

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the City Council for the City of St. Joseph met in regular session on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 6:00 PM in the St. Joseph Government Center.

Members Present: Mayor Rick Schultz. Councilors Brian Theisen, Kelly Beniek

City Representatives Present: Administrator Therese Haffner, City Clerk Kayla Klein, Finance Director Lori Bartlett, Community Development Director Nate Keller, Public Works Superintendent Ryan Wensmann, Police Chief Dwight Pfannenstien

Approve Agenda: **Theisen made a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Beniek and passed unanimously.**

Consent Agenda: **Theisen made a motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Beniek and passed unanimously.**

- a. Minutes – **Requested Action:** Approve the minutes of February 1, 2021.
- b. Financial Report – **Requested Action:** Approve the financial report as presented.
- c. Explore MN Grant Acceptance – **Requested Action:** Accept the Explore MN Phase II Crisis Marketing Grant in the amount of \$1,250.00.
- d. Performance Measurement Survey Results – **Requested Action:** Execute Resolution 2021-009 Accepting St. Joseph's Performance Measure Results and Report Results to the State Auditor.
- e. POST Eyewitness Identification Policy – **Requested Action:** Adopt the model policy as recommended by the MN POST Board.
- f. Parklet – **Requested Action:** Approve parklet location in front of Local Blend (two parking spaces) for the 2021 season.
- g. Defeasance of Outstanding Debt – **Requested Action:** Execute Resolution 2021-010 Providing for the Defeasance of Outstanding GO Taxable Abatement Bonds, Series 2015B and Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement.

Newsletter Update: Klein presented a change to the newsletter that staff has been working on for quite some time. The city would partner with Rengel Printing to create two newsletters a year. The booklet would be sent to all households with 56374 as their zip code which includes all units within apartment buildings. As part of the partnership, Rengel would sell advertisement that would allow the publication to pay for itself.

Schultz and Beniek expressed concern about going from having 6 publications a year to two.

General consensus was to have staff gather additional options for what can be done with the newsletter including publication frequency and potentially having the city contribute more to the cost.

Department Reports: Administration, Community Development, Finance, Public Works, and Police departments presented their monthly reports to the council.

Closed Meeting: **Schultz made a motion for the council to enter into closed session pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05, Subd. 3 to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the sale of apportion of PID 84.53457.0005; seconded by Theisen and passed unanimously.**

After reconvening the regular meeting, Schultz made a motion to waive the lease payments for Little Saints Academy from February 15, 2021 to March 31, 2021; seconded by Theisen and passed unanimously.

Adjourn: **Schultz made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 PM; seconded by Theisen and passed unanimously.**


Kayla Klein
City Clerk