OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS June 28, 2022

A Regular Session of the Board of Commissioners was held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, in the City Commission Room, located in the Law Enforcement Center, 201 North Pine, with Mayor Cheryl Brooks presiding and the following members present: Stu Hite, Chuck Munsell, and Ron Seglie. Commissioner Dawn McNay participated by phone.

Mayor Brooks led the flag salute.

INVOCATION - Father Jerome Spexarth, on behalf of Our Lady of Lourdes, provided an invocation.

PUBLIC INPUT -

COMMUNICATIONS TOWER - Alissa Dungan, 402 Thomas, spoke in support of the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to deny the request for the construction of a communications tower at 401 Thomas.

COMMUNICATIONS TOWER - Billie Newlin, 401 Thomas, spoke in opposition to the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to deny the request for the construction of a communications tower on her property.

COMMUNICATIONS TOWER - Shaun Hemsted, on behalf of GSS, Inc., and representing UScellular, stated that the letter from the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals denying the request for the construction of a communications tower at 401 Thomas did not include the reason for the denial, which is required by Federal statute. He discussed possible reasons for the decision of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to deny the tower request including a 21" force main in the vicinity of the proposed tower, visual impact, property values, and radio frequency.

COMMUNICATIONS TOWER - Justin Dungan, 402 Thomas, spoke in support of the recommendation of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to deny the request for the construction of a communications tower at 401 Thomas.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On motion of Munsell, seconded by Seglie, the Governing Body approved the June 14, 2022, City Commission Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE — On motion of Munsell, seconded by Seglie, the Governing Body approved the application submitted by Harold Leroy Smith for a Cereal Malt Beverage License for the annual celebration to honor the life of Brandon Smith to be held at the Frisco Event Center (210 East 4th Street) from 5:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 30th, 2022, and authorized the City Clerk to issue the license. Motion carried.

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APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – On motion of Munsell, seconded by Seglie, the Governing Body approved the Appropriation Ordinance for the period ending June 28, 2022, subject to the release of HUD expenditures when funds are received with the following roll call vote: Yea: Brooks, Hite, McNay, Munsell and Seglie. Motion carried.

Mayor Brooks announced that Commissioner McNay is participating in the meeting by phone.

TENANT BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE GRANT APPLICATION – On motion of Hite, seconded by McNay, the Governing Body approved staff request to submit an application to the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation's (KHRC) Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) program for a grant in the amount of \$100,000 to be used to provide security deposit assistance to income eligible households and authorized the Mayor to sign the appropriate documents on behalf of the City. Motion carried.

Commissioner Munsell asked Director of Community Development and Housing Quentin Holmes to provide, at the next City Commission Meeting, the number of TBRA tenants who, in the previous year, have moved to Section 8 programs or self-sufficiency, and a description of the other methods to be used to measure success of the TBRA program.

PUBLIC HEARING – Following a Public Hearing, on motion of Munsell, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body denied the appeal submitted by Joe Newlin, and confirmed the decision of the Planning Commission/Board of Zoning Appeals to not approve Mr. Newlin's Petition for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a communications tower at 401 Thomas, due to the residential zoning of the proposed tower location. Motion carried.

Mr. Hemsted continued his presentation from the Public Input portion of the meeting addressing traffic, flood zone, and radio frequency concerns.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT - Director of Economic Development Blake Benson, and Pittsburg State University Director of External Engagement Chad Mishmash, presented the quarterly Economic Development Report.

IMAGINE PITTSBURG/DEVELOP PITTSBURG REQUEST – On motion of Seglie, seconded by Hite, the Governing Body approved the recommendation of the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) to allocate \$150,000 from the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) for start-up costs that would allow Imagine Pittsburg to establish "Develop Pittsburg", a new Community Development Corporation (CDC), to support development projects in our community. Motion carried.

Ron Scripsick and Mat Burton provided information supporting the establishment of the Develop Pittsburg Community Development Corporation.

4th OF JULY FIREWORKS DISPLAY CONTRACT – On motion of Seglie, seconded by Munsell, the Governing Body authorized the expenditure of City funds in the amount of \$18,700 for the annual 4th of July fireworks show to be provided by J and M Displays, Inc. Motion carried.

NON-AGENDA REPORTS AND REQUESTS -

LARGE ITEM PICK-UP – Director of Public Works and Utilities Matt Bacon announced that a city-wide large item pick-up program, to include mattresses and furniture, will begin on July 18th, 2022. City residents may use the SeeClickFix app or call the City Hall to register for the program.

EAST QUINCY STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PUBLIC MEETING — Mr. Bacon announced that a public meeting regarding the East Quincy Street Reconstruction Project will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 7th, 2022, at the PittNaz Church, located at 816 East Quincy.

4th STREET OVERPASS – Commissioner Hite inquired as to the status of the 4th Street Overpass Project. Mr. Bacon stated that KDOT has indicated that they hope to have the project complete by the end of July.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Seglie, seconded by McNay, the Governing Body adjourned the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Cheryl L. Brooks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tammy Nagel, City Clerk

