

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORALVILLE,
JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL BY THE CORALVILLE
CITY COUNCIL AT A SUBSEQUENT MEETING**

An **Electronic Meeting** (pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8) of the City Council of the City of Coralville, Johnson County, IA was held Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 6:30 PM because a meeting in person is impossible or impractical due to concerns for the health and safety of Council Members, Staff and the Public presented by COVID-19. Until further notice all our Council Meetings will be held electronically only. Recorded webcasts of this meeting are on Mediacom 118-8 and on-demand at www.coralville.org/coralvision.

The following Council Members were present: Foster, Gross, Dodds, Goodrich.

The following Staff was present electronically via Zoom: City Engineer Dan Holderness; Director of Parks & Recreation Sherri Proud.

The following Staff were present at City Hall: City Attorney Don Diehl; City Attorney Kevin Olson; City Administrator Kelly Hayworth; Asst. City Administrator Ellen Habel; Community Development Director Dave Johnson; Finance Director Tony Roetlin; Fire Chief Orey Schwitzer; Communications Specialist Jon Hines and City Clerk Thorsten J. Johnson.

Motion by Dodds, seconded by Goodrich to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Votes are 4 Ayes for Motions, Resolutions and Ordinances unless otherwise noted.

Mayor John A. Lundell proclaimed October 3, 2020 as "Ostomy Awareness Day." Gina Carlile accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council, Carlile suffered from ulcerative colitis for years which caused her life revolve around having a bathroom nearby when she went out. Carlile had the surgery six years ago and it improved her life dramatically. Carlile hopes to take the proclamation to the papers and have them run a story on "Ostomy Awareness Day." State Representative Dave Jacoby worked with her on this and they hope to have a State Proclamation read next year. Lundell thanked Carlile for bringing this to our attention asked the City Clerk to get her a signed copy of the proclamation.

Lundell proclaimed October 4-10, 2020 as "Fire Prevention Week." Fire Chief Orey Schwitzer accepted the proclamation and thanked the Mayor and Council. Lundell stated as a former firefighter he is proud to read this proclamation. Schwitzer reported since things are a little different this year for "Fire Prevention Week" due to the pandemic the Fire Department will be recording fire safety and equipment videos to send to all the elementary schools since they cannot be there in person. The videos will include links to the National Fire Prevention Association's webpage where teachers can access additional materials for their classes. The Fire Department Open House will be Sunday, October 11th. Schwitzer reported the fire engine that was approved a year ago and was delayed a little due to the pandemic will arrive Thursday. They will celebrate the arrival with a "Pushing In" ceremony on Facebook Live at 6:30 PM on Thursday, October 24th. This is the first time they have pushed the engine into the Fire Station parking bay. This tradition goes back to when fire equipment was horse drawn and they would have to push equipment into the station because the horses couldn't back it in.

During citizen comments, Council Candidate Barry Bedford thanked the Council for having the upcoming September 29th Special Election, so the citizens of Coralville can use their votes as their voice. Bedford thanked the other candidates for running, having great ideas and showing they care for Coralville and want it to succeed. Bedford asked those watching for their consideration and to visit his website bedfordforcoralville.com or his Facebook account to learn more about him and his campaign. Bedford encouraged everyone to vote.

During citizen comments Resident Kathy Hotsenpiller addressed the Council and thanked Police Chief Shane Kron for meeting with Kevin Sanders this summer and she looks forward to what Mr. Sanders has

to say tonight. Hotsenpiller looked forward to the traffic ticket analysis and the creation of a Citizen Review Board. Hotsenpiller supports the City's partnership with the NAACP and work on the Coralville Police Community Relations Ordinance and recruiting qualified, diverse police officers. Hotsenpiller noted Coralville isn't the same place as it was 30 years ago and the Black Lives Matter movement and there should be new voices to bring diversity, equity and inclusion to the City Council.

Resident Dan Kauble spoke during citizen comments and thanked the Council for holding a Special Election where everyone's voice can be heard. Kauble asked residents to focus on the future, new ideas and new blood this election. Kauble respectfully argued Bedford had his time as Police Chief to make changes and now is the time for someone new to make changes.

Lundell encouraged everyone to look up the candidate's websites and social media to learn more and vote.

Police Chief Shane Kron introduced President Kevin Sanders of the Iowa City Branch of the NAACP as a friend who has been very helpful to bounce ideas off of the last several months. Sanders thanked the Kron and the Council during this time of unrest and disheartening comments that have been made. Sanders noted the objectives of the NAACP are to seek, enact and enforce local, state and federal laws securing civil rights and to inform the public of the adverse effects of racial discrimination and to seek its elimination. They want to educate people on their civil rights and take lawful action to further these objectives. Sanders reported Kron was instrumental in signing an NAACP agreement on holding all law enforcement officers accountable after a meeting with all Johnson County law enforcement entities in June. Since then Sanders has had multiple meetings with Kron discussing Coralville Police Officers participating in educational training programs through the NAACP or other recommended agencies, which are being scheduled now with other Johnson County agencies. Sanders noted Kron has been very transparent as they discussed the disparities and challenges of diversifying the Police Department. One obstacle has been minority applicants passing tests to qualify, so they discussed the possibility of having applicants take a practice test in advance and recruiting applicants through the NAACP network. They are working on an anti-racial ordinance to be passed by the City of Coralville. Sanders is happy to see progress in addressing racial issues in Coralville. Lundell thanked Sanders and Lundell noted the cooperation goes beyond the Police Department with the NAACP helping to increase the City's pool of applicants for other City jobs, boards and commissions of all types. Hayworth reported City Attorney Kevin Olson is working with the NAACP on the anti-racial ordinance and some amendments needed for the ordinance to work with Iowa law. Sanders provided Olson the name of an attorney who works with the NAACP to help have an ordinance ready Council review at their next work session. Hayworth announced the NAACP is helping to recruit applicants to be tested for openings on the Coralville Police Department and Johnson County Sheriff's department. Hayworth asked everyone to let possible candidates know about the testing and have them contact the Police Department. Councilperson Mitch Gross asked if the ordinance will include a coherent police camera policy. Hayworth responded the ordinance covers testing, recruitment, a community board and the review of traffic data. Gross wanted it understood this is just the beginning and the City will continue moving forward on an all-encompassing policy. Sanders agreed and noted Kron and he understand this will be a long-term commitment for the community. Councilperson Jill Dodds asked Sanders how he felt about the Iowa Freedom Rider's demands for reform. Sanders responded he has not seen them so he can't comment. Councilperson Meghann Foster noted the City needs help with reaching out to marginalized communities that are not traditionally heard from in Coralville. Foster asked how the NAACP could help with not just reaching out to Black communities but other organizations like LULAC. Sanders responded the NAACP is willing to work with other organizations on things like voting but it currently hasn't collaborated with anyone. Sander suggested Kron could reach out to the leaders of those communities like the former Chief of Police in Iowa City did very successfully. Councilperson Laurie Goodrich thanked Sanders for working with Kron and Hayworth and thought this is a great start to being unbiased in all areas of City government. Sanders encouraged the Council to reach out to him if they had any questions.

OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1009 An ordinance amending the Coralville Zoning Ordinance, the same being Ordinance No. 664, as previously amended, by adopting a New Official Zoning Map for the City of Coralville, Iowa, was introduced by Foster, seconded by Goodrich for 3rd and final consideration. A roll call vote was taken. Ordinance declared adopted after its publication as required by law.

OFFICIAL LAND USE MAP

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1010 An ordinance amending the Coralville Community Plan, 2014 Edition, by adopting a New Official Land Use Map for the City of Coralville, Iowa, was introduced by Gross, seconded by Dodds for 3rd and final consideration. A roll call vote was taken. Ordinance declared adopted after its publication as required by law.

SCANLON FARMS/SOUTH RIDGE

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1011 An ordinance amending the Coralville Community Plan to reflect certain property generally known as a portion of Scanlon Farms/South Ridge, Coralville, Iowa to be designated Mixed Use in place of Neighborhood Commercial Use, was introduced by Dodds, seconded by Gross for 3rd and final consideration. A roll call vote was taken. Ordinance declared adopted after its publication as required by law.

