

**HOPKINS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 10, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Hopkins City Council was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1010 1st Street South.

Mayor Hanlon called the meeting to order with Council Members Balan, Beck, Garrido and Hunke attending. Others attending included City Manager Mornson, Assistant City Manager Lenz, City Clerk Domeier, Finance Director Bishop, Director of Planning and Development Elverum and Executive Director for Center of the Arts Anderson.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Balan. **Second** by Hunke.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda.

Ayes: Balan, Beck, Garrido, Hanlon, Hunke

Nays: None. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Beck. **Second** by Balan.

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda.

1. Minutes of the October 3, 2023, City Council Regular Meeting Proceedings
2. Second Reading: Ordinance 2023-1201 Amending Article 5, Chapter 102 of the City Code Regarding Office Uses in Mixed Use Zones; Krzos
3. Approval of 2023 MOU with LELS #171 regarding wages; Lenz
4. Approval of 2024-2026 Contract with LELS #171; Lenz

Ayes: Balan, Beck, Garrido, Hanlon, Hunke

Nays: None. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

VII.1. Special Revenue Fund Budgets and Activity Center Budget Review; Bishop
Finance Director Bishop provided information on the proposed budgets for special revenue funds and the Activity Center budget.

Discussion was held about options at the municipal parking lot. Staff were directed to bring back the leased rentals amount. Mayor Hanlon supported moving towards a gated and/or credit card access model while Council Member Beck did not support a new system finding it to be a potential deterrent to visitors.

Discussion was held about the Depot Fund. Mr. Bishop and Assistant City Manager Lenz spoke to the options for funding with the RFS. Council Member Beck wanted the other partners to be included in reducing the debt.

Discussion was held about funding the Communications Fund including how it is funded and what the funds are used towards.

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VII.2. Enterprise Fund Budgets and Utility Rate Review; Bishop

Finance Director Bishop provided information on proposed budgets for enterprise funds and utility rates.

Discussion was held on the Utility Funds including the tiered water rates, the Pavilion Funds including changes in revenues, annual service cost for median value homes and refuse funds. Mr. Bishop will send updated slides to the City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Renee Kessler, 210 Ashley Road, Hopkins, questioned the Center for the Arts debt and the plan to pay down the deficit. Mr. Bishop responded by explaining the plan laid out to reduce the deficit to the general fund. A brief discussion was held about how debt affects bond issuance. Lynn Anderson, Executive Director of the Hopkins Center for the Arts, stated that alleviating the deficit offers greater grant opportunities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Hanlon reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, and upon a motion by Balan, second by Garrido, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Amy Domeier, City Clerk