

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, March 8, 2022

*Please note the regular City Council Meeting was held as an electronic and in person meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mikkelsen Tuesday March 8, 2022 at 5:36 p.m. at the Grimes Community Complex, 410 SE Main Street, Grimes, Iowa. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Mikkelsen.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Scott Mikkelsen, Council Members: David Gisch, Andrew Borcharding, Ryan Burger, Laurie DePhillips, Eric Johansen

AGENDA ITEMS

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Mikkelsen asked for approval of the agenda.

Moved by Borcharding, Seconded by Johansen, to approve the agenda

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes from previous meeting B. ABD License Renewals a. Americinn: Special Class C, and Sunday Sales b. Yesway Store # 1037: Class E Liquor; Class B Wine, Class C Beer, Sunday Sales B. Resolution 03-0322 To Enter into A Sports Complex Facility Use Agreement with Central Iowa Sports C. Resolution 03-0722 Approving Quotes and Bills Over \$10,000 D. Set a Public Hearing for Budget Fiscal Year 2022-23 for March 22, 2022 E. Resolution 03-0522 Assigning Addresses for Multiple City of Grimes' Parkland F. Professional Payments a. Whitfield and Eddy Law – Legal Services \$6,956.00 b. Pay Request #39 Veenstra & Kimm, Inc for the WRA Connector \$13,086.08 c. Pay Request #21 d. Veenstra & Kimm, Inc for the Northwest Territory Lift Station and Forced Main Project \$2,090.98 e. Pay Request #2 to Snyder & Associates, Inc for the Traffic Signal Network Communication Project \$13,860.00 f. Emergency Services Consulting International \$6,280.00 (1/2 cost reimbursed by City of Johnston) g. Nilles and Associates – Engineering Services \$11,500.00 H. Pay Requests: a. Pay Request #6 to Absolute Concrete for County Line Road Intersection Improvement \$19,130.41 b. Pay Request #1 S.J. Louis for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 1 \$97,850.00 I. Resolution 03-1022 Approving Personnel Transactions Job Descriptions J. Resolution 03-0922 Authorizing Human Resources Director to Sign Collective Bargaining Contract for American Federation of State, County, And Municipal Employees, Iowa Council 61 (“AFSCME”, July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 K. Resolution 03-0422 Approving the City of Grimes Participation in Further Discussions and Exploration Concerning the Establishment of Central Iowa Water Works L. Resolution 03-0822 Amendment to The Agreement for Cooperative Public Service Between Polk County, Iowa and The Central Iowa Watershed Management Authorities for The Funding of a Watershed Coordinator Position M. Resolution 03-1722 Approving Offer to Purchase and Agreement – WRA Sundet Property N. Resolution 03-1822 Approving Offer to Purchase and Agreement - WRA Wolfswinkel Property O. Resolution 03-1922 Approving Offer to Purchase and Agreement WRA Waterford Landing Property P. Resolution 03-2022 Approving Offer to Purchase and Agreement – WRA Pearson Property Q. Governors Days Requests from Grimes Chamber and Economic Development R. Receiving and Filing of Correspondence S. Claims Report Total \$877,500.48.

Motion by Borcharding, Seconded by Gisch, to approve the Consent Agenda.
Roll Call: Ayes: All; Nays: None Motion passes 5 - 0

PUBLIC FORUM - None

PUBLIC AND COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

A. Donation Presentation to the New Library Building Fund by Mid-American Energy

Dustin Wedlund, Business Connections Manager from Mid-American presented a \$25,000 donation for the new Grimes library building fund. Mayor Mikkelsen, Library Director Cheryl Heid, and Library Board President Gary Schroeder accepted the generous donation. Schroeder offered appreciation to Mid-American Energy as well as the Library Board, staff, and Council for all the support and hard work provided to achieve the goals toward building the new library. Library Director Cheryl Heid provided an update on their ongoing fund-raising efforts. She stated that to date \$699,000 has been raised.

B. Max Levy

City Administrator Jake Anderson addressed Council stating that the following proceedings are part of the formal process to adopt the 2023 Fiscal Budget. Anderson said this will lower the overall property tax rate from \$11.41 to \$11.18 per thousand. Anderson stated these actions provide for a maximum collection of \$9,389,500.

1. Public Hearing on Proposed Max Levy for Fiscal Year 22-23

Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:43 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 5:43 pm.