12TH AVENUE ASH TREE REPLACEMENT AND STREETScape REHABILITATION

Director of Parks & Recreation Sherri Proud reported this project will replace the failing ash trees along the 12th Avenue Right of Way between 2nd Street and 6th Street and it will take care of sidewalk reconstruction where tree roots have pushed sidewalk panels up making them uneven. There will be expanded tree wells with additional landscaping. Three bids were received on September 15th with a high bid of \$119,203.00 and a low bid of \$85,903.00 from J. Harding Inc. The low bid was 3.2% below the engineer's estimate and staff recommends accepting the lowest base bid plus the alternate which will install barriers around all of the tree wells to prevent the sidewalk panels being pushed up again.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-162

Resolution accepting bids and awarding the Construction Contract for the 12th Avenue Ash Tree Replacement and Streetscape Rehabilitation, was introduced by Goodrich, seconded by Foster. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

After Resolution No. 2020-163 was read, Lundell asked if there will be other projects like this and Proud responded the reason she was the lead on this project was because the failing Ash tree replacement was the main focus of this project and the other main streetscapes along Highway 6, 23rd Avenue and 25th Avenue have the Ash trees being treated and are doing well.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-163

Resolution approving the Contract and bond documents for the 12th Avenue Ash Tree Replacement and Streetscape Rehabilitation, was introduced by Foster, seconded by Goodrich. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

4TH AVENUE SANITARY SEWER PROJECT

Motion by Foster, seconded by Dodds to approve Pay Estimate #2 FINAL to **Maxwell Construction, Inc.** for the 4th Avenue Sanitary Sewer Project: \$0.00. Motion carried. It was noted the retainage of \$6,928.75 is due in 30 days.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-164

Resolution accepting the 4th Avenue Sanitary Sewer Project as completed, was introduced by Gross, seconded by Goodrich. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

WEST LAND USE FEES

It was noted the payment was in the amount of \$170,673.44.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-165

Resolution acknowledging payment in full of the West Land Use Area Connection Fees for Veritas First Addition, Coralville, Iowa, was introduced by Dodds, seconded by Goodrich. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY CONTRACT

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-166

Resolution approving an Agreement with the Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau for Traffic Services, was introduced by Goodrich, seconded by Gross. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

Since the City has been awarded the BUILD Grant, Hayworth introduced City Engineer Dan Holderness and asked him to remind the Council and public the grant is for the I-80 and 1st Avenue Interchange which will have a diverting diamond design. Hayworth thanked Asst. City Administrator Ellen Habel for her work on the \$20.5 million BUILD grant that was awarded last week. This grant along with the Iowa Department of Transportation's allocation will fully fund the project. Hayworth also thanked Holderness for providing the information needed for this and the two previous applications and Senator's Grassley and Ernst and Congressman Loebsack for their help securing the grant. Holderness explained the advantage of the diverting diamond interchange which will allow a high and safe volume of left turning traffic to safely enter an exit from 1st Avenue onto the interstate. It will include a new entry way into the Iowa River Landing and a safer signalized intersection for the 40 to 50 tanker trucks that come in and out of the Magellan Pipeline Company from 1st Avenue. A new trail system will cross the interstate on the east side instead of the west with a tunnel under IRL Place and a node for extending the trail to the east in the future. Heading north there will be a tunnel under the I-80 onramp and a bridge over I-80 leading to a 160-foot tunnel under the I-80 ramp exiting to 1st Avenue and back to the existing trail on the west side on 1st Avenue north of I-80. Holderness explained the project is complicated but necessary based on today's traffic numbers and will make traffic safer for automobile, pedestrian and bike traffic. The Iowa Department of Transportation has the project scheduled to begin in Fiscal Year 2024, but the City is going to see if they can advance the schedule now that the BUILD grant is in place. Lundell asked about staging the project to maintain some level of traffic on 1st Avenue during the project. Holderness responded it will be complicated to keep both I-80 and 1st Avenue open for traffic but HR Green and the City will continue to work on the staging to keep traffic open on 1st Avenue at all times.

MOTION BY DODDS TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR items a-m inclusive:

- a) Approve minutes for the September 8, 2020 Coralville City Council Regular Meeting.
- b) Approve Class C Liquor License with Carryout Wine, Catering Privilege, Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales for **Monica's**: Eff. 10/21.
- c) Approve **new** Class E Liquor License with Sunday Sales for **Hawkeye Smoke Shop**: Eff. 10/21.
- d) Approve Special Class C Liquor License (Beer/Wine) with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales for **High Ground Café**: Eff. 10/24.
- e) Approve payment to **Backyard Trails LLC** for Creekside Flow Trail Project:
 - i) Invoice #100106 \$10,050.00
 - ii) Invoice #100105 \$9,112.50

- f) Approve payment to **Impact7G** for Mitigation Bank Feasibility Study (#17465): \$6,850.00.
- g) Approve payment to **Bolton & Menk** for 12th Avenue Ash Tree Replacement and Streetscape Rehabilitation (#0254429): \$1,877.50.
- h) Approve payment to the **Johnson County Finance Department** for Coralville's second contribution installment due at 50% construction completion for Johnson County Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center per 28E Agreement (#ACCESS CTR #7): \$125,000.00.
- i) Approve payment of Iowa River Landing Invoice as approved by Kappa Advisors, LLC to **Pappageorge Haymes, Ltd.** for IRL Master Planning LOD's & CAD July 2020 Services - Final (#134595): \$354.38.
- j) Approve payment of Iowa River Landing Invoice as approved by Kappa Advisors, LLC to **RDG Planning & Design** for IRL Roundabout CPS (#47106): \$1,322.75.
- k) Approve Change Order #1 (Final Contract Adjustment) to **M.A. Mortenson Company** for the Coralville Marriott Hotel & Conference Center Phase 1: -\$37,268.53.
- l) Accept quotes and approve payment to **KDK Sales & Equipment of Washington, Iowa** for one 500-gallon fuel trailer for the Water Department: Not to exceed \$8,000.00. (This is needed to fuel the department's generators during emergencies. A need discovered during the recent derecho. This corrects the company listed on the 9/8/2020 Agenda.)
- m) Approve Bill List for September 22, 2020.

Seconded by Goodrich. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

City Administrator Kelly Hayworth reported the Xtream Arena and GreenState Fieldhouse are now open and this weekend will be the first major youth basketball tournament held at the Fieldhouse which has brought in a significant number of reservations at the Marriott Hotel & Conference Center. There will be a USA Wrestling event October 9th through the 11th. Hayworth stated Arena staff is doing a good job making sure they follow COVID-19 procedures during these activities. Hayworth thanked the Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau for being a very good partner without whose assistance we would not be at this point with the Arena. Hayworth thanked Mortenson's for their leadership and the local subcontractors for their efforts on constructing a facility the City can be proud of. Hayworth reminded everyone Tuesday, October 29th is the Special Election to fill the vacant Council seat and all seven precincts will be open. Residents should go to their normal polling sites except for Precinct 3 which will be at Kirkwood College. October 10th is the next date of testing for Coralville Police and Johnson County Sheriff positions.

Hayworth asked Director of Parks & Recreation Sherri Proud to report on NESTS and the Hybrid Camp program they put together very quickly with the Iowa City Community School District. Proud reported, they have had an all-day camp with wrap around before and after school services at the Recreation Center since school began and Monday, they opened a second location at Community of Christ. They are serving fifty-seven children and twelve received scholarships to participate. Staff are assisting students with all aspects of on-line schooling. Next Monday the Recreation Center will switch to a Hybrid program with the school district where some students will be at the two locations on A days and some on B days and they will have after-school programs. They will not run before school programs as long as the school district is running a hybrid program. They plan to take advantage of the school lunch program by having students pick up their lunches across the street at Northwest Jr. High School. They will transition to enrichment programs when classes are done for the day. The Recreation Center is taking applications for volunteers interested in helping with on-line learning. The Recreation Department plans to begin NESTS (Nurturing Every Student Together Safely) programs at the end of September or beginning of October depending where the program is located. The program is meant to help families access resources during these difficult times. With students not able to be in school to access a lot of social programs the NESTS plan to help connect families with socio-economic challenges or English as a second language challenges to these resources in place of the schools. They plan to help people access wi-fi and provide adult help with technology or academics, enrichment activities, access to mental health programs or the food pantry; and provide a healthy snack. NESTS will be at Life Church on 22nd Avenue, Monday and Thursday mornings supporting 1st through 6th graders at Borlaug and Kirkwood Elementary Schools with Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County as a partner. The NESTS at the Genesis Church will partner with the Iowa Children's Museum on Thursday afternoons supporting Kirkwood and Central families. The

Iowa Children's Museum will be a NESTS location on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-4:00 PM and will serve families enrolled for on-line learning during the first trimester getting those kids out and engaged in enrichment activities. The last NESTS site is at the Old Town Hall with the Coralville Public Library and Friends of the Library serving children from Central Elementary. All the NESTS will work with the Iowa City Community School District's student and family advocates. They are keeping the numbers low at these locations due to the pandemic while trying to make a strategic impact to serve these families and get them the help they need. Hayworth thanked Proud and asked everyone to let people know there are still scholarships available and to contact the Recreation Center if interested.

