

The second meeting of December for the Denver City Council, Bremer County, Iowa was held on Monday December 21, 2020 at the Denver City Hall Council Chambers. Council Members present were Gavin Carman, Sean Hartman, Mark Richmann, Joel Wikner, Matt Wittenburg. There were twelve people in attendance and three people on Zoom.

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

Motion Wikner, second Richmann to Approve the Agenda. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Wittenburg, second Hartman to approve the Minutes of December 7, 2020. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

There was no Public Forum.

Jim Moeller of 400 Iowa Street requested the City Council to purchase 668 Square Feet of public property along his West property line in order to square up his property line.

Motion Carman, second Wikner to approve Resolution No. 84-2020 to Set Date for a Public Hearing for January 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. to consider Disposing of 668 Sq. Ft. Legally Described Public Property to the Highest Bidder. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Police Chief Gary Everding presented the Denver Police Department Budget Request for FY 2022. The Denver Police Department is requesting a 2.50% wage increase, Lexipol Subscription, Weapons Lights, Holsters and a Tint Meter and to reserve \$15,000 for the purchase of the next Police Vehicle. Total Police Department Budget Request \$299,774.93.

Fire Chief Todd Seelhammer and Treasurer Keith Oltrogge presented the Denver Fire Department Budget Request. The Fire Department is requesting \$42,000 for 14 sets of Turnout Gear at \$3,000 per set, \$3,000 for a Water Softener at the Fire Station, repair the Roof Gutter at an estimated cost of \$3,000 and \$10,000 for equipment.

Water/Sewer Superintendent Keith Kuenstling requested a new pickup at \$45,000, two sample stations for monthly water sampling, \$1,500 each and that does not include installation, Hydraulic Valve Turning Machine in the amount of \$20,000, increase the amount for Sewer Plant Replacement Parts by \$10,000.

Librarian Kelly Platte is asking for a 3.0% increase in funding due to increasing operating costs for a Total Budget request of \$162,780. The Denver Library Board would like to work with the City on putting funds aside for painting and replacing the carpeting in the library.

Darcy Wittenburg presented the FY 2022 Park & Recreation Budget that included two new volleyball nets, the Denver School is building a Pitcher's Mound for the Park & Rec. and baseball and softball equipment.

Gene Leonhart representing the Denver Tree Board thanked the Public Works Department for doing a such a good job of street sweeping this Fall. The Tree Board is planning on planting trees this Spring and will be planting trees along South State Street using the I.D.O.T. Tree Grant Funds. In the FO 2022 Tree Budget the Tree Board is requesting \$15,000 for trees and treatment of existing trees. Gene informed the Council that we are losing more trees that we are planting. Josh Jensen joined the Tree Board last week and will be a good addition to the Tree Board. The Tree Board is planning on doing a Spring and Fall Planting Days in 2021.

Electric Superintendent Larry Zars Budget Request for the Electric Department included a new service truck at \$45,000, and new electric locator at \$4,000, underground utility improvement for 14 houses between Main Street and Washington Street \$20,000, Tree Trimming Services \$5,000, Metal Detector \$570, a Dry Storage Building and Iowa Street Overhead to Underground Electric Project.

Street/Park Superintendent Brent Platte requested \$6,000 to repair the 2001 Sterling Dump Truck Dump Box in the amount of \$6,000, replace the John Deere 1550 Front Mount Mower for \$19,700, replace the John Deere 749 Lawn Tractor for \$12,500 and replace the Cat Tractor.

Greater Denver Chamber of Commerce President Rene Valverde and Chris Pletz requested \$3,500 for FY 2022 for ongoing Chamber expenses and Chris Pletz suggested the Council consider updating its webpage and combine the City's and Chamber's Webpage into one webpage so the public can search one location for information and events. The estimated cost to update the City's Webpage is \$5,475 depending how many years of City Council Agendas and Minutes are transferred to the new webpage. Transferring numerous files takes time.

Ambulance Crew Chief Amber Heller presented the Denver Ambulance Service FY 2022 Budget Request. The Ambulance Service is using a new billing Company so they are anticipating an increase of \$15,000 in revenues in FY 2022. The Ambulance Service is requesting a 3% pay increase in salaries and \$1,500 increase in Uniforms /Apparel and other line items to remain the same.

Motion Richmann, second Wikner to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 5-2020 Repealing Title 20 Chapter 20.16 Regarding Special Flood Hazard Area and Enacting in lieu thereof a New Ordinance Entitled Floodplain Management. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Hartman, second Wittenburg to approve Waiving the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 5-2020 Repealing Title 20 Chapter 20.16 Regarding Special Flood Hazard Area and Enacting in lieu thereof a New Ordinance Entitled Floodplain Management. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Carman, second Richmann to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 6-2020 Adopting the City Code of the City of Denver, Iowa. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Richmann, second Hartman to approve Waiving the Third and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 6-2020 Adopting the City Code of the City of Denver, Iowa. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Wittenburg, second Wikner to approve Resolution No. 85-2020 for Residential Tax Abatement Applications under the Urban Revitalization Plan for the City of Denver. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

Motion Hartman, second Richmann to approve Resolution No. 86-2020 Approving the purchase of 50 Blue Recycling Containers in the 64 Gallon Size from B & G Sales in the amount of \$3,036.50. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None.

The Council discussed Golf Cart Trailers. Golf Cart Trailers are not covered under the existing Golf Cart Ordinance. The Council would like the Bremer County Treasurer opinion if Golf Cart Trailers are registered as a trailer. Councilman Hartman will work on updating the UTV and Golf Cart Ordinance. The Council is considering having two ordinances one for UTVs and one for Golf Carts.

In Other Business the Council discussed the requirements for Scott Hintz to be reimbursed for Building Permit Fees for Twin Homes since this New Housing Building Incentive expires on December 31, 2020.

Motion Wikner, second Carman to adjourn. AYES: Carman, Hartman, Richmann, Wikner, Wittenburg. NAYS: None. The City Council Meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Revenues for the Month of November 2020

General Fund	\$107,459.48
Library Savings Fund	\$ 2.32
Road Use Fund	\$ 73,167.15
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 55,557.30
Tax Increment Financing Fund	\$ 22,991.14
Debt Service Fund	\$ 12,996.88
Permanent Fund	\$ 253.69
Water Utility Fund	\$ 22,103.07
Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$ 48,765.18
Electric Utility Fund	\$125,595.68
Electric Utility Deposit Fund	\$ 1,650.00
Storm Water Utility Fund	<u>\$ 2,760.65</u>
Total	\$473,302.54

Expenditures for the Month of November 2020

General Fund	\$ 80,700.45
Library Savings Fund	\$ 0.00
Road Use Fund	\$ 8,867.13
Local Option Sales Tax	\$ 0.00
Tax Increment Financing Fund	\$ 0.00
Debt Service Fund	\$ 14,775.00
Permanent Fund	\$ 0.00
Water Utility Fund	\$ 7,080.15
Sanitary Sewer Fund	\$ 14,165.42
Electric Utility Fund	\$119,550.49
Electric Utility Deposit Fund	\$ 1,872.13
Storm Water Utility Fund	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
Total	\$247,013.77

Rod Diercks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Larry Farley, City Clerk/Admin.