2. Resolution 03-0122 Approving Proposed Max Levy for Fiscal Year 22-23

Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Burger, to approve Resolution 03-0122 Approving Proposed Max Levy for Fiscal Year 22-23

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

C. WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 2

City Engineer Matt Arends addressed the Council regarding the recent bids for the WRA Connector Contract 2. Arends stated they had a total of five bids, which came in only slightly over the engineers estimate. Arends said the low bid was provided by S.M. Hentges & Sons of Joran, Minnesota in the amount of \$9,530,000. Arends told the Council that the following three resolutions are to adopt the plans, make award of the contract, and authorizing construction for the WRA Connector Contract 2.

a. Public Hearing on the WRA Grimes Connector Contract 2

Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:45 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 5:45 pm.

b. Resolution 03-1122 Adopting Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 2

Motion by Johansen, Seconded by DePhillips, to approve Resolution 03-1122 adopting plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 2

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

c. Resolution 03-1222 Making Award of Construction Contract for the WRA Grimes Connector - Contract 2 to S.M. Hentges & Sons, Inc of Jordan, Minnesota in the amount of \$9,530,000.00
Motion by Johansen, Seconded by DePhillips, to approve Resolution 03-1222 making award of construction contract for the WRA Grimes Connector - Contract 2 to S.M. Hentges & Sons, Inc of Jordan, Minnesota in the amount of \$9,530,000.00
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

d. Resolution 03-1322 Authorizing Construction Contract and Bond for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 2
Motion by Johansen, Seconded by DePhillips, to approve Resolution 03-1322 authorizing construction contract and bond for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 2
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

D. WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 3

City Engineer Matt Ahrens told the Council that this phase of the WRA project received 4 bids, with Rognes Corporation of Ankeny, Iowa being the low bidder for the force main and gravity pump station. Ahrens said this bid came in a \$8,235,801. Ahrens notified the Council that due to the scope of the project, there would have to be some tree removal involved to accomplish the work.

a. Public Hearing on the WRA Grimes Connector - Contract 3
Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:50 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 5:50 pm.

b. Resolution 03-1422 Adopting Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract and Estimate of Cost for the WRA Grimes Connectors – Contract 3
Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding , to approve Resolution 03-1422 adopting plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the WRA Grimes Connectors – Contract 3
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

c. Resolution 03-1522 Making Award of Construction Contract for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 3 to Rognes Corporation of Ankeny, Iowa in the amount of \$8,235,801.00
Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding, to approve Resolution 03-1522 making award of construction contract for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 3 to Rognes Corporation of Ankeny, Iowa in the amount of \$8,235,801.00
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

d. Resolution 03-1622 Authorizing Construction Contract and Bond for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 3
Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding, to approve Resolution 03-1622 authorizing construction contract and bond for the WRA Grimes Connector – Contract 3
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

E. Loan Agreements

City Administrator Anderson addressed the Council stating that the Code of Iowa requires that the Council hold a hearing and then take additional action on a proposal to issue debt to be repaid with property tax revenues. Anderson said this is necessary to advance the Capital Improvement Projects for fiscal year 2023.

Anderson said the proposed loans include \$700,000 for undertaking improvements and repairs to municipal facilities, trail and installing security systems, and \$5,400,000 for infrastructure signalization projects, vehicles and equipment.

1. Public Hearing on Proposal to Enter into An Essential Purpose Loan Agreement

Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:58 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 5:58 pm.

2. Public Hearing on Proposal to Enter into A General Purpose Loan Agreement

Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 5:58 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 5:58 pm.

3. Resolution 03-0222 Taking Additional Action on Proposals to Enter into General Obligation Loan Agreements, providing for the Combination of Certain General Obligation Loan Agreements, And Providing for The Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same

Motion by Johansen, Seconded by Gisch, to approve Resolution 03-0222 taking additional action on proposals to enter into General Obligation Loan Agreements, providing for the combination of certain General Obligation Loan Agreements, and providing for the levy of taxes to pay the same.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

F. Amending an Ordinance with regard to Solicitation of Funds

City Administrator Anderson advised the Council that the City Attorney had recommended a revision to the Code of Ordinances Section 5-3-3 (1) to (5) with regard to solicitation of funds. Anderson said this revision would align the City Ordinances with the current federal interpretation of fund solicitation to be an equivalent of free speech.

a. Public Hearing on Amending Grimes Code of Ordinances Section in Regard to Solicitation of Funds
Mayor Mikkelsen opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 pm. Being no written or oral comments, Mayor Mikkelsen closed the Public Hearing at 6:01pm

b. First Reading of Ordinance 759 Amending Grimes Code of Ordinances Section 5-3-3 (1) to (5) With Regard to Solicitation of Funds

Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding, to approve the First Reading of Ordinance 759 amending Grimes Code of Ordinances section 5-3-3 (1) to (5) with regard to solicitation of funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding, to the Second and Third Reading of Ordinance 759 amending Grimes Code of Ordinances section 5-3-3 (1) to (5) with regard to solicitation of funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

Motion by Gisch, Seconded by Borcharding, to approve Final Passage of Ordinance 759 amending Grimes Code of Ordinances section 5-3-3 (1) to (5) with regard to solicitation of funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

Mayor Mikkelsen introduced the Council to the new Communications Manager Whitney Tucker.

ADJOURN

Motion by Johansen, Seconded by Gisch, to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m.
Roll Call: Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passes: 5 to 0.

ATTEST:

Rochelle Williams, City Clerk

Scott Mikkelsen, Mayor