



# CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

## Minutes - Final - Final City Council

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Monday, July 10, 2017

5:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

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**5:00 PM**     **CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a Regular Meeting of the Grand Rapids City Council was held on Monday, July 10, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

### CALL OF ROLL

**Present**   4 -   Councilor Dale Christy  
                         Mayor Dale Adams  
                         Councilor Rick Blake  
                         Councilor Tasha Connelly

**Absent**    1 -   Councilor Bill Zeige

### Staff:

*Tom Pagel, Chad Sterle, Steve Schaar, Rob Mattei, Barb Baird*

### MEETING PROTOCOL POLICY

**5:01 PM**     **PUBLIC FORUM**

*None.*

**5:06 PM**     **COUNCIL REPORTS**

*Councilor Christy thanks Rob Mattei for his work on Small Cities Development Grant for the construction of more affordable housing.*

**5:09 PM**     **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Consider approving Council minutes for Monday, June 26, 2017 Worksession & Regular meetings.

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to approve Council minutes as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

### VERIFIED CLAIMS

Consider approving the verified claims for the period June 20, 2017 to June 30, 2017

in the total amount of \$598,462.31.

**A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Blake, to approve the verified claims as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

**5:11 PM CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consider a resolution rescinding Resolution 17-33.  
  
**Adopted Resolution 17-54 by consent roll call**
2. Consider authorizing the Grand Rapids Police Department to sell two (2) forfeited handguns and five (5) forfeited rifles to a Federally Licensed Firearms Dealer.  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
3. Consider authorizing the Grand Rapids Police Department to sell one (1) forfeited handgun to a Federally Licensed Firearms Dealer.  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
4. Consider approving professional services agreement with SEH for construction services related to the Taxilane Construction project.  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
5. Consider the approval of Change Orders 1, 2 and 3 with Casper Construction related to CP 2009-1, the 2017 Infrastructure Improvements Project  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
6. Consider approving a temporary liquor license for MacRostie Art Center, event scheduled for Friday, August 4, 2017.  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
7. Consider adopting a resolution accepting a donation of \$1,000 from Independent School District #318 for Starting New At Golf (SNAG) supplies to be used at the Cohasset Elementary and at the Robert J. Elkington Middle Schools.  
  
**Adopted Resolution 17-55 by consent roll call**
- 7a. Consider a motion authorizing City Administrator to sign contract with KAXE for use of tent for Library Program  
  
**Approved by consent roll call**
- 7b. Consider approving Blandin Foundation Grant Agreement & adopting a resolution

accepting grant in the amount of \$8,000 to conduct a master plan to diversify the use of the IRA Civic Center.

**Adopted Resolution 17-56 by consent roll call**

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Councilor Blake, seconded by Councilor Connelly, to approve the Consent agenda as amended by the addition of items 7a & 7b, new contract with KAXE Rotary Tent and Blandin Foundation Grant Agreement and Resolution accepting funds, respectively. Approved by consent roll call.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

### **5:12 SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA PM**

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to approve the Regular agenda as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

### **5:13 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PM**

8. Consider approval of an Evaluation and Acquisition of Services Agreement with Wellson Group, Inc.
- Mr. Mattei provides background information regarding plan to meet elementary needs for the community over the next few years. A task force has made many recommendations including land exchange between the City of Grand Rapids and ISD 318.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Connelly, to approve the agreement with Wellson Group, Inc. for Evaluation and Acquisition of Services as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

### **5:18 ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT PM**

9. Consider entering into agreements with "Lost City" and "The Dweebs" for entertainment related to Tall Timber Days, .

**A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to approve contracts with The Dweebs and Lost City for Tall Timber Days entertainment, as presented. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

10. Consider committing up to \$20,000 to match other local government units contributions to the proposed pickle ball and basketball courts at the YMCA.

*Mr. Pagel provides information regarding previous in-kind donation of materials to the YMCA project. Recommendation is to offer a match up to \$20,000 based on funds donated by other surrounding local government units.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Connelly, seconded by Councilor Christy, to commit up to \$20,000 to match other local government unit contributions, as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

11. Consider the appointment of Jacob Barsness to the position of Janitorial Maintenance with the Grand Rapids Fire Department.

**A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, appointing Jacob Barsness to Janitorial Maintenance with the Fire Department. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

**5:30 PM PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*Recess at 5:20 PM for scheduled public hearings to begin at 5:30 PM.*

12. Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed increase in the Public, Education and Government (PEG) fee.

*Finance Director Baird provides background information regarding PEG fees and required hearing for potential increase.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to open the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

*Mayor Adams notes the reason for the public hearing. Clerk Gibeau states that all legal notices have been given and no correspondence has been received in the Clerk's office regarding this matter.*

*Beth George, Executive Director of ICTV, speaks in support of PEG fee increase. Additional fees will be used for capital improvements.*

*No one else wished to speak, therefore the following motion was made.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to close the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

**5:45 PM FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

13. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing a \$.25 increase in the Public, Education, and Government fee effective January 1, 2018.

**A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Blake, authorizing a \$.25 increase in PEG fees as requested. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

**6:00 PUBLIC HEARINGS  
PM**

14. Conduct a Public Hearing for review and proposed adoption of the 2017-2021 Amended Street Reconstruction Plan and consider authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds.  
*Ms. Baird reviews improvement plans and requirements for moving forward.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to open the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**  
*Mayor Adams notes the reason for the public hearing. Clerk Gibeau states that all legal notices have been given and no correspondence has been received in the Clerk's office regarding this matter.*
- No one wished to speak, therefore the following motion was made.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Dale Christy, seconded by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to close the public hearing. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

**6:15 FINANCE DEPARTMENT  
PM**

15. Consider approving a resolution adopting the Amended Street Reconstruction Plan for 2017-2021 and authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds.
- A motion was made by Councilor Christy, seconded by Councilor Connelly, adopting Resolution 17-58, adopting amended street reconstruction plan for 2017-2021 & authorized issuance of general obligation street reconstruction bonds. The motion carried by the following vote.**
- Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly
16. Consider adopting a resolution providing for the Sale of \$2,130,000 General Obligation Street Reconstruction Bonds, Series 2017A.  
*Rebecca Kurtz, Ehlers & Assoc., presented information and request for approval of bond sale in August 2017.*
- A motion was made by Councilor Blake, seconded by Councilor Connelly, adopting Resolution 17-59, providing for the sale of \$2,130,000 general obligation street reconstruction bonds, Series 2017A. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 4 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly

**6:30 ADJOURNMENT  
PM**

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, seconded by Councilor Dale Christy, to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 PM. The motion PASSED by unanimous vote.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Respectfully submitted:*

*Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk*