

BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS

DECEMBER 5, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.

The Board of City Commissioners of the City of Shawnee, County of Pottawatomie, State of Oklahoma, met in Regular Session in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 16 West 9th Street, Shawnee, Oklahoma on, Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., pursuant to notice duly posted as prescribed by law at 5:19 p.m. on December 1, 2022. Mayor Bolt presided and called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following members were in attendance.

Ed Bolt
Mayor

Daