

REGULAR BROOKLYN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, May 11, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Brooklyn Park Council Chambers
Via Telephone
5200 85th Avenue North

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Jeffrey Lunde

PRESENT IN THE CHAMBERS: Mayor Jeffrey Lunde

VIA TELEPHONE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS: Council Members Tonja West-Hafner, Susan Pha, Terry Parks, Mark Mata, Wynfred Russell and Lisa Jacobson; City Manager Jay Stroebel; City Attorney Jim Thomson; Community Development Director Kim Berggren; Finance Director LaTonia Green; Operations and Maintenance Director Dan Ruiz; Police Chief Craig Enevoldsen; Fire Chief John Cunningham; and City Clerk Devin Montero.

ABSENT: None.

Mayor Lunde read a statement regarding the Council's telephone meeting.

Mayor Lunde opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2A RESPONSE TO PRIOR PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

2B PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

3A. MOTION LUNDE, SECOND PARKS TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

3A. THE VOTE ON THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: YES – MATA, PHA, WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, LUNDE; NO – NONE.

3B PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECEIPT OF GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS.

3B1 Preliminary 2019 Year-End General Fund Financial Results.

Finance Director LaTonia Green briefed the Council on the preliminary 2019 Year-End General Fund financial results. She briefed on the preliminary 2019 General Fund Budget Results: Revenue, Expenditures, General Fund Performance 2015-2019, and Other Funds.

Council Member Mata asked about the \$136,000 over in the supply budget and how did that happen.

Finance Director Green stated they had grants in the supplies budget. They received a JAG grant for the body worn cameras and would see an increase in grants and also see an increase in spending. She stated that dollar amount seemed like they were overspending on that line item because of the grant spending.

Council Member Mata asked if every time the city received grant money, were they going to

have that line item look odd. He asked what the number would be if he changed the dollar value by what the grant was.

Finance Director Green stated the line item would not look odd because she was getting better on how they handled the grants. She stated that was why the Council was now starting to see grants come to the Council quarterly for their approval of the grants, and the budget would see an increase in revenues, an increase in expenditures, and would see an increase in the amended budget going forward. She stated the Operations and Maintenance Director came to the Council and requested and indicated they might be overspending on the salt budget in 2019 and that did happen in 2019.

4.0 MOTION LUNDE, SECOND WEST-HAFNER TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS:

4.1 TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-71 APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR CIP NO. 4002-18, 2018 MUNICIPAL STATE AID (MSA) MILL AND OVERLAY.

4.2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2019, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.2 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK RECONVENED BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2020, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.0 THE VOTE ON THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: YES – PHA, WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, MATA, LUNDE; NO – NONE.

5.1 Public Hearing to Solicit Testimony and Approve the Currency Exchange License for SB Financial Corp dba EZCash USA, Located at 6319 Zane Avenue North.

Rental and Business Licensing Manager Keith Jullie briefed the Council on the Currency Exchange License for SB Financial Corp dba EZCash USA, Located at 6319 Zane Avenue North.

5.1 Mayor Lunde opened the public hearing to consider the Currency Exchange License for SB Financial Corp dba EZCash USA, Located at 6319 Zane Avenue North.

The following individuals addressed the Council: None.

5.1 Mayor Lunde closed the public hearing and returned the item back to the table for consideration.

5.1 MOTION LUNDE, SECOND WEST-HAFNER TO SOLICIT TESTIMONY AND APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF THE CURRENCY EXCHANGE LICENSE FOR SB FINANCIAL CORP DBA EZCASH USA, LOCATED AT 6319 ZANE AVENUE NORTH.

5.1 THE VOTE ON THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: YES – WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, MATA, PHA, LUNDE; NO – NONE.

9A COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Lunde stated he signed letters that would be sent to the key legislators and the Council would get a copy of the letter being sent out. He stated the legislators were coming to the end of the session and had completely changed because of COVID-19. He stated the city still had bonding requests and would be speaking to the Council Members to try to see if they could call legislators and make sure they did their best efforts as things continued. He stated bonding bills provided jobs when the city was provided money to get construction done. He stated they were continuing to work on behalf of the multiple projects that were in the Council's legislative agenda.

Council Member Mata stated there was a survey the city was going to send out to the public and asked if the Council would be able to review the questions before it went out. He thought some of the data they collected didn't make sense and didn't know why they were collecting it. He stated the other data collected made a lot of sense and thought they had to ask the questions differently.

9B CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Stroebel stated he ask Community Engagement Manager Shardlow, who was heading up the development of the survey, where they were with the survey. He stated it was a second survey to be sent out with the hope of getting responses back and would be providing that information to the Council at the June 1 work session. He stated after that there would be a June 4 virtual community meeting being responsive to the issues and ideas that might be coming out of the survey.

He stated the Mayor covered the legislative push and it was unknown if they would have a special session or not for some of the legislative initiatives. He stated this Sunday and Monday were the last days of the session and they were with legislators, other key lobbyists, and others to advance some of the city's projects.

Mayor Lunde stated he had a number of residents contact him to help with DEED, where their furloughs ran out and were being laid off or their position terminated. He stated there were a lot of disconnects happening when people called the help line to get help on changing their current application for unemployment. He stated some people waited hours and then got disconnected and happened dozens of times. He stated he had been working with Senator Hoffman and Representative Nelson and asked residents to contact the legislators to voice their opinions on that.

Council Member West-Hafner asked for an update on the Fire Relief Association.

City Manager Stroebel stated that was one of the priority areas the Council adopted and one of the areas they were working on with Representative Nelson who was helping move the item toward adoption. He stated it was unclear if there would be a pension bill and Representative

Nelson and Speaker Hortman were aware of the importance of that item for the city. He stated they would see by the end of legislative session if it advances or not.

ADJOURNMENT – With consensus of the Council, Mayor Lunde adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

JEFFREY JONEAL LUNDE, MAYOR

DEVIN MONTERO, CITY CLERK