



# CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

## Minutes - Final - Final City Council

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Monday, October 26, 2020

5:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

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**BE ADVISED:** Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.021, Subdivision 1, some or all members may appear by telephone or other electronic means.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof a Regular Meeting of the Grand Rapids City Council was held on Monday, October 26, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

### CALL OF ROLL

**Present** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

### Staff present:

*Lynn DeGrio, Chad Sterle, Erik Scott, Matt Wegwerth, Rob Mattei, Steve Schaar, Barb Baird*

### MEETING PROTOCOL POLICY

**PUBLIC FORUM - PLEASE NOTE:** If you wish to address the Council under public forum, please call 218-327-8833 during the meeting.

*None.*

### COUNCIL REPORTS

*Councilor Blake addresses mask use in the community.*

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Consider approving Council minutes for Monday, October 12, 2020 regular meeting and Thursday, October 15, 2020 special meeting.

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, second by Councilor Michelle Toven, to approve Council minutes as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

## VERIFIED CLAIMS

Consider approving the verified claims for the period October 6, 2020 to October 19, 2020 in the total amount of \$946,968.36.

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

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider the adoption of a resolution accepting a \$858,276 grant from The Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) for expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).  
**Adopted Resolution 20-95 by consent roll call**
2. Consider adopting a resolution to accept \$24,431.35 in grants from the Itasca County Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) for expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).  
**Adopted Resolution 20-96 by consent roll call**
3. Consider approving the purchase of easements related to CP 2015-3, Hwy 2 West Trail.  
**Approved by consent roll call**
4. Consider classification change for Maintenance (Civic Center) positions.  
**Approved by consent roll call**
5. Consider renewal for Long Term Disability and Voluntary Life Insurance coverage through Lincoln Financial Group.  
**Approved by consent roll call**
6. Consider the 2021 renewal of group life insurance.  
**Approved by consent roll call**

7. Consider allowing the Police Department to solicit bids for two (2) 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility SUV's to replace a 2009 Dodge Charger and a 2007 Chevrolet Impala and one (1) 2021 Jeep Grand Cherokee to replace a 2005 Jeep Grand Cherokee.
- Approved by consent roll call**
8. Consider authorizing the IT Department to donate some retired audio/visual equipment to the Ponti-Peterson VFW Post 1720.
- Approved by consent roll call**
9. Consider authorizing the Fire Department to apply for a turnout gear washer/extractor grant from the Minnesota State Fire Marshal Division.
- Approved by consent roll call**
10. Consider authorizing staff to solicit proposals for City Engineering Assistance Services for 2021 through 2025.
- Approved by consent roll call**
11. Consider amending the 2020-2021 Public Works part-time winter maintenance season employee list.
- Approved by consent roll call**
12. Consider approving liquor licenses for 2021, contingent upon receipt of all required fees and documentation.
- Approved by consent roll call**
13. Consider approving additional election judges to serve at the General Election on November 3, 2020.
- Approved by consent roll call**
14. Consider authorizing the Police Department to sell a used 2011 Dodge Charger Police Squad Car and a used 2012 Dodge Durango Police Squad Car to Arrowhead Regional Law Enforcement Training/Hibbing Community College for \$10,927.00.
- Approved by consent roll call**
15. Consider entering into Occupational Development Center, Inc.'s Transitional Work Program Contract Agreement for the 2020-2021 Winter Snow Removal Season.
- Approved by consent roll call**
16. Consider the adoption of a resolution accepting a \$250,000 grant from Minnesota IRRR Development Infrastructure Grant Program for work associated with the Minnesota Diversified Industries Expansion Project and authorize the Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement.
- Adopted Resolution 20-97 by consent roll call**

17. Consider the adoption of a resolution accepting a \$230,000 grant from the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (IRRR) Community Infrastructure Grant Program for the Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission Solar Array and Energy Storage Project and authorize the Mayor to execute the Grant Agreement.

**Adopted Resolution 20-98 by consent roll call**

18. Consider rehiring Joseph Rabbers as part-time Hospital Security Officer effective immediately.

**Approved by consent roll call**

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

**A motion was made by Councilor Michelle Toven, second by Councilor Tasha Connelly, to approve the Consent agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote**

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

#### **SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, second by Councilor Dale Christy, to approve the Regular agenda as amended with the addition of item 20a. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

#### **ACKNOWLEDGE BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

19. Review and acknowledge minutes for boards and commissions.

**Acknowledge Boards and Commissions**

#### **ENGINEERING\PUBLIC WORKS**

20. Consider approving a proposal from O'Day Equipment, LLC for fuel sensor equipment at the GPZ airport and authorize payment.

*100% by Cares Grant*

**A motion was made by Councilor Rick Blake, second by Councilor Michelle Toven, approving the purchase of fuel sensor equipment at the GPZ airport from O'Day Equipment LLC and authorize payment. The motion carried by the**

following vote.

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

#### **CIVIC CENTER, PARKS & RECREATION**

**20a.**

Consider authorizing the purchase of a new controller for the Readerboard shared by the City of Grand Rapids, ISD #318, and the Reif Center.

*Ms. DeGrio presents background of readerboard and issues with controller. Cost will be shared equally between the City, Reif Center and School District 318.*

**A motion was made by Councilor Dale Christy, second by Councilor Rick Blake, to approve the purchase of a new controller for the Grand Rapids readerboard. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Councilor Tasha Connelly, second by Councilor Michelle Toven, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 PM. The motion carried by the following vote.**

**Aye** 5 - Councilor Dale Christy  
Mayor Dale Adams  
Councilor Rick Blake  
Councilor Tasha Connelly  
Councilor Michelle Toven

*Respectfully submitted:*

*Kimberly Gibeau, City Clerk*