



# Brighton City Council Meeting

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## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BRIGHTON CITY COUNCIL HELD ON JUNE 20, 2019

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Muzzin called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

### 3. Roll Call

Present were Mayor Muzzin, Councilmembers: Bohn, Emaus, Pipoly, and Tobbe. Absent were Councilmembers Gardner and Pettengill. Staff: City Manager Nate Geinzer, City Clerk Tara Brown, Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka, DPW Director Marcel Goch, Assistant to the DPW Director Patty Thomas, Chief Rob Bradford, and Attorney Paul Burns. There were two persons in the audience.

**Motion** by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to excuse Councilmembers Gardner and Pettengill for personal reasons. **The motion carried without objection.**

### 4. Consider Approval of the Agenda

**Motion** by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to approve the agenda as amended, moving item 8 to new business and adding item 9a. **The motion carried without objection.**

#### Consent Agenda Items

**Motion** by Councilmember Tobbe, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to approve the agenda as amended. **The motion carried without objection.**

### 5. Approval of Minutes: Study Session Meeting of June 6, 2019

### 6. Approval of Minutes: Closed Session Meeting of June 6, 2019

### 7. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of June 6, 2019

### ~~8. Approval of bid award for the City Hall Metal Structure Refurbishment to MPM Painting in the amount of \$18,015~~ Moved to New Business

### 9. Approval of Issuing a Purchase Order to Precision Concrete Cutting in an Amount not to Exceed \$20,000.

### 9a. Appointment of Caitlyn Perry Dial to the Zoning Board of Appeals as Recommended by Mayor Muzzin

#### Correspondence

### 10. Call to the Public

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 7:33 p.m. Hearing and seeing no comment, Mayor Muzzin closed the Call to the Public at 7:33 p.m.

### 11. Staff Updates

Chief Bradford commented that the Youth Academy is going very well. The attendees were able to tour the inside of a chinook helicopter, visit with the flight crew of the chinook, experience fire department situations, and were recently scuba certified.

Mayor Muzzin asked if the Youth Academy was able to train alongside the Girls on Fire attendees. Chief Bradford stated that the opportunity has not happened yet.

Director Goch updated everyone on the new garbage contract that will start on July 1, 2019. Information will be provided on social media and also in each bin. The next trash day will provide Waste Management staff the opportunity to evaluate the trash bins to estimate how many new bins will be needed.

Director Gomolka noted that tax bills will go out on July 1, 2019.

Clerk Brown stated that the new City of Brighton website will be ready for the first part of July. Many documents have been converted over to the new site.

## **12. Updates from Councilmember Liaisons to Various Boards and Commissions**

Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly noted that some DDA members and city staff were able to visit the City of Plymouth. Great ideas and practices were shared. Plymouth is experiencing several similar situations that the City of Brighton is experiencing.

Councilmember Emaus stated that the Brighton Veterans Memorial Committee met on June 19, 2019 to maintain the memorials, flags, sprinkler systems. He noted that there has been some problem with lighting but it is being looked at. Two Rosie the Riveter rose bushes have been planted, more to come in August. The next meeting will be on July 17, 2019 if anyone would like to have an agenda item added for discussion.

Mayor Muzzin spoke about the recent DDA visit to Plymouth. He noted several similarities between Brighton and Plymouth especially size, issues, parking challenges, and possible payment in lieu of parking. He stated that the City of Plymouth has required 100% civic reimbursement for the past twenty years. Mayor Muzzin also gave a brief update on the Brighton Area Fire Authority buildings and plans.

Councilmember Bohn asked if there were any plans to transfer services from the Grand River station to the Webber Street station. Mayor Muzzin stated that is not in the plans but administration will stay at the Grand River station.

### **New Business**

#### **8. Approval of bid award for the City Hall Metal Structure Refurbishment to MPM Painting in the amount of \$18,015**

Director Goch introduced the agenda item and spoke briefly about the bids.

