

January 9, 2023

A regular meeting of the Alta City Council was held on the above date. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Kevin Walsh, with the following members present: Pam Henderson, Willie Lang, Les Mann, Desi Suter, and Tom Lane. Absent: none.

Lane moved, and Mann seconded, to approve the agenda, with all members voting aye. Motion carried. Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to approve the minutes from the Dec. 5 council meeting with all members voting aye. Motion carried.

At 6:02 PM, Mayor Walsh opened the Status of Funded Activities (SOFA) public hearing for the 2020 Alta Park and Open Space Improvements Project. The following announcements were read aloud: A. Funding of Activities and Sources of Funds. This program is funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. The City was awarded 2020 CDBG-CV (Covid) Funding for \$420,600. To date, \$117,230 of the CDBG allocation has been expended. There is a local obligation of \$55,000 committed towards project costs. To date, \$15,061 has been expended. B. Explain how the need for the activities was identified. The need for the project is due to a need to provide residents with a safe and reliable place to recreate outdoors including providing safe places during pandemics such as during the recent Covid events over the past couple of years. C. Nature of and Status of the Activities. The nature of the project involves the construction of recreational activities that are focused on limited spread of communicable diseases including disc golf, bags, table tennis, and playground area that is constructed in pods to help provide socially distance play areas. Additionally, a hard surfaced trail with fitness stations will be constructed to provide adult recreation and wellness activities. Safetyfirst Specialty Contracting and Smith Concrete Service Inc., are the prime contractors for the work on the project. Work on the project is approximately 48% complete. There has been no change to the project beneficiaries as proposed in the application submitted to State for funding. D. Announce the estimated portion of funds that will benefit low-and-moderate income persons. The project will result in a citywide benefit and based on results from a survey conducted by the City in May 2021, 56.08% of the residents living in the City who will be impacted by the project are of low-and-moderate income. E. Announce where the activities are being conducted. The program is taking place at the City's park located south of E. 7th Street in the City of Alta, Iowa. F. Announce plans to minimize displacement of persons and businesses resulting of funded activities. The program will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses. G. Announce plans to assist persons actually displaced. Since this project will not result in the displacement or relocation of any persons or businesses, there are no plans being made to assist displaced persons. Mayor Walsh closed the public meeting at 6:06 pm.

Henderson moved, and Suter seconded, to approve pay request #1 to SafetyFirst for \$115,249.25. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to approve pay request #8 to Municipal Pipe for \$1,647.30. Motion carried with all members voting aye. During open forum, Vi Tilk, Clyde Bartel, and Jim Eaton approached the Council with concerns they have.

All departments provided a written report. Suter moved, and Man seconded, to approve Allen Brenner to the Alta Fire Department. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Lang moved, and Lane seconded, to approve Chris Knecht to the Alta Fire Department. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Suter moved, and Lang seconded, to approve Landon Vanderhoff to the Alta Fire Department. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Sheriff Elston presented to the City Council. He introduced the newest deputy, Carter Beckman. Henderson moved, and Mann seconded, to reduce the rent for the Alta Community Building by 50% for the Sheriff's Reserve fundraiser on Feb. 11, 2023. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Library Director Price told the Council the mobile hotspots are up and running, and she is

working on the details of the licensing to show movies at the Roxy Theater. Councilmember Suter asked Street Superintendent Pedersen how the street sweeper is working, and about the plant alarms. Some discussion took place about snow removal from sidewalks during the Code Officer report. Henderson moved, and Mann seconded, to approve the iworkQ contract for a software system for the Code Officer. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Kenny Bishop presented a report for the Westview Trailer Park. Mayor Walsh and Attorney Armstrong each gave their respective reports.

Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to forgive \$466.13 in sewer charges for Segrario Romero as she had a water leak at her trailer, but nothing went into the City sewer. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the 2nd reading of the ordinance amendment #23-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA, 2014 BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO SEWER SERVICE CHARGES. Motion carried by roll call vote: aye: Henderson, Lang, Mann, Suter, and Lane. Nay: none. The third and final reading will take place at the next Council meeting. Henderson moved, and Lane seconded, to approve ordinance #23-02 AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ALTA, IOWA, 2014 BY ADDING A STOP SIGN AT MAIN AND 10TH ST., and waiving the second and third readings. Motion carried by roll call vote: aye: Henderson, Lang, Mann, Suter and Lann. Nay: none. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded to approve Res. #23-01 APPROVING THE STORM LAKE TIMES PILOT AS THE OFFICIAL PUBLICATION FOR THE CITY OF ALTA. Motion carried with all members voting aye. Discussion took place regarding the new sidewalk replacement program. The new rate for 2023 is \$7.75/PLF. The Council gave preliminary approval for the Self-Employed Manager/Custodian contract for the Alta Community Building, as well as the ad. Clerk Peterson will have Attorney Armstrong approve the contract before being used. Henderson moved, and Lang seconded, to approve the Class E Retail Alcohol License for Kimmes Country Store. Motion carried with all members voting aye.

