

Meeting of: **MEETING OF COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOUGHTON**

Date//Time: Tuesday, February 9, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m. The GoToMeeting line will be open at 6:50 p.m. so everyone can get connected. No business will be conducted until 7:00 p.m.

Location: **The meeting of the Common Council will be conducted virtually due to COVID-19. You can join the meeting from your computer tablet or smartphone: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/370002901>. You can also dial in using your phone: +1 (571) 317-3116 . Access Code: 370-002-901.**

Members: Mayor Tim Swadley, Sid Boersma, Phil Caravello, Ozzie Doom, Ben Heili, Regina Hirsch, Fred Hundt, Greg Jenson, Jean Ligocki, Tom Majewski, Lisa Reeves, and Brett Schumacher, Joyce Tikalsky

### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### Roll Call, Communications, and Presentations:

Mayor Swadley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Clerk Licht called the roll and noted there were 9 Alders present. Ligocki arrive at 7:04 p.m. Alders Reeves and Jenson were absent and excused.

Mayor Swadley noted it is Black History Month.

Mayor Swadley thanked the Public Works Department for their work with the recent snow events.

#### Minutes and Reports: the following minutes were entered into the record.

Finance (1/12/21); Public Safety (12/16/20); CACP (1/5/21, 1/14/21); Parks & Rec (12/15/20); Whitewater Park (10/19/20); Public Works (12/17/20); Tree Commission (12/10/20)

#### Public Comment Period:

- Cathy Christman, 520 N Van Buren St., registered in favor of R-15-2021. Her comments were read.
- Louisa Havlik, 521 Mellum Dr., registered in favor of R-15-2021. Her comments were read.
- Jenny Britain, owner of Blue Wing Physical Therapy, spoke regarding R-15-2021. She suggested turning 1 and 2 over to the Senior Center and leaving the lease agreements with suites 3 and 4.

#### Consent Agenda

- A. January 26, 2021 Council Minutes
- B. **R-12-2021**- Authorizing and directing the proper city official(s) to issue Operator Licenses to various applicants.

Motion by Tikalsky, second by Doom to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried 10-0.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **O--4-2021-** Amending Zoning Code Section 78-810 of the Stoughton Municipal Code

Motion by Caravello, second by Hundt to approve O-4-2021 Amending Zoning Code Section 78-810 of the Stoughton Municipal Code. Motion carried 10-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **R- 13-2021-** Accepting the ADA Audit and Transition Plan completed by MSA Professional Services

Motion by Caravello, second by Tikalsky to approve R-13-2021 Accepting the ADA Audit and Transition Plan completed by MSA Professional Services. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-14-2021-** Authorize the Parks & Recreation Director to accept the bid and bid alternative from Speedway Sand & Gravel for Rotary Park improvements and use Park Development Funds not to exceed \$90,000 to cover the funding gap.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Caravello to approve R-14-2021 Authorize the Parks & Recreation Director to accept the bid and bid alternative from Speedway Sand & Gravel for Rotary Park improvements and use Park Development Funds not to exceed \$90,000 to cover the funding gap. Motion carried 10-0.

**R- 15-2021-** Resolution authorizing the proper City official(s) to terminate all existing Senior Center Lease agreements effective September 30, 2021 and enter into revised agreements for all units for the period from October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Tikalsky to approve R-15-2021 Resolution authorizing the proper City official(s) to terminate all existing Senior Center Lease agreements effective September 30, 2021 and enter into revised agreements for all units for the period from October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022. Majewski stated that he is worried about the loss of revenue. Motion by Boersma, second by Hundt to terminate agreements with suites 1 and 2 effective December 31, 2022 and keep rental agreements with suites 3 and 4. Motion failed with Majewski and Boersma voting "yes". Original motion carried 8-2 with Majewski and Boersma voting "no".

**R-16-2021-** Resolution authorizing the proper City official(s) to engage the Canadian law firm of Cassels, Brock and Blackwell, LLP to assist the City with navigating the Canadian Companies Creditors Arrangement Act as it pertains to North American Fur Auctions, Inc.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Doom to approve R-16-2021 Resolution authorizing the proper City official(s) to engage the Canadian law firm of Cassels, Brock and Blackwell, LLP to assist the City with navigating the Canadian Companies Creditors Arrangement Act as it pertains to North American Fur Auctions, Inc. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-18-2021**- Resolution authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City Stoughton to utilize up to \$2,500 in 2021 contingency funding to cover the application costs associated with up to \$400,000 in grant opportunities.

Motion by Schumacher, second by Hirsch to approve R-18-2021 Resolution authorizing the Redevelopment Authority of the City Stoughton to utilize up to \$2,500 in 2021 contingency funding to cover the application costs associated with up to \$400,000 in grant opportunities. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-19-2021**- Authorizing and directing City staff to commence processing a request for Tax Incremental Financing (“TIF”) for the 51 West Neighborhood in accordance with the City’s adopted TIF Policy.

Motion by Boersma, second by Schumacher to approve R-19-2021 Authorizing and directing City staff to commence processing a request for Tax Incremental Financing (“TIF”) for the 51 West Neighborhood in accordance with the City’s adopted TIF Policy. Majewski spoke in opposition of starting a new TIF District. Motion carried 9-1 with Majewski voting “no”.

**R-20-2021**- Amending the Council Rule Number 6: Order of Business

Motion by Heili, second by Ligocki to approve R-20-2021 Amending the Council Rule Number 6: Order of Business. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-21- 2021**- Adopting an application for Mayoral Citizen Appointees to Committees, Commissions, and Boards

Motion by Heili, second by Schumacher to R-21-2021 Adopting an application for Mayoral Citizen Appointees to Committees, Commissions, and Boards. Motion carried 10-0.

**R-17-2021**- Approving the WB-15 Commercial Offer to Purchase as amended by Counteroffer No. 1 for the purchase of Lot 4 of CSM No. 15363 located in the City of Stoughton, County of Dane, Wisconsin (“Property”) (*Finance recommended approval 5-0 on January 26, 2021*) \*\*\* *The City Council may convene in closed session per State Statute 19.85(1)(e) for the purposes of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons deem a closed session necessary. The City Council may reconvene in an open session to discuss and take action on the subject matter discussed in the closed session*\*\*\*

Motion by Schumacher, second by Heili to approve R-17-2021 Approving the WB-15 Commercial Offer to Purchase as amended by Counteroffer No. 1 for the purchase of Lot 4 of CSM No. 15363 located in the City of Stoughton, County of Dane, Wisconsin (“Property”). Motion carried 10-0.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Majewski, second by Hundt to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Motion carried 10-0.