Mayor John A. Lundell thanked Proud and the Recreation staff for their work on the previous programs. Lundell noted Mayor's Fall Cleanup Week will be October 5th through the 9th on your regular garbage pickup day. There will be an extra trash container pickup this Friday, September 25th for people south of the interstate and Monday, September 28th for people north of the interstate. Lundell noted last week they moved the Farmer's Market from the Aquatic Center Parking Lot to the Iowa River Landing. Lundell acknowledged some residents had reservations, but the market has been struggling in its present location and its organizer is no longer with the City. They thought the time was right to do something different to rejuvenate it. Hayworth reported the market in the Iowa River Landing has been successful and vendors from the previous location have had a tremendous increase in sales with one selling out and the other doing triple the business and now six more vendors want to sign up. Lundell noted there are vacancies on the Library Board of Trustees and Board of Adjustment due to members moving out of town. The City Clerk will be advertising for those openings soon. Lundell added they will work with Kevin Sanders and the NAACP to get a diverse pool of applicants.

City Attorney's Don Diehl and Kevin Olson had nothing to report.

Councilperson Mitch Gross noted the programs Proud mentioned in partnership with the Iowa City Community School District are a result of the COVID taskforce where he represents Coralville and they have a website <https://icaretogether.com/NESTS> with more information on the program. Gross noted the passing of Ruth Bader Ginsburg with his favorite quote from her, "Fight for things that you care about but do it in a way that will lead others to join you." Gross thought that applies to all the things facing the City and the need to form coalitions to move together and he appreciates the City for reaching out to the NAACP and he hopes this will extend to other community groups representing people who have not had a voice and marginalized groups. Gross wished to invite these groups once a month to address the Council at their meetings. Gross thought the Arena opening went well and got people excited. Gross asked for a monthly Arena update.

Councilperson Laurie Goodrich thanked everyone who has been involved with the Xstream Arena and GreenState Fieldhouse. Goodrich enjoyed revisiting the beginning of the City's efforts in the Iowa River Landing and seeing how it has changed from what it once was and recognizing all of those who helped finance those improvements including officials at the State and Federal level who have maintained an interest in these projects in Coralville. Goodrich recognized the executive administrators who were good at communicating and reaching out to those that could help the City and promote better living for our community. Goodrich reported the Center for the Performing Arts is reopening and has their staff back. They have three events coming up at the end of September and beginning of October and they are the Eulenspiegel Puppet Theatre; "Songs for a New World" and "Art."

Councilperson Meghann Foster asked about transportation for the NESTS program. Proud responded the NESTS are set up in the neighborhoods of those being served so they are walkable. Borlaug and Kirkwood can walk to Life Church; Central can walk to Old Town Hall, and Genesis Church will be walkable for Kirkwood kids north of the Interstate. Foster asked if there will be free bus rides for the Special Election and General Election, so as many people as possible can participate. Foster thanked City Staff, the CVB and all the community partners that helped make the Arena opening possible and she is looking forward to all of the upcoming community programming. Foster wants to make sure the facility can be used by the entire community no matter where they live. Foster recognized the impact Ruth Bader Ginsburg had on women's lives, like women being able to sign a mortgage and have bank account without a man and workplace protections. Foster's favorite quote was from when she was asked how she

wanted to be remembered. "As someone who used whatever talent she had to work to the very best of her ability and help repair tears in her society to make things a little better through the use of whatever ability she has." Foster stated this has been a source of inspiration to her and it can be to all of us. Foster added another quote from Ginsburg, "Women belong in all the places where decisions are being made."

Councilperson Jill Dodds thanked Proud for reporting on the NESTS and hybrid programs and she is impressed with how she and her staff have reached out to partners to do this safely and help the community. Dodd thanked Asst. City Administrator Ellen Habel for applying and getting that large grant for the diverting diamond intersection, which she was not expecting. Dodds noted she was also strongly affected by the passing of Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Dodd asked everyone to please vote on September 29th because their voice matters. Lundell added there is early voting at the Auditor's office in the Johnson County Administration Building during regular hours before election day. Gross asked when polls were open on September 29th and he was told 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM. Dodds added all seven precincts will be open at their regular polling spots except Precinct 3 which will be the Kirkwood Regional Center.

Motion by Dodds, seconded by Gross to adjourn at 7:49 PM. Motion carried.