

1. Call to Order. The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Rogers was called to order by Acting Mayor Jullie on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at Rogers Community Center, 21201 Memorial Drive, Rogers, MN, 55374 and online in the Zoom application.

Council present: Acting Mayor Kevin Jullie, Shannon Klick and Amy Enga
Council excused: Rick Ihli, Mark Eiden

Staff present: Steve Stahmer, Administrator; Bridget Bruska, Finance Director; Jeff Beck, Police Captain; Patrick Farrens, Fire Chief; Doran Cote, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Mike Bauer, Parks and Recreation Director; Brett Angell, Community Development Director; Bob Vose, City Attorney; and Stacie Brown, City Clerk.

2. Open Forum

No persons addressed the Council.

3. Presentations

None.

4. Approve Agenda

Set as submitted.

5. Consent Agenda

- 5.1 Approval of the March 26, 2024 City Council Meeting Minutes**
- 5.2 Approval of Bills and Claims**
- 5.3 Approval of Application for Exempt Gambling Permit for Rogers Royals Cheerleading Booster Club for May 11, 2024**
- 5.4 Approval of Joint and Cooperative Agreement for the Formation and Administration of the Anoka-Hennepin Narcotics and Violent Crimes Task Force**
- 5.5 Approval of Ongoing Training for Rogers Police Department**
- 5.6 Approval of Resolution 2024-40; a Resolution Approving the Application to Fill Wetlands to Facilitate Roers Apartments**
- 5.7 Approve Change Order No. 2 for Fire Station 2, City Project No. 2209**
- 5.8 Approve Professional Services Agreements with JLG Architects for Multipurpose Indoor Turf Facility, City Project No. 2201**
- 5.9 Approval of Resolution 2024-44; Accepting Utility Improvements and Authorizing a Letter of Credit Reduction for Towns at Fox Creek 2nd Addition**
- 5.10 Approval of Items Related to Big Woods 2nd Addition Final Plat**
 - Approve Resolution 2024-37; Approving the Final Plat of Big Woods Crossing 2nd Addition**
 - Authorize the Execution of a Developers Agreement for Big Woods Crossing 2nd Addition**

5.11 Approval of Items Related to Aster Mill 3rd Addition Final Plat

- **Approve Resolution 2024-41; Approving the Final Plat of Aster Mill 3rd Addition**
- **Authorize the Execution of Subdivision Agreement for Aster Mill 3rd Addition**

5.12 Authorization of Backfill Process Due to Administrative Assistant Retirement

Councilor Klick moved, Councilor Enga seconded a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 3-0.

6. Public Hearings

None held.

7. General Business

7.1 Accept Resignation/Retirement of Melody Swanson

Administrator Stahmer shared that after over 20 years with the City of Rogers, Administrative Assistant Melody Swanson has submitted her resignation/retirement letter. Stahmer acknowledged her contributions as the “go-to” person for building permits, and the relationships she has built with residents, developers, homebuilders, and the City’s contract Building Official.

Stahmer and the Council thanked Melody for her many years of service, and congratulated her on her retirement.

Acting Mayor Jullie moved, Councilor Klick seconded a motion accepting the resignation/retirement of Melody Swanson. Motion carried 3-0.

7.2 Accept Resignation/Retirement of Gary Buysse

Administrator Stahmer announced the upcoming retirement of Liquor Operations Director Gary Buysse, effective June 23, 2024. Stahmer noted that in his 22 years with the City of Rogers, Gary has experienced many changes in Minnesota liquor law and within the retail industry; as well as navigating liquor operations through the pandemic.

Stahmer shared that Gary will be representing Rogers Wines and Spirits and the Rogers Muni in the Rockin’ Rogers Parade for the last time on June 22nd in celebration of his career and retirement in Rogers. The Council expressed their appreciation to Gary for his dedication, and wished him the best.

Acting Mayor Jullie moved, Councilor Klick seconded a motion accepting the resignation/retirement of Gary Buysse. Motion carried 3-0.

7.3 Adopt Ordinance 2024-02; CenterPoint Energy Gas Franchise Ordinance and Summary Ordinance 2024-02

Public Works Director/City Engineer Cote presented a background on the City's franchise agreement with CenterPoint Energy, noting that the existing agreement will expire on May 11, 2024. Cote shared details on substantive changes to the franchise Ordinance, related to notice of improvements to streets, indemnity, and defense of the City.

