

**CITY OF CARSON**  
**PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CONSIDERATION FOR THE SALE OF CITY OWNED VACANT LOTS**  
**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWED**

**JUNE 8, 2020 7:30 PM**

Present: Mayor Todd. Council Members Present: Richardson, Houser, Pilling, Graves arrived at 7:36 PM, Brandon arrived at 7:31 PM. Staff Present: Duede, Gordon, Hansen (via freeconferencecall.com). Public Present: Mr. & Mrs. Trey Stickler, Linda Harrill. Grant Anderson (MAPA) joined the meeting via freeconferencecall.com. Randy Miller arrived at approximately 7:55 PM.

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

Houser motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Richardson - 3 ayes.

Brandon arrived.

Mayor Todd opened the public hearing regarding the consideration for the sale of city owned vacant lots. No public comments or bids were received on the matter. Richardson made a motion to close the public hearing at 7:31 PM, seconded by Houser - 4 ayes.

Public Comments: None.

Trey Stickler, 118 South Locust, was present to request a fence height variance, request to install a privacy fence along the alley in his back yard that is six foot high. Ordinance states the fence height limit along a street (alley) cannot exceed 3.5 feet. Council stated the fence would not be near an intersection, and would not cause any traffic concerns.

Richardson made a motion to approve the fence height variance for Stickler, seconded by Brandon - 4 ayes.

Graves arrived.

Council reviewed a request from Julianne Christians to install a "Slow Down Children at Play" sign near the intersection of South Dye & Washington Street. Brandon made a motion to direct city maintenance to install 2 signs in the area, seconded by Houser - 5 ayes.

Richardson made a motion to approve Linda Harrill's request to coordinate a drive through nativity or presentation in the city's rodeo park shelter during either the 2020 or 2021 Carson Christmas Community Event pending liability insurance, seconded by Graves - 5 ayes.

Grant Anderson with MAPA gave the city council an update on the downtown façade project and the need for Resolution 2020-18. Houser made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-18 (Authorize Pottawattamie County to Assume Bid Letting and Contracting for Downtown Revitalization Construction Activities on Behalf of the City), seconded by Graves - Roll Call 5 ayes: Pilling, Brandon, Houser, Graves, Richardson. Motion carried.

Mayor Todd provided updates on City COVID 19 reopening plans and considerations. Mayor Todd reported that employee evaluations have been completed and that he recommends a 3% increase.

Graves made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-19 (Approve Setting Employee Wages 3% increases), seconded by Richardson - Roll Call 5 ayes: Pilling, Brandon, Houser, Graves, Richardson. Motion carried.

Graves made a motion to approve a Community Center COVID 19 Waiver Form for Renters to remain in place until the board decides to withdraw the need for the form, seconded by Houser - 5 ayes.

Gordon provided plant and well level reports as well as the annual leak detection report which shows a water leak in the area of the Methodist Church. Gordon stated they will be purchasing a new valve to repair the leak. Gordon stated he will be gathering quotes for Leak Detection Contract Services.

Administrator Clerk Duede informed the Council that there is a CDBG Grant opportunity for downtown upper story housing conversion. Houser made a motion to direct Duede to inquire with downtown property owners that have upper story to see if there is interest in this opportunity or not, seconded by Richardson - 5 ayes.

Duede reported check #22114, \$1,639.85 from 5/11/20 to Jefferson Tire and Auto had not been received nor cleared the bank, Jefferson's are requesting a replacement check/payment. Houser made a motion to approve sending a replacement check to Jefferson's, seconded by Pilling - 5 ayes.

Council reviewed the Municipal Infraction Report & Abatement Status. Brandon made a motion to order a municipal infraction to be served for the junk and junk vehicles at 559 High Street, seconded by Pilling - 5 ayes.

Pilling made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Brandon - 5 ayes.

The consent agenda consisted of May 11, 2020 Minutes, June Bills, Utility Reports, Municipal Infraction Report, Community Center Report, Fire Department Report, Overtime Report, Sheriff's Report, Swimming Pool Permit Report, Clerk & Treasurer Reports, Approve Building Permit, & Animal Control Report.

Mayor Todd reported progress on the pickleball court, and also reported there had not been a response from the IDOT for the request to reduce the speed limit adjacent to the Tibbles Subdivision.

Houser made a motion to approve adjournment at 8:10 PM, seconded by Graves - 5 ayes.

Tim Todd, Mayor

Attest: Brianne Duede, City Administrator/Clerk

**City of Carson April 2020 Revenue:** General \$84,704.64. Road Use \$9,456.65. TIF \$41,612.90. Debt Service \$63,101.12. Water \$11,399.97. Sewer \$12,999.83. Garbage \$5,654.88. Total Revenue \$228,929.99. **April 2020 Expenses:** General \$39,966.51. Roads \$4,084.59. Water \$7,459.89. Sewer \$8,586.56. Garbage \$6,124.93. Total Expenses \$66,222.48.