Sheldon, Iowa City Council October 5, 2016

The Sheldon City Council met in regular session on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. Mayor Katricia Meendering called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. Present: Pete Hamill, Randy Fonkert, Brad Hindt, Greg Geels, and Zach Sawyer. Also present: Todd Uhl, Curt Strouth, Micah Schreurs, Lyle Bolkema, and Angela Beckman.

Public Comments: None.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Fonkert to approve the consent agenda with the following items:

- a. Minutes of September 21, 2016, special minutes of 09/21/16, 09/23/16, 09/29/16 & 09/29/16 part 2.
- b. Summary list of claims, and additional claims as presented.
- c. Approval of SCAT applicant, Jared Johnson.

Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

Mayor Meendering stated that October is Disability Awareness month. A motion was made by Hamill and seconded by Fonkert to approve the Proclamation declaring October as Disability Employment Awareness Month in Sheldon, Iowa. Roll call was taken. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Ruth Kuster of HTC Communications stated that there have been internet problems along East 6<sup>th</sup> Street and they have found there is bad coaxial cable. Therefore they would like to put in fiber optic cable. They are asking for a 10 foot easement on City property know as East Lawn Cemetery, and a portion of City owned property from East 6<sup>th</sup> Street south to the East Lawn Cemetery property. Attorney Schreurs stated that an Easement on City property would require a public hearing. A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Geels set a public hearing for October 19, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. to consider approval of an Easement with HTC Communications. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Council considered an offer for Real Estate from Justice For All NW Iowa Chapter for block 2, lot 11 in Sunshine Addition. Attorney Schreurs pointed out that the purchaser would be responsible for the cost of the abstract, there is a minimum assessment agreement, and construction is required to begin within 12 months of the closing and completion within 24 months. Fonkert pointed out that the closing date on this offer is March 1, 2017. In the past the Council has required a closing date closer to the Council approval date. After discussion, a motion was made by Geels and seconded by Fonkert to approve the Resolution R16-4222 for the sale of block 2, lot 11 in Sunshine Addition to Justice For All NW Iowa Chapter, pending their agreement to change the closing date to 01/01/17. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sawyer and seconded by Fonkert to approve pay estimate #4 on the 6-Unit T-Hangar Project in the amount of \$49,540.81 to Schaus-Vorhies Contracting. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hindt and seconded by Fonkert to set October 19, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. for a public hearing to consider rezoning a parcel of land owned by the Sheldon Community School District from Highway 18 to East 4<sup>th</sup> Street from Residential Multiple to Arterial Commercial. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Sawyer to go into closed session at 4:53 p.m. pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(j) to discuss the purchase of particular real estate where premature disclosure could be reasonably expected to increase the price the governmental body would have to pay for that property. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Council came out of closed session at 5:42 p.m. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Fonkert and seconded by Hindt to enter into closed session at 5:44 p.m. pursuant to lowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Roll call was taken. Ayes, all. Motion carried.

The Council came out of closed session at 8:04 p.m. Because we are fortunate to have qualified candidates to choose from, no action has been taken.

Staff Comments: None.

Council Comments: None.

A motion was made by Geels and seconded by Hindt to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ayes: all. Motion carried.

Angela Beckman, City Clerk