

9. Finance & Administration Committee

Alderman Peterson of the Finance and Administration Committee presented General Fund and all other bills dated October 26, 2020 in the amount of \$394,391.33, for consideration at next week's city council meeting; presented the Treasurer's Report for September, 2020, with an ending balance of \$6,517,270.45; presented the minutes from the committee meeting held October 19, 2020, to be placed on file.

10. Public Works Committee Alderman Schlensker of the Public Works Committee presented the Water Department list of bills dated October 26, 2020 in the amount of \$45,486.14; for consideration at next week's city council meeting.

11. Codes & Regulations

Alderman Peterson of the Codes and Regulations Committee presented the minutes from the committee meeting held July 6, 2020, to be placed on file.

12. ORD 4371-20 Employee Salary Ordinance Alderman Jacobson presented for second reading an ordinance fixing and approving wages, salaries, fees or compensation for city employees, and moved for passage of the ordinance. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

**ORDINANCE NO. 4371-20** 

13. 1st Reading Variance For 5855 Windy Knoll Drive Alderman Schlensker presented for first reading an ordinance allowing for a Variance in the driveway approach width for the property known as 5855 Windy Knoll Drive, and moved to waive the reading of the ordinance as all aldermen have been provided copies. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman) Laid over

14. Suspend Rules

Alderman Schlensker moved to suspend any and all rules to bring the above ordinance in for second reading. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

15. ORD 4372-20 Variance For 5855 Windy Knoll Drive Alderman Schlensker presented for second reading an ordinance allowing for a Variance in the driveway approach width for the property known as 5855 Windy Knoll Drive, and moved for passage of the ordinance. Second by Alderman Peterson. Motion carried. 10 Ayes (Aldermen Peterson, Holmes, Schlensker, Allton, Warden, Jacobson, Puckett, Little, Pruitt, Frykman)

**ORDINANCE NO. 4372-20** 

16. Public Comment

Pastor Bart Bentley of Journey Church Ministries spoke about the negative impact a cannabis dispensary would have on the community if the city should allow a dispensary to locate in Loves Park.

17. Adjourn

Alderman Jacobson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Second by Alderman Schlensker. Motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

**APPROVED:** 

Robert J. Burden, City Clerk

## **STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Following Council Meeting 6:15 p.m. Community Development:

Finance and Administration: Prior to Council Meeting

5:40 p.m.

Prior to Council Meeting 5:15 p.m. Public Works:

Zoning Board of Appeals: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month 5:30 p.m.