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AURORA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES **Aurora City Hall, Council Chambers** **Tuesday, July 23rd, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.**

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE AND PRAYER: Mayor Ferguson led the council in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance

III. ROLL CALL: *Mayor Doyle Ferguson*
Chairman Pro Tem Stephen Wiles - Absent
Councilman David Larry Marks
Councilwoman Dawn Oplinger
Councilman Don McWade

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve the Minutes from the Regular Session held on July 9th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Marks

NAYES: 0

Abstain:

V. APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS for July

Mayor Ferguson moved to approve the appropriations for June as submitted.

Councilwoman Oplinger seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

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 another call from a citizen regarding the trees at Oak Park.

Councilwoman Oplinger would like to also commend the Dog Catcher as she is very responsive to calls.

City Manager Holmes states that he has talked to a State Forrester that will be coming to look at all the trees within our parks.

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VIII. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution NO. 2019-1695

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with United Plumbing and DeLong Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning for services to repair the private side of I & I

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve Resolution NO. 2019-1695, A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with United Plumbing and DeLong Plumbing, Heating and Air Conditioning Services for services to repair the private side of I & I. Mayor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following councilmembers voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

B. Resolution NO. 2019-1696

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the City Manager to execute the bid award for the McNatt Avenue Sewer Replacement

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve Resolution NO. 2019-1696, A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the City Manager to execute a the bid award for the McNatt Avenue Sewer Replacement. Mayor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following councilmembers voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

NAYES: 0

C. Resolution NO. 2019-1697

A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri appointing membership to the Aurora Mercy Hospital Board of Trustees

Mayor Ferguson stated that Resolution NO. 2019-1697 reappoints Steve Kahre to a four year term.

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve Resolution NO. 2019-1696, A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, appointing membership to the Aurora Mercy Hospital Board of Trustees. Councilman McWade seconded the motion.

Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

NAYES: 0

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- D. *Resolution NO. 2019-1698*
A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri appointing membership to the Aurora Mercy Hospital Board of Trustees

Mayor Ferguson stated that Resolution NO. 2019-1698 reappoints Marcia Sadler to a four year term.

Mayor Ferguson moved to approve Resolution NO. 2019-1698, A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, appointing membership to the Aurora Mercy Hospital Board of Trustees. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

NAYES: 0

- E. *Resolution NO. 2019-1699*
A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Aurora R-8 Schools for a School Resource Officer

City Manager Holmes states that this is a yearly contract with the Aurora School District and the funding is shared between the school and the city.

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to approve Resolution NO. 2019-1699, A Resolution of the City of Aurora, Missouri, authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Aurora R-8 Schools for a School Resource Officer. Mayor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: McWade, Oplinger, Ferguson, Marks

NAYES: 0

X. **REPORTS**

- A. *Board Liaison Reports*

Councilwoman Oplinger reported that she attended the Cross Community GRO 2.0 meeting.

- B. *City Manager Report*

Report Items:

1) Dept. Items

- **Police**
 - Nothing to report
- **Street**
 - Mosquito spraying is ongoing
 - Working with Blevins to schedule paving – Staff are beginning to do street prep work to be ready for paving – tentatively scheduled in two weeks
 - Mower Down in the cemetery
- **Park**
 - Pool Closure for the season – August 11th.

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- 2nd Annual Puppy Pool Party – Being scheduled

- **Wastewater**

- I&I work is ongoing
 - Repair work on manholes
 - Scheduling sewer lining work

- **Admin. & Finance**

- Open Positions/Seasonal Employees:
 - Police Officer Position Open
- Budget Work Session scheduled for Thursday the 25th at 6 PM, Council Chambers, 3rd Floor of City Hall, Open to the Public.

- **Planning & Code Enforcement**

- Building Demolition Bids -Due July 25th
- Second Building is going up at the Aurora Marketplace
- Code Enforcement is very busy – Grass/Mowing citations primarily

- **Fire**

- Nothing to Report

2) Meetings/Events Attended:

- Transportation Advisory Meeting – 10th
- Hospital Board Meeting – 11th
- Community Foundation of the Ozarks/GRO Cross Community Meeting – 16th

Upcoming Meetings and Events Attending:

- Chamber of Commerce Meeting – 24th
- 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/Misc. Items

- Labor Day, Sept. 2nd – City Offices Closed

XI. *CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO 610.021 (1) (3)*

- 1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving public government body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys
- 2) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded.

Councilwoman Oplinger moved to go into Closed Session pursuant to 610.021 (1) (3) at 7:05 p.m. Mayor Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed by a roll call vote with the following council members voting aye:

AYES: Ferguson, Oplinger, McWade, Marks

NAYES: 0

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Mayor Ferguson moved to go into Open Session pursuant to 610.021 (1) (3).
Time noted 7:18 p.m. Councilman McWade seconded the motion. Motion passed
by a roll call vote with the following council members voting aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Marks, McWade, Oplinger
NAYES: 0

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Marks moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Councilman McWade
seconded the motion. All council members voted aye:
AYES: Ferguson, Oplinger, McWade, Marks
NAYES:

APPROVED:

Doyle Ferguson, Mayor (08/13/2019)

ATTEST:

Devin Fisher, City Clerk (08/13/2019)