December Bills Payable:

GENERAL FUND:		AMOUNT
4 Seasons	service	80
AgState	fuel	568.66
Alliant Energy	utilities	35.77
Alta-Aurelia Comm. School	service	30.00
Alta Fireman's Assoc.	reimbursement	266.00
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	1302.12
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone/postage	339.82
Amazon	supplies	853.58
Bomgaars	supplies	44.96
Cardmember Services	supplies	396.88
Demco	supplies	272.30
Ed Feld Fire	supplies	1,188.00
Ericksen/Randy	reimbursement	490.00
Friedrich/Todd	reimbursement	350.00
Graham Tire	service	421.23
HyVee	supplies	19.99
ICCC	service	7,796.00
Ingram	supplies	891.54
Iowa OSHA	citation	18,000.00
ISG	service	6,278.88
Johnson/JoAnn	service	392.00
Meyer/Becky	reimbursement	315.00

Millard/Laurie	reimbursement	350.00
Neotek	contract	762.45
North Lake Truck Repair	supplies	475.02
Peterson/Megan	reimbursement	274.60
Pitney Bowes	supplies	138.24
Power Solutions	service	532.04
Reetz/Heidi	cleaning	100.00
Reetz/Kirk	reimbursement	531.24
SafetyFirst	supplies	115,249.25
Sanders/Jim	reimbursement	455.00
Secure Shred Solutions	service	20.00
Stange/John	reimbursement	30.13
Storm Lake Times Pilot	legals	483.71
Strand/Dave	service	4,700.00
Tailored Graphics	supplies	257.00
T.P. Anderson & Co.	service	4,000.00
The Iowan	subscription	24.00
USBank	contract	60.24
USPS	postage	1.88
Xerox	lease	118.38
Zone Home Entertainment	supplies	9,830.50
		<u>178,646.41</u>

ROAD USE TAX FUND:

AgState	fuel	2,121.71
Alliant Energy	utilities	461.87
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	997.29
Bomgaars	supplies	262.87
Builder's Sharpening	service	772.19
CCP	supplies	131.72
Theisen/Fred	reimbursement	345.79
		<u>5,093.44</u>

SEWER RENT FUND:

ACE Hardware	supplies	37.99
Alliant Energy	utilities	477.07
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	1,988.03
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	93.85
Foundation Analytical	testing	977.50
Hach	testing	582.48
NBS Calibrations	service	912.00
Rehab Systems	service	787.50
USDA	loan payment	12,686.00
		<u>18,504.43</u>

COMMUNITY BLDG FUND:

Alliant Energy	utilities	2,134.12
Alta Municipal Utilities	utilities	538.39
Alta Municipal Utilities	telephone	123.51
Bomgaars	supplies	9.99

B.V. County Env. Health	license	150.00
Ecolab	service	105.00
Hinners/Ben	bartending	161.57
Jacuinde/Yadira	bartending	108.69
Marshall/Kevin	bartending	99.88
Schubert/Carla	bartending	108.69
Strand/Dan	reimbursement	511.52
		4,051.36

SOLID WASTE FUND:

AgState	fuel	2,640.16
Rowley Recycle Center	useage	5,445.06
		8,085.22

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

ISG	service	27,724.65
Municipal Pipe	service	1,647.30
		29,371.95

PAYROLL

DECEMBER		30,786.12
	TOTAL =	274,538.93

DECEMBER REVENUE

General	29,337.17
Trees Forever	500.00
Playground	100.00
Community Building	4,962.00
Road Use	24,470.62
Employee Benefits	5,493.06
Emergency	723.51
Local Option Sales Tax	56,188.44
TIF	5,914.06
Debt Service	1,502.09
Inf. Savings	239,419.10
Housing Rehab	0.00
American Rescue Plan Act	0.00
Sewer Rent	29,404.01
Sewer - Short-lived assets	653.00
Sewer Reserve	1,269.00
Solid Waste	11,015.10
	410,951.16

After some questions, Lang moved to approve the December claims in the amount of \$274,538.93, seconded by Suter. Clerk Peterson gave a high level preview of the FY24 budget. Clerk Peterson will get the max spending levy ready. Henderson moved, and Suter seconded, to set the max spending levy public hearing for Feb. 6, 2023. Motion carried with all members voting aye. The budget workshop was scheduled for Jan. 25, at 4:30 pm in the Council Chambers. The next regular Council meeting will be Monday, Feb. 6, 2023. There being no further business, Lang moved to adjourn at 7:47 pm, seconded by Lane, and approved with all members voting aye.

Attest:

Megan Peterson, City Clerk

Kevin Walsh, Mayor