Councilmember Tobbe asked if there is currently any erosion or corrosion on the structure. Director Goch indicated that there is currently no corrosion but the painting is necessary to prohibit and maintain the metal structure.

**Motion** by Councilmember Emaus, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly to award the bid for the City Hall Metal Structure Refurbishment to MPM Painting in the amount of \$18,015. **The motion carried without objection.**

#### **13. Consider Possible Action Resulting from a Closed Session Regarding the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement**

**Motion** by Councilmember Bohn, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to proceed as discussed in closed session regarding the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement. **The motion carried without objection.**

#### **14. Consider Approval of Final Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019, Resolution #19-18**

Director Gomolka introduced the agenda item, explaining several amendments for fiscal year ending June 30,

2019 highlighting the fact that less fund balanced will be used than was expected. She did add that K9 Officer Danko's surgery was added on the supplemental document.

Councilmember Tobbe asked if K9 Officer Danko will be cleared for duty. Chief Bradford indicated that Officer Danko has a follow up appointment on June 21, 2019 but is expected to return to duty.

**Motion** by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to approve of Final Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 with Resolution #19-18. **The motion carried without objection.**

**15. Consider Approval of a Request for Proposal Regarding the Sale and Development of City Owned Property - 4718-24-400-028 (Challis Road)**

Manager Geinzer introduced the agenda item and spoke about the unique history of the parcel. He asks for a new request for proposals that will give more opportunity for potential buyers to bid. As of now, there is no financial benefit to hold onto the property. Mr. Geinzer noted that city staff and Attorney Burns are in agreement.

Mayor Muzzin is in favor of not placing a minimum amount on the bid, Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly concurs to let the market decide.

Councilmember Tobbe stated that he would like to see the City keep hold of the parcel since the city is almost entirely built out. Manager Geinzer noted that there is no financial benefit to hold onto the property given the difficulties of the COREA or deed restrictions on the property. Mr. Geinzer further stated that it is the recommendation to sell the property.

Councilmember Emaus asks how long MJR Theater has been on the property. Staff stated about twenty years. Mr. Emaus is in favor of leaving a price off to let the market decide.

Council spoke briefly about the buildability of the property and the difficulties with the deed restrictions.

**Motion** by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly, seconded by Councilmember Emaus to approve of a Request for Proposal Regarding the Sale and Development of City Owned Property – 4718-24-400-025 (Challis Road). **The motion carried without objection.**

**16. Consider Approval of bid award for the City Hall Window Replacement 2019(B) to Envision Glass & Door the amount of \$117,901**

Director Goch introduced the agenda item. He gave a detailed history of the last two bidding processes noting that the first low bid was bid improperly. Mr. Goch noted that the industry is very busy and many do not need the job, the prices will not be lower.

Mayor Muzzin asked about the different options outlined in the bid documents. Mr. Geinzer spoke about the differences between the options adding the door glass. Councilmember Bohn asked about an alternate option, Mr. Geinzer stated that it was an option to open the windows but ultimately decided not to bring it to City Council because of the expense.

Councilmember Emaus asked about the funding for the windows that is over the \$100,000. Manager Geinzer noted that other items within the City Hall Facilities Budget would be cut to accommodate the additional costs. There was a detailed discussion about the budgeted projects for the City Hall building. Approving the project as recommended would not increase the overall budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

Councilmember Tobbe asked if the amount of windows were reduced due to the blocking of windows during the roof replacement.

**Motion** by Councilmember Emaus, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly to approve of the bid award for the City Hall Window Replacement 2019(B) to Envision Glass & Door in the amount of \$117, 901. **The motion carried without objection.**

**Other Business**

**17. Call to the Public**

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 8:12 p.m. Hearing and seeing no comment, Mayor Muzzin closed the Call to the Public at 8:12 p.m.

**Adjournment**

**Motion** by Councilmember Emaus, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. **The motion carried without objection.**

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Tara Brown, City Clerk

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James Muzzin, Mayor