

**CITY OF CARSON REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 14, 2020 7:30 PM**

Present: Mayor Todd. Council Members Present: Houser, Graves, Brandon, Richardson. Council Absent: Pilling. Staff Present: Duede, Gordon. Public Present: Jason Moss, Matthew Lee-SWIPCO (via Go To Meeting Online Connection).

Mayor Todd called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Pledge of allegiance.

Graves motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Richardson - 4 ayes.

Public Comments: Jason Moss, owner of Phase II & III residential lots in the Lewis/Lariviere Subdivision was present to request allowing livestock on the lots and/or combining the 18 lots. Council stated city ordinance prohibits livestock within city limits and stated consideration of the other subdivision residents. Moss inquired about de-annexing the lots from the city. Council & Mayor stated the community had annexed that property with the agreement it would be developed for housing. Mayor Todd stated the County housing study shows a need in rural community housing.

**Graves made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-27 (Approve Agreement With Southwest Iowa Planning Council For Dangerous Building Inspection Services), Seconded by Richardson – Roll Call 4 Ayes: Brandon, Houser, Richardson, Graves. Motion carried.**

Matthew Lee of Southwest Iowa Planning Council (SWIPCO) presented Dangerous and Dilapidated Building Inspection Reports for properties on Broadway, Iowa Code Chapter 657a Abandoned Buildings, City's goal is to encourage properties to repair the structures so that they are no longer a danger to the community.

Lee also presented a building inspection report on 121 Broadway, owned by Kevin Smith. Smith is offering to gift this property to the City of Carson. Council reviewed the inspection report. After lengthy discussion, Houser made a motion to accept the gift of property at 121 Broadway from Keven Smith and to have the City Attorney prepare the legal documents related to the transfer of ownership, seconded by Graves – Roll Call 3 Ayes: Houser, Graves, Richardson. 1 Nay: Brandon. Motion Carried.

Gordon presented public works maintenance reports on monthly well levels. Gordon reported there is a water main or service line leak in the neighborhood of South Locust and Washington Street, Pierce Pump has been scheduled to make the repairs later this week. Gordon recommends that the city lifts the water conservation warning level 1 provisions as the well levels look good.

**Houser made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-28 (Approve Lifting Water Conservation Provisions-Water Warning Level 1), seconded by Richardson – 4 Ayes: Brandon, Houser, Richardson, Graves. Motion carried.**

Graves made a motion to accept Brian Reed's employment resignation (maintenance public works employee), approve revised Public Works job Description, and advertise for position, seconded by Houser – 4 ayes. Motion carried.

**Richardson made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-29 (Approve Coronavirus Relief Fund Reimbursement Request), seconded by Graves – Roll Call 4 Ayes: Brandon, Houser, Richardson, Graves. Motion carried.**

Houser made a motion to approve Fire Department Officers for 2021: Chad Gordon-Fire Chief, Randy Miller-Assistant Fire Chief, Jordan Easton & Ray Hough-Fire Captains, Jennifer Volz-EMS Captain, Adam Hay-Assistant EMS Chief & Treasurer, Rachel Blocker – Secretary, seconded by Graves – 4 Ayes. Motion carried.

Houser made a motion to approve the proposed fiscal year 2021-2022 City Budget Schedule, seconded by Brandon – 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Graves made a motion to approve the modified Plan for the Annual City Pet Clinic, Oakland Vet Clinic will charge the city \$22.50/each rabies vaccine, seconded by Houser – 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Houser made a motion to approve advertising for Cemetery Lawn Care Bids for 2021 Season, seconded by Brandon – 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Graves made a motion to designate the Nonpareil as the City of Carson's official newspaper for publication, seconded by Richardson - 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Richardson made a motion to approve the City to participate in the Iowa Downtown Resource Center/Iowa Economic Development Authority's Downtown Walk Around Evaluation in the Spring of 2021, seconded by Houser – 4 ayes. Motion carried.

Houser made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Graves – 4 ayes. The consent agenda consisted of November 9, 2020 Minutes, December Bills, Utility Reports, Fire Department Report, Clerk & Treasurer October Reports, Animal Control Report, Law Enforcement Report, Overtime Report, Municipal Infraction Report.

Commissioner Reports: Richardson requested that public works broom and remove the leaves from Broadway.

Richardson made a motion to approve adjournment at 8:29 PM, seconded by Brandon - 4 ayes.

Tim Todd, Mayor

Attest: Brianne Duede, City Administrator/Clerk