

A regular meeting of the City Council for the City of Fairfax, Minnesota was held on April 13th, 2021 at 7:00pm in the Community Center at 300 Park Street South.

Members: Brad Augustin, Steve Schmidt, Josh Bunkers, Brad Bastian, Jared Firle

Absent: None

Visitors: Nicholas Johnson, City Administrator
Joel Grejtak, Utilities Superintendent
Scott Froehlich, Chief of Police
Aaron Walton, City Attorney
Denise Bonsack, Standard Gazette & Messenger
Derek Carlson
Brenda Garcia,
Joe Vos

The meeting was called to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Bunkers and seconded by Bastian to approve the agenda with the addition. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The consent agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Schmidt and seconded by Bunkers to approve the consent agenda. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approval of Consent Agenda
2. Consider Approval of Minutes
 - a. March 9th, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes
3. Consider Approval of Claims for Payment
4. Consider Approval of Dayz of Thunder Parade Route
5. Consider Approval of POST Board Sexual Assault Investigation Policy for the Police Department
6. Consider Approval of POST Board Use of Force Policy for the Police Department
7. Consider Approval of POST Board Use of Force Learning Objectives Policy for the Police Department

A motion was made by Bunkers and seconded by Schmidt to open the public hearing on proposed Ordinance 430 amending the zoning ordinance. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

There were no attendees for the public hearing. A motion was made by Bunkers and seconded by Schmidt to close the public hearing. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed Ordinance 430, an ordinance amending City Code 260 regulating accessory structures. A motion was made by Bastian and seconded by Schmidt to adopt Ordinance 430. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

City of Fairfax

Ordinance 430

An Ordinance Amending City Code 260 – Zoning Regulating Accessory Structures

WHEREAS, the City has adopted Zoning Regulations codified in City Code 260;

WHEREAS, the City desires to amend the Zoning Code regulating accessory structures in Residential Districts under 260-13, Subsection B (2);

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF FAIRFAX ORDAINS:

City Code Chapter 260-13, Subsection B (2) (f) is hereby repealed.

City Code Chapter 260-13, Subsection B (2) is amended to include the following language:

(f) Accessory Building Regulations:

- No more than three accessory structures are allowed on a lot.
- The maximum allowable square footage of all accessory structures, when combined, on a lot is 20% of the lot size up to 1,600 square feet.

(g) No accessory structure is allowed on a lot without a primary structure.

(h) Accessory structures must be similar in appearance to the primary structure.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Fairfax on this 13th day of April, 2021.

Attest:

Mayor

City Administrator

The Council reviewed an engineering agreement with SEH for the 2021 seal coating project. The lump sum cost is \$1,500.00. A motion was made by Schmidt and seconded by Bunkers to approve the agreement. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed the proposed 2021 seal coating project area. The project area includes streets north of Highway 19 bounded by Park Street North and 4th Street Northeast; as well as 3th Avenue Northwest. A motion was made by Bastian and seconded by Bunkers to approve the 2021 seal coating project area. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

The Council reviewed a quote from C&C Contracting out of Hutchinson to perform street striping in 2021. The street striping area includes Park Street South, 1st Street Southeast, 1st Avenue Southwest, and 2nd Avenue Southwest in the downtown area. The quote amount is \$9,620. A motion was made by Bunkers and seconded by Bastian to approve the quote. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Nicholas Johnson presented a proposal from USDI to transition natural gas training and engineering services. The City currently utilizes MMUA and their natural gas training program in the amount of \$7,000 per year. The training provided is limited to generic online training as well as two days of MNOPS inspection assistance. The USDI proposal would have an initial start-up cost of \$5,600 with an annual cost of \$9,300 thereafter. USDI would provide several customized and higher value training opportunities above and beyond what MMUA currently offers. A motion was made by Bastian and seconded by Bunkers to approve the USDI natural gas training and engineering contract. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Staff reports and financial information was received.

A motion was made by Bastian and seconded by Firlie to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Attest:

Mayor

City Administrator