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AURORA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES **Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers** **Tuesday, July 9th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.**

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Pro Tem Wiles called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- II. PLEDGE AND PRAYER:** Chairman Pro Tem Wiles led the council in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance
- III. ROLL CALL:** *Mayor Doyle Ferguson - Absent*
Chairman Pro Tem Stephen Wiles
Councilman David Larry Marks - Absent
Councilwoman Dawn Oplinger
Councilman Don McWade
***Councilman Marks arrived to the meeting at 6:38*
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the Minutes from the Regular Session held on June 25th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Wiles
NAYES: 0
- V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for June**
Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the appropriations for June as submitted. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Wiles
NAYES: 0
- VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**
A citizen desiring to speak on an item not on the agenda may do so at this time. Each citizen is limited to three minutes and the Council will not take action or discuss items at this time. Discussion should be limited to matters of City business and public comment is not permitted in regard to personnel matters or on pending legal matters. Items introduced under "Public Comment" may become agenda items at a later date.
- VII. COUNCIL FORUM**
Councilwoman Oplinger stated that she received a call from a citizen regarding the trees at Oak Park.
- VIII. OLD BUSINESS**
NONE

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XII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution NO. 2019-1694

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documentation for the renewal of the employee benefits for health, dental and life

City Manager Holmes presents handouts to council showing illustration of the City's health and dental plan with Anthem. He recommends to continue the health insurance plan with Anthem and to move the dental insurance from Humana to Anthem.

The Council had no questions concerning the upcoming renewal.

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AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Wiles, Marks

NAYES: 0

XIII. REPORTS

A. Board Liaison Reports

Councilwoman Oplinger reported that she attended the Hospital Board meeting and that she registered for the MML Regional meeting that will be held July 30th in Aurora.

B. City Attorney Report

City Manager Holmes and City Attorney Reynolds discussed with Council about removing the City Attorney report from the report section as the City Attorney matters are typically closed session items that are not able to be discussed outside of closed session. Council had no objections to removing the City Attorney Report from the Agenda moving forward.

C. City Manager Report

Report Items:

1) Dept. Items

• Police

- Police Staff - 4th of July – no major incidents
- Animal Control staff worked extra hours during this time to assist with animals that escaped on the 4th

• Street

- Mosquito spraying is ongoing
- Working with Blevins to schedule paving – Staff are beginning to do street prep work to be ready for paving
- Brush and Branches pickup is next week, beginning Monday
- Lincoln Street Stormwater project has begun
- Getting ready to do striping work

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- **Park**
 - Park Board Meeting last night – finalized their projects for the requested budget for 2020
 - **Wastewater**
 - Received Bids for I & I work on McNatt – complete sewer replacement
 - Bids I & I reductions for private side repair work
 - **Admin. & Finance**
 - Open Positions/Seasonal Employees:
 - Police Officer Position Open
 - Continue work regarding the on-line bill pay for City utility bills
 - Business License and Liquor License renewals are wrapping up
 - Scheduling open enrollment for employee benefits
 - Working on a RFQ for group facilitation for Council Goal Setting and Council Organization Planning – working to schedule these meetings in the fall
 - Working to get a working committee together to discuss domesticated animals – planning to meet in Sept.
 - **Planning & Code Enforcement**
 - Building Demolition Bids -Due July 25th
 - Second Building is going up at the Aurora Marketplace
 - **Fire**
 - 4th of July – No major calls for fire or injury
- 2) Meetings/Events Attended:**
- SW MO Solid Waste District Meeting – 9th
- Upcoming Meetings and Events Attending:**
- Transportation Advisory Meeting – 10th
 - Hospital Board Meeting – 11th
 - Budget Work Session – July 25th 6:00 pm, City Hall, Council Chambers
 - MML Regional Meeting – July 30th, all City Council and City Staff is invited
- 3) Follow-Up Items**
- None

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. All council members voted aye:
AYES: Wiles, Oplinger, McWade, Marks
NAYES:

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APPROVED:

Doyle Ferguson, Mayor (07/23/2019)

ATTEST:

Devin Fisher, City Clerk (07/23/2019)

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