

# VIRGINIA CITY COUNCIL

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

**CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA, August 28, 2018**

Regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia, Minnesota, was called to order by Mayor Cuffe Jr. at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, City Hall.

Present: Councillor Baribeau, Friedlieb, Paulsen, Jorgensen, Johnson, Baranzelli  
Mayor Cuffe, Jr. (7)

Absent: None

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the consent agenda as follows:

1. Approval/correction of minutes of Regular Meeting held August 15, 2018
2. Adoption of Finance Resolution No. 18-016 Schedule of Bills.
3. Approve the 2:00 a.m. liquor license for KayKor Inc. D/B/A Mels Sportspage Bar & Snickers Pizza
4. Approve the Travel Request for Jaclyn Braiedy, Police Department, to attend the Leadership and Tactics for the Female Officer September 4-6, 2018 in St Paul MN cost of \$524.00
5. Approve the sale of surplus equipment

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Johnson to approve the transfer of City property to Michael R. Vidmar, Lot 6 and the East 9 feet of Lot 7, Block 76, Second Addition to Virginia for final approval to be held at the September 11, 2018 Council meeting. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt Resolution 18120 approving the issuance of healthcare facilities revenue bonds by the Duluth EDA to refinance a project located in the City. Resolution adopted unanimously

Moved by Councillor Baranzelli, supported by Councillor Baribeau to appoint Kevin Poffs as an alternate to the Northeast Minnesota Emergency Communications Board. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to adopt a Resolution 18121 authorizing the execution of the grant agreement with the US Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration for the Eveleth-Virginia Municipal Airport. Resolution adopted unanimously.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole from the meeting held on August 21, 2018

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve participation in the IRRRB Residential Demolition program for the demolition of 314 7<sup>th</sup> Street South. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to allow the barricading of the 100 block of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street South alleys and part of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue West near 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street South for the car/truck/bike show on September 8, 2018. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to advertise the “Walk to Remember” for Alzheimer’s Awareness on the City’s social media and City website. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to *decline* the purchase of the building located at 205 Chestnut Street (Parcel ID #090-0010-03820) and to inform the adjacent owner that the property it is for sale. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Paulsen to adopt the Resolution 18122 for the continuation of the rental lease with the Sexual Assault Program for the office space located at City Hall for another three year term. Motion Carried.

Council directed the Engineering Department to review placing a handicap parking place on the south side of the 500 Block of Chestnut Street and to bring back to Council for discussion.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the quote from SEH for Wetland Delineation on 8<sup>th</sup> Street South in the amount of \$7,900. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baribeau to *rescind* the motion to decline the CDBG funding on the recommendation of the City Administrator. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to authorize the creation of the

position of Administrative Assistant/Accounting Clerk I. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Friedlieb to approve the request to post the position of Park & Recreation Director. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Baribeau, supported by Councillor Johnson to approve the 2019 Coalition of Greater MN Cities (CGMC) dues in the amount of \$13,833. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve the \$2,980 for the Coalition of Greater MN Cities (CGMC) Assessment for the Environmental Action Fund. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve the 2019 budget request from the Mesabi Symphony Orchestra for a \$5,000. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Baribeau to adopt Resolution 18122 for the intent to levy for Economic Development Authority (VEDA) and set a public hearing. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Friedlieb, supported by Councillor Baranzelli to approve hiring of up to three (3) single role EMT's or Paramedics for the Virginia Ambulance Service. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the updates to the Data Practices Policies as recommended by the City Administrator. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Paulsen, supported by Councillor Johnson to adopt Resolution 18124 for the City of Virginia Revised Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Resolution adopted unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Jorgensen to authorize the City Administrator to review the change order modifications by Gardner Builders for the water line replacement at Olcott Fountain. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Jorgensen, supported by Councillor Paulsen to approve the additional funding of \$18,000 of VEDA funds to be allocated for the 118 Chestnut Street Renovation. Motion Carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, supported by Councillor Baribeau to approve the quote from Rapid Rooter for the sanitary sewer cleaning and televising for 1,800 LF of 8" VCP sanitary sewer in Midway in the

amount of \$5,150.00. Motion Carried.

COMMISSION LIAISON/DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Councillor Johnson commented on the Mesabi Community College picnic. There were over 100 students in attendance. It was a good day and there was a lot of community support for the students. In the future there will be meals available for the students that move into college in early August. Councillor Friedlieb thanked the Human Rights Commission for organizing the event.

Councillor Baribeau attended the VPUC meeting. The gas conversion is ahead of schedule and over 400 people have applied for conversions. Mayor Cuffe, Jr. suggested that Greg French from the VPUC attend the City Council meeting to give an update on the project.

Councillor Jorgensen gave an update on the Brewfest. It was a very successful event and he thanked the Olcott Fountain Committee and the Brewfest Committee for a great job. This will continue to be an annual event. Councillor Jorgensen noted that the Olcott Fountain should be flowing mid to late September.

Councillor Paulsen gave an update on the academy style based learning program in three school districts. There have been collaboration meetings with Eveleth, Virginia and Gilbert schools.

Mayor Cuffe, Jr. informed the Council and residents that a meeting is held regarding the Miners Memorial building every Monday at 6 p.m. at the Virginia Senior Center to inform the general public on the sales tax referendum. The meetings are open to the public and the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Virginia Senior Center. . Krause Anderson will be developing a brochure to be presented to the public to help explain the sales tax implementation.

Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.to Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.in the Council Chambers.

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

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Larry Cuffe, Jr., Mayor

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Pamela LaBine, City Clerk