

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA

Regular Meeting – July 1, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Monday, July 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Albrecht presiding.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Albrecht, Meehlhause, Beard, Johnson, Rivera, Erickson, Thompson.

Staff Present: City Manager Nate Mathews, City Attorney Alan Felix, Finance Director Ron Eischens, Public Works Director/City Engineer Craig Gray, Parks & Recreation Director Marcia Larson, Community Development Director Steven Jones, City Clerk Michelle Miller

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

Mayor Albrecht called for any amendments to the agenda. **Motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Thompson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

MINUTES

The following minutes were presented for approval:

Work Session:	June 4, 2019
BEDA Meeting:	June 17, 2019
Council Meeting:	June 17, 2019

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Beard, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

Rivera requested that the Enhanced Brokerage Services Agreement be pulled for discussion. The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval. **Motion by Thompson, seconded by Erickson, to approve the Consent Agenda items as follows:**

1. Claims Submitted by Finance Officer in the amount of \$1,172,935.40
2. Claims Submitted by VenuWorks for the Sanford Center in the amount of \$23,565.26
3. General Business License Approvals for 2019
4. Approve Special Event Permit for Sanford Health (Amplified Sound)
5. Approve Special Event Permit for BHS Cross Country (5k/10k)
6. **RESOLUTION NO. 6232:** Approving Temporary Off-Premises Liquor Permit to Buffalo Wild Wings
7. Approve Change Order No. 3 – City Liquor Store – City Project 17-13

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

CITIZENS NOT ON AGENDA

Tiffany Vikaryous Hubbard, Executive Director of the Sanford Center, introduced herself as she begins her new role at the Sanford Center.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Resolution Supporting Grant Application to Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), Committing Local Match and Authorizing Contract Signature (Railroad Corridor)

Mathews stated that as the City moves forward with the St. Paul Port Authority and the redevelopment of the Railroad Corridor, the next step is to submit a grant application to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funds to assist in the initial redevelopment work, including acquisition, demolition and infrastructure improvements. The grant will be requesting \$1,000,000 which would require a 50% (\$500,000) match by the City. Steven Jones believes the establishment of a TIF district on the site could be used as matching dollars for this grant.

RESOLUTION NO. 6233: Supporting a Grant Application to Department of Employment and Economic Development, Committing Local Match and Authorizing Contract Signature was offered by Councilmember Meehlhause, who moved its adoption, and upon due second by Councilmember Thompson was passed by the following vote:

