

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the City Council for the City of St. Joseph met in regular session on Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 6:00 PM in the St. Joseph Government Center.

Members Present: Mayor Rick Schultz, Councilmembers Kevin Kluesner, Jon Hazen, Bob Loso

Absent: Councilmember Kelly Beniek

City Representatives Present: Administrator Therese Haffner, Finance Director Lori Bartlett, City Engineer Randy Sabart, Community Development Director Nate Keller, Police Chief Dwight Pfannenstien, Fire Chief Jeff Taufen, Public Works Director Ryan Wensmann, City Clerk Kayla Klein

Public Comments: None.

Approve Agenda: **Hazen made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Loso and passed unanimously.**

Consent Agenda: **Kluesner made a motion to approve consent agenda items a. through i.; seconded by Hazen and passed unanimously.**

- a. Bills Payable – **Requested Action:** Approve Check Numbers 058709-058773, Account Payable EFT #002026, 002028, 002033; Payroll EFT 112195-112200, Regular Pay Period 3, 3.01, 3.02, Council 2.
- b. Financial Report – **Requested Action:** Approve the January 2022 Financial Report as presented.
- c. Donations – **Requested Action:** Adopt Resolution 2022-007 Accepting Donations.
- d. Resolution Supporting Housing & Local Decision-Making Authority – **Requested Action:** Adopt Resolution 2022-008.
- e. Early Redemption of Outstanding Debt – **Requested Action:** Adopt Resolution 2022-009 Calling for the Redemption of the Outstanding GO CIP Bonds, Series 2017A.
- f. Park Board Appointments – **Requested Action:** Appoint Kristina Schmitz and Mendell Midy to the St. Joseph Park Board.
- g. License Agreement, Old Fire Hall Mezzanine – **Requested Action:** Approve License Agreement between College & Minnesota LLC and the City to allow use of mezzanine in old fire hall building.
- h. Compost Site Agreement – **Requested Action:** Approve the Compost Site Agreement between the City of St. Joseph and C&L Excavating Inc.
- i. Northland Business Center Assessment Amendment – **Requested Action:** Adopt Resolution 2022-003 amending the final assessment roll for the 2019 Industrial Park Improvements (Northland Business Center).
- ~~j. Joint Powers Agreement for Legal Services – **Requested Action:** Approve the Joint Powers Agreement between the City of St. Joseph and City of St. Cloud for legal services.~~

Councilmember Kluesner asked for clarification on the Joint Powers Agreement for Legal Services with St. Cloud; primarily asking how it works and what benefit it provides for St. Joseph.

Administrator Therese Haffner explained how long this agreement has been in place, how the fees work and what is covered. Police Chief Dwight Pfannenstien gave some additional history and shared his feedback.

Kluesner made a motion to approve consent agenda item j; seconded by Loso. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing, Fee Schedule Amendment: Administrator Therese Haffner explained that Council adopted changes to Ordinances 104 Penalties & Fees and Ordinance 1004 Regulation of Animals, and established Ordinance 613 Therapeutic Massage Establishments & Massage Therapists at the February 7th meeting. With the adoption of the ordinances, an amendment to the fee schedule is needed. Changes include establishing fees for massage establishments and massage therapists; amending parking ticket fees; and adding fees for dangerous/potentially dangerous animals.

City ordinance now requires that all massage establishments be inspected annually. Another action the Council is asked to take this evening is on the joint agreement with the City of St. Cloud for these inspection services. This fee is the actual cost St. Cloud will charge St. Joseph for this service.

Schultz opened the public hearing. As no one present wished to speak, Schultz closed the public hearing.

Discussion included the annual costs to the three massage businesses in the community and how the new charges impact them. A letter was received from one of the business owners and is included in the packet.

Loso moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 Amending City of St. Joseph 2022 Fee Schedule, minus those that relate to the massage ordinance fees; seconded by Kluesner.

**Aye: Kluesner, Loso
Nay: Hazen, Schultz**

Motion Fails: 2:2

Hazen suggested that the City absorb the inspection and licensing costs for year one to ease any hardship for the three businesses with the intent to revisit the fee schedule at year-end. This will also give time for businesses to prepare their budgets for the licensing and inspection fees.

Hazen moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 Amending City of St. Joseph 2022 Fee Schedule, with the City paying the massage ordinance inspection fee in 2022; seconded by Schultz. Motion passed unanimously.

Hazen moved to adopt Resolution 2022-010 Authorizing Summary Publication; seconded by Schultz. Motion passed unanimously.

Hazen moved to approve the Joint Powers Agreement for Massage Establishment Inspection Services with the City of St. Cloud; seconded by Schultz. Motion passed unanimously.

Engineer Reports: None.

Department Reports: The various departments presented their monthly reports.

Mayor Reports: Mayor Schultz shared that he is attending a government affairs meeting at the St. Cloud Chamber on Feb 23rd. This group talks about legislative priorities and projects in the area. Schultz also mentioned that he has asked Staff to bring to Council some condemnation considerations for the JR's site.

Adjourn: **Kluesner made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 PM; seconded by Hazen and passed unanimously.**


Kayla Klein
City Clerk