

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Common Council
February 17, 2021
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: None

MEMBERS BY ZOOM: Lisa Chavis, Tom Shevlot, Sherron Freeman, William Tyrrell Giles, Lauren Russel, Maria Rusomaroff, Deborah Whitfield, Rick Wells and Shawn Denney

ALSO BY ZOOM: Clerk Kathleen Walton, Attorney Kristina Wheeler (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP) and Bruce Donaldson (Barnes & Thornburg LLP)

ALSO PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: CFO/Deputy Mayor Fenwick and Fire Chief Batalis

STAFF BY ZOOM: None

Council President Lisa Chavis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Freeman requested an update on plans to build the library within the City of Lawrence. She went on to praise the Street Department for the high quality of their snow plowing after this week's storm and thanked them for their efforts. Councilor Chavis reported that she will contact the FHRA and ask that they provide an update at the March council meeting on the library and other projects. Councilor Wells expressed his condolences to City employee Shawn Fugate who lost her husband in recent days. Councilor Denney echoed the comments of Councilor Freeman about the quality of the snow plowing and noted that "the streets looked great". He also expressed gratitude to the Water Utility for their quick response and repair of the water leak in the Maple Bluff subdivision.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS 2-17-21: Councilor Freeman moved to approve Payroll Claims for \$908,885.29 [January 31, 2021 payroll], Payroll Claims for \$948,592.64 [February 15, 2021 payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$1,586,074.25]. Councilor Shevlot seconded the motion. Following discussion, by a roll call vote, the motion to approve the vouchers carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Resolution No. 2, 2021, approving a form of lease and taking other actions regarding the proposed lease, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney said the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee met tonight at 5:30pm and discussed Resolution No. 2, 2021. They recommended a do-pass. Councilor Chavis said Resolution No. 2, 2021 will be on the March 1, 2021 agenda.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

Lisa Chavis, President

Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussions held, with the exception of the motions. An audiotape is made which provides a detailed record.