Cote explained that the proposed Ordinance supersedes and repeals Ordinance 2004-05, and has been posted on the City's website for more than 10 days, as required by Statute. If approved, the summary Ordinance will be published in the Crow River News on April 18, 2024.

Acting Mayor Jullie asked if there have been any other changes, or if this is mostly a formality, and Cote confirmed that it is a formality.

Councilor Enga moved, Councilor Klick seconded a motion approving Ordinance 2024-02, CenterPoint Energy Gas Franchise Ordinance and Summary Ordinance 2024-02. Motion carried 3-0.

7.4 2023 Public Safety Aid Expenditure List/Plan

Fire Chief Farrens explained that in 2023, The Minnesota Legislature enacted a one-time Public Safety Aid appropriation in the amount of \$900 million to be allocated across counties, cities and townships with populations of 10,000 or more, and 11 federally-recognized tribal governments. The amount allocated to the City of Rogers was \$608,487, which must be used to provide and support public safety, and facilities are not an eligible expense.

Police Captain Beck came forward and provided details on the Police expenditures, including firearms lockers, two permanent pole-mounted radar units, a public safety drone with heat-seeking capability (shared resource with Fire Department), Flock license plate readers (pole-mounted cameras), patrol e-bikes, an investigation trailer and equipment, active shooter gear (24 helmets, 24 vests, squad bunkers), Officer wellness equipment allowance (including load-bearing vests or additional safety equipment from uniform shops), and Crisis Intervention Training (for all 24 sworn Officers).

Acting Mayor Jullie asked how the Flock cameras are downloaded; and Captain Beck replied that downloads are cloud-based and automatic. Councilor Klick asked if this is fairly well regulated and controlled, and Captain Beck replied that it is well regulated, as the locations need to be posted, and public notice is required. The Flock system assists with this process. Klick asked if the drone video is stored, and Beck confirmed it will be stored in the Axon platform and follow data retention guidelines. Jullie asked about the prospect of shared resources with other cities, and Beck replied that these resources are routinely shared.

Chief Farrens expressed his appreciation for working with the Police Department. He presented details on the Fire Department expenditures, including suppression equipment, standpipe kits, Holmatro Extrication Tools, training (incident command, Officer development, EMS, drivers), forcible entry door and accessories, Electric Vehicle Deactivation, ventilation fans, mannequins, rescue equipment, various tools, forcible entry tools, Firefighter behavioral health, and Station 1 gym upgrade.

Councilor Klick moved, Councilor Enga seconded a motion approving purchases in the 2023 Public Safety Aid Expenditure Plan and authorize Mayor and staff to enter into necessary contracts. Motion carried 3-0.

7.5 Approval of a Purchase Agreement for the Sale of City-Owned Property at Rogers Drive and 136th Ave (PIDs 1412023420015 and 1412023420021)

Community Development Director Angell shared details on the purchase agreement before Council, noting that the City has owned the property since 2006. He reviewed the location, size, use, zoning and guidance for the property, adding that marketing for this property began in fall 2023, with closed session offer discussions occurring on February 13 and 27, 2024.

Angell provided details on the Purchase agreement, including a purchase price of \$550,000 and due diligence of 180 days plus extension options. The buyer is Java company, with the vision of a fast-casual restaurant with patio, coffee user with drive-thru, and medical/dental offices. Site plan approval will be required.

Acting Mayor Jullie asked why the property was originally acquired by the City, Angell stated that his understanding is that when the flyover went in, there was discussion of the liquor store moving, however that did not end up happening.

Councilor Klick moved, Councilor Enga seconded a motion approving a purchase agreement for the sale of City-owned property at Rogers Drive and 136th Ave (PIDs 1412023420015 and 1412023420021). Motion carried 3-0.

8. Other Business

None.

9. Correspondence and Reports

No action taken.

10. Adjourn to Closed Session

10.1 Adjourn to Closed Session to Discuss Potential Sale of Real Properties Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subdivision 3(c)

Mayor Ihli adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 7:53 p.m. to discuss the potential sale of real properties owned by the City, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subdivision 3(c)

- SE Portion of PID 1412023210022
- PID 2312023120014
- Portion of right-of-way at 134th Avenue and Rogers Drive (no PID)

The regular meeting reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

11. Adjourn

Mayor Ihli adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie Brown
City Clerk