

**Common Council
City of Lawrence
December 16, 2020
Regular Meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: None

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

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton

ALSO BY ZOOM: Attorney Kristina Wheeler (Bose McKinney & Evans LLP), Police Chief Hofmann, Deputy Police Chief Bigsbee, and Captain Cantrell

STAFF PRESENT: None

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

COMMENTS OF COUNCIL MEMBERS: Councilor Chavis thanked Councilor Shevlot for conducting the meeting because she is travelling and is listening to the proceedings. She also recognized Councilor Maria Rusomaroff for assembling gift baskets that were presented to various persons. Councilor Shevlot echoed her comments about the gift baskets and Councilor Rusomaroff's efforts.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS: Councilor Freeman moved to approve Payroll Claims for \$942,047.76 [November 30, 2020 payroll] and Invoices [for vendors] as presented today [for \$1,134,691.49]. Councilor Russel seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion to approve the vouchers carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Resolution No. 10, 2020, to adopt fiscal policy for discretionary funds of the Common Council, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Shevlot said Resolution No. 10, 2020 remains in the Administration, Budget and Finance Committee.

Proposal No. 18, 2020, amending Title 1, Article 2, Chapter 8 of the City of Lawrence Municipal Code with respect to police and fire personnel vehicle usage, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Whitfield said the Public Safety Committee met and recommended a do-pass for Proposal No. 18, 2020. Councilor Denney moved to adopt amended Proposal No. 18, 2020. Councilor Russel seconded the motion. By a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Resolution No. 12, 2020, providing funding to the Lawrence Parks Foundation, was read only by title by Clerk Walton. Councilor Chavis moved to adopt Resolution No. 12, 2020. Councilor Freeman seconded the motion. Following discussion, by a roll call vote, the motion to adopt Resolution No. 12, 2020 carried by the following vote of the council: Eight (8) aye votes and one (1) abstention vote (Councilor Denney).

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned, at 6:45 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Council.

Lisa Chavis, President

Kathleen A. Walton, Clerk