

**CITY OF CARROLLTON
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL**

**JANUARY 25, 2021
7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT

MAYOR: ROBB ADAMS

**COUNCIL: KEVIN CRAIG
JEFF DICKOW
MIKE GORDON
HAYLEY FRANKLIN
DOUG HILL**

ATTORNEY FOR CITY: JAKE THOMPSON

ASSISTANT CITY CLERK: BETH TOOMBS

PRESS: LOGAN KUNSELMAN/NEWS DEMOCRAT

ABSENT: COUNCILMAN DWIGHT LOUDEN

CALL TO ORDER

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT THE HOUR OF 7:00 P.M. BY MAYOR ADAMS. COUNCILMAN DICKOW OFFERED THE INVOCATION. MAYOR ADAMS LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

JERILYN ZAPP OF RAISOR, ZAPP & WOODS
SUSAN DUKES OF RAISOR, ZAPP & WOODS
BILL WELTY

PRESENTATION OF FY 19-20 AUDIT BY RAISOR, ZAPP & WOODS

SUSAN DUKES WITH RAISOR, ZAPP & WOODS PRESENTED THE AUDIT FOR FY 19-20. THE NET POSITION OF THE CITY'S GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES INCREASED BY 2.83% (\$8,659,777 COMPARED TO \$8,421,887 IN THE PRIOR YEAR). REVENUES FOR THE CITY'S GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES INCREASED \$934,884 DUE MAINLY TO GRANT REVENUES RECEIVED ASSOCIATED WITH E-911 EQUIPMENT UPGRADES, COVID-19 FUNDING, PEAK, AND AN INTER LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CARROLL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE A RESOURCE OFFICER. TOTAL EXPENSES INCREASED BY 11.39% DUE MAINLY TO THE PURCHASE OF NEW DISPATCH EQUIPMENT, STREET REPAIRS, ADDITIONAL OFFICERS IN THE SCHOOLS AND INCREASED CERS PENSION AND OPEB BENEFITS.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE FY 19-20 AUDIT BY RAISOR, ZAPP & WOODS.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING: 1/11/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DICKOW AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF 1/11/2021.

AYES 5 NAYS 0

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 1/13/2021 - 1/26/2021

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND DULY CARRIED TO APPROVE THE ACCOUNTS PAID/PAYABLE 1/13/2021 THROUGH 1/26/2021.

AYES 5 NAYS 0

1ST READING: ORDINANCE #2021-01: AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE CITY'S PAY/CLASSIFICATION PLAN

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN FRANKLIN AND DULY CARRIED TO HAVE THE 1ST READING OF ORDINANCE #2021-01: AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE CITY'S PAY/CLASSIFICATION PLAN

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ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, READ THE ORDINANCE.

SECOND READING WILL BE AT THE FEBRUARY 8TH COUNCIL MEETING.

AWARD BID FOR THE 11TH STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THREE CONTRACTORS ATTENDED THE MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING. WG CONSTRUCTION WAS THE ONLY ONE TO SUBMIT A BID. THE BASE PRICE SUBMITTED WAS \$67,639.00. ALT 1 PRICE SUBMITTED WAS \$63,390.60. THIS WILL INCLUDE A HANDRAIL. ALT 2 PRICE SUBMITTED WAS \$63,010.48. ALT 3 PRICE WAS SUBMITTED AS \$29,581.85. THIS INCLUDES THE SIDEWALK CONTINUING DOWN FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO VERNON STATES' BUILDING AT POLK/SCHUERMAN STREETS.

ABBIE JONES' COST ESTIMATE WAS AROUND \$180,000. SHE RECOMMENDS TO ACCEPT THE BID. ALL REQUESTED DOCUMENTS WERE TURNED IN.

COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID HE WANTED RON KNIGHT, MAYOR ADAMS AND THE ENGINEER TO OVERSEE THE PROJECT. MAYOR ADAMS SAID ABBIE JONES WILL BE ON SITE EVERY WEDNESDAY. HE ALSO SAID IT WOULD BE 5 FOOT SIDEWALKS INSTEAD OF 4 FOOT.

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THE HOSPITAL DOESN'T HAVE ANY MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SIDEWALK PROJECT. CASEY'S WANTS AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT THEIR PART WOULD COST. THEY HAVEN'T COMMITTED YET.

THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN CRAIG AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN DICKOW AND DULY CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM WG CONSTRUCTION FOR THE 11TH ST SIDEWALK PROJECT TOTTALLING \$160,611.45. THIS INCLUDES THE BASE PRICE OF \$67,639.00, ALT 1 PRICE OF \$63,390.60, AND ALT 3 PRICE OF \$29,581.85

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

NEW BUSINESS

STREET CLOSING REQUEST

MAYOR ADAMS SAID BILLWELTY HAD COME BEFORE COUNCIL SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND REQUESTED THAT SOME STREETS BE CLOSED AROUND THE AIR STRIP THAT WAS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING SOLD BY PATRICIA BROWN. THE STREETS WERE ON THE PLAT, BUT NOT BEING USED. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL 50 ACRES TO BE SOLD AND THERE IS AN INTERESTED BUYER. THERE IS A REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL STREET CLOSINGS SINCE THEY AREN'T BEING USED. AFTER A BRIEF DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF THE PLAT, MAYOR ADAMS ASKED FOR A LISTING OF STREETS TO BE CLOSED. ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, JAKE THOMPSON, WILL PREPARE AN ORDINANCE FOR THE FEBRUARY 8TH MEETING. EVERYTHING CAN BE FINALIZED AT THE FEBRUARY 22ND MEETING. COUNCILMAN GORDON ASKED IF THOSE WANTING THE STREETS AND ALLEYS CLOSED, WOULD PAY THE ATTORNEY FEES. MAYOR ADAMS SAID THAT IS THE CITY'S POLICY.

704 11TH ST

MAYOR ADAMS SAID HE HAS HAD CONVERSATION WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY ABOUT 704 11TH ST THAT THE CITY PURCHASED. HE SAID WE NEED TO DECLARE IT SURPLUS. THE CITY ALSO NEEDS TO HAVE DEED RESTRICTION SAYING A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING ONLY CAN BE BUILT ON THE PROPERTY. DISCUSSION WILL CONTINUE AT FEBRUARY 8TH COUNCIL MEETING.

EIP 50-50 GRANT PORTION OF EIP FUNDING

MAYOR ADAMS SAID HE ALWAYS THOUGHT THE FACADE, AWNING, SIGNAGE EIP FUNDING WAS TO HELP ENTICE OR RECRUIT NEW BUSINESSES STARTING UP. HE DOESN'T THINK IT'S TO ASSIST BUSINESSES IN UPKEEP OF THEIR SIGNAGE, AWNINGS, OR FACADE. HE DOESN'T THINK THE CITY IS DOING THE BEST WITH TAX PAYER MONEY. COUNCILMAN CRAIG SAID WE NEED TO KEEP BUSINESSES AROUND THAT HAVE BEEN HERE FOR A LONG TIME. COUNCILMAN GORDON SAID HE AGREED WITH THE MAYOR.

DISCUSSION WILL CONTINUE AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING AFTER COUNCIL HAS TIME TO REVIEW THE ORDINANCE.

DISCUSSION / CONSIDER / APPROVE ON DESIGN REVIEW BOARD RECOMMENDATION OF EIP 50-50 MATCHING FUNDS / SIGNAGE FOR DAILEY TAX SERVICE

MAYOR ADAMS SAID THERE IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM DRB FOR EIP 50-50 MATCHING FUNDS FOR DAILEY TAX SERVICE FOR A NEW SIGN. THE TOTAL COST OF THE SIGN IS \$525.00. THEY WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR \$262.50, WHICH IS HALF OF THE SIGN'S COST.

COUNCILMAN GORDON STATED APPROVAL NEEDS TO BE GIVEN BEFORE INSTALLATION. DISCUSSION WILL CONTINUE AT NEXT COUNCIL MEETING.

MAYOR'S REPORT

WE NEED TO KEEP COUNCILMAN LOUDEN AND SAM BURGESS IN OUR PRAYERS. SECOND ROUND OF VACCINES HAVE BEEN GIVEN. SCHOOL STAFF HAD FIRST ROUND OF VACCINES LAST THURSDAY. THEY HOPE TO BE IN SCHOOL LATER IN FEBRUARY, FOLLOWING ALL GUIDELINES.

COMMENTS:

THERE WERE NO COMMENTS.

ADJOURNMENT

**THE MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMAN GORDON AND SECONDED BY
COUNCILMAN DICKOW AND DULY CARRIED TO STAND IN ADJOURNMENT AT
THE HOUR OF 8:16 P.M.**

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ATTEST:

ROBB W. ADAMS, MAYOR

BETH A. TOOMBS, ASSISTANT CITYCLERK