

CITY COMMISSION

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October 3, 2017

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Lawrence met in regular session at 5:45 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers in City Hall with Mayor Soden presiding and Vice Mayor Boley, Commissioner Amyx, Commissioner Herbert and Commissioner Larsen present.

# A. RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION:

- 1. Recognition of the student delegation from Eutin, Germany.
- 2. Proclaim the month of October 2017, as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

## B. CONSENT AGENDA:

THOMAS M. MARKUS

CITY MANAGER

**Moved by Commissioner Amyx, seconded by Commissioner Herbert,** to approve the consent agenda as below. Motion carried unanimously.

- 1. Approve City Commission meeting minutes from 09/19/17.
- 2. Receive minutes from various boards and commissions:

Affordable Housing Advisory Board meeting of 08/14/17
Community Development Advisory Committee meeting of 04/27/17
Lawrence Douglas County Housing Authority meeting of 08/28/17
Public Incentives Review Committee meeting of 04/17/17
Senior Resource Center for Douglas County Board meeting of 08/22/17
Transportation Commission meeting of 08/07/17

- 3. Approve claims and payroll in the amount of \$6,893,983.23 to 381 vendors including a payment over \$1,000,000.00 to 360 Energy Engineers for \$1,458,879.00.
- 4. Approve licenses as recommended by the City Clerk's Office.

Drinking Establishment	Expires
715	09/22/17
715 LLC	
715 Massachusetts St.	
Tortas Jalisco	10/02/17
Tortas Jalisco LLC	
534 Frontier Rd.	
Port Fonda	10/04/17



Port Fonda LK LLC 900 New Hampshire St., Ste. B	
Retail Liquor	Expires
Cheers Liquors LV LLC 1414 W. 6 <sup>th</sup> St.	09/30/17

- 5. Adopt on first reading, the following ordinances:
  - a) Ordinance No. 9400, allowing the sale, possession, and consumption of alcohol in the public right-of-way on Sunday, October 15, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the 1700 block of Mississippi Street for the University Place Neighborhood Association Block Party event.
  - b) Ordinance No. 9401, posting a yield sign on 19<sup>th</sup> Terrace at Maine Street.
  - c) Ordinance No. 9402, removing stop signs at the intersection of 17<sup>th</sup> and Illinois Streets, 17<sup>th</sup> and Indiana Streets, and 18<sup>th</sup> and Illinois Street, by rescinding Ordinance No. 5797 and No. 5752.
- 6. Adopt on second and final reading, the following ordinances:
  - a) Ordinance No. 9398, allowing the sale, possession and consumption of alcohol on the public right-of-way on Friday, October 27, 2017, from 3:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. in the 100 block of East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, for the Halloween Block Party event.
  - b) Ordinance No. 9399, granting to Midcontinent Communications, a South Dakota general partnership, d/b/a Midco, a nonexclusive telecommunications franchise.
- 7. Adopt Resolution No. 7225, declaring it necessary to improve the water and sewage system of the City of Lawrence, Kansas; to authorize the issuance of water and sewage system revenue bonds for the purpose of paying the costs thereof and related bond reserves and financing costs; and providing for the giving of notice of said intention.
- 8. Accept the dedication and vacation of easements associated with Minor Subdivision, MS-17-00390, for Sunset Hill Estate, located at 2515 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Submitted by Paul Werner Architects, for D & D Properties of Lawrence, Inc, property owner of record.
- 9. Concur with the following recommendations of the Transportation Commission:
  - a) Approve request for Traffic Calming on Rockledge Road, from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - b) Approve request for a Crosswalk and Pedestrian Island on Louisiana Street, South of 29<sup>th</sup> Terrace.
- 10. Authorize the Mayor to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 6 with the Kansas Department of Transportation for reimbursement of state funds for the Dillon's Driveway 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Access Management project, Project No. PW1627, and authorize the City Manager to execute a Development Agreement with Dillon Companies, Inc.

- 11. Approve moving the start time of the November 7, 2017 City Commission Meeting to 5:00 p.m.
- 12. Approve the 2018 City Commission Meeting calendar.

## C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Commission heard public comment on items and issues not scheduled on the agenda.

#### D. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Receive recommendations from the Public Incentives Review Committee and continue the public hearing from September 19, 2017, regarding a Neighborhood Revitalization Area at 800-815 Vermont Street for the Vermont Place Project. Consider adopting on first reading, Ordinance No. 9303, establishing the Neighborhood Revitalization Area and approving the Neighborhood Revitalization Area Plan, and adopt Resolution No. 7173, authorizing Industrial Revenue Bond financing to access a sales tax exemption on project construction materials.

Britt Crum-Cano, Economic Development Coordinator, presented the staff report.

The Commission took a 5-minute break at 7:36 p.m.

The Commission resumed the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

**Moved by Mayor Soden, seconded by Commissioner Herbert,** to continue the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**Moved by Mayor Soden, seconded by Commissioner Amyx**, to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**Moved by Commissioner Amyx, seconded by Vice Mayor Boley,** to adopt on first reading Ordinance No. 9303 establishing the Neighborhood Revitalization Area and approving the Neighborhood Revitalization Area Plan; and, adopt Resolution No. 7173, authorizing Industrial Revenue Bond financing to access a sales tax exemption on project construction materials. Aye: Vice Mayor Boley, Commissioner Amyx, Commissioner Larsen. Nay: Mayor Soden, Commissioner Herbert. Motion carried 3-2.

2. Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute a settlement agreement with Riverfront,

L.L.C. related to rent and parking maintenance payments under the Amended and

Restated Ground Lease, as amended, for real property commonly known as 1

Riverfront Plaza.

Toni R. Wheeler, City Attorney, presented the staff report.

**Moved by Commissioner Amyx, seconded by Commissioner Larsen,** to authorize the Mayor to execute a settlement agreement with Riverfront, L.L.C., related to rent and parking maintenance payments under the Amended and Restated Ground Lease, as amended, for real property commonly known as 1 Riverfront Plaza. Motion carried unanimously.

## E. COMMISSION ITEMS:

Mayor Soden shared two requests for City Commission support: a request from Represent Lawrence asking for the adoption of an anti-corruption resolution; and, a request from Connie Fitzpatrick and Vanessa Reynaga asking for a public statement in support of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival (DACA) recipients.

Vice Mayor Boley asked staff to respond to questions related to the sales tax renewal proposal; and, recognized the passing of Dr. Helen Gilles and her legacy of service to the Lawrence community.

## F. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Tom Markus, City Manager, presented information on the following items: Farmland Investments Update, Update on the Environmental Remediation Efforts at the Former Farmland Nitrogen Plant Property, Update on short-term rentals (Airbnb), Recordings of Historic Resources Commission Meetings, Municipal Court Updates, School District Request to Waive Permit Fees, Update on Fire Station No. 1/Senior Resource Center for Douglas County Remodel Project, Future Agenda Items and Future Work Session Items.

### G. CALENDAR:

The Commission reviewed calendar items.

**Moved by Mayor Soden, seconded by Commissioner Herbert,** to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 10, 2017.

Sherri Riedemann, City Clerk