

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Common Council
August 18, 2021
Regular Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: None

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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

ALSO PRESENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Controller Douthit

STAFF BY ZOOM: Police Chief Hofmann and Director of Engineering Srikanth Venugopalan

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 Shevlot announced the passing of Mike Bray on August 11, 2021. Mike was a major figure in the life of the City of Lawrence as he served as a volunteer firefighter and on numerous boards and commissions. He also spent many decades working on the safety crews at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. He concluded by asking for thoughts and prayers for those American soldiers and civilians still in Afghanistan and are trying to return to the United States.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS 8-18-21: Councilor Russel moved to approve Payroll Claims for \$1,049,014.00 [July 31, 2021 payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$4,094,059.09]. Councilor Denney seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion to approve the vouchers carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Proposal No. 6, 2021, amending the Lawrence Municipal Code to establish an all-way stop intersection at Cork Road and Cork Place, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Giles said the Code Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Proposal No. 6, 2021. Councilor Chavis said Proposal No. 6, 2021 will be voted on at the September 7, 2021 meeting.

Proposal No. 7, 2021, amending the Civil Salary Ordinance to add City Attorney position, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney said the Administration, Budget, and Finance Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Proposal No. 7, 2021. Councilor Chavis said Proposal No. 7, 2021 will be voted on at the September 7, 2021 meeting.

Resolution No. 12, 2021, providing funding for habitats in Lawrence Parks, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Rusomaroff said the Parks Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Resolution No. 12, 2021. Councilor Chavis said Resolution No. 12, 2021 will be voted on at the September 7, 2021 meeting.

Resolution No. 13, 2021, approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Lawrence and the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 159, effective January 1, 2021, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney said the Administration, Budget, and Finance Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Resolution No. 13, 2021. Councilor Chavis said Resolution No. 13, 2021 will be voted on at the September 7, 2021 meeting.

Resolution No. 14, 2021, concerning retention of Bose McKinney & Evans LLP as legal counsel for zoning matters, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Denney said the Administration, Budget, and Finance Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Resolution No. 14, 2021. Councilor Denney moved to adopt Resolution No. 14, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilor Giles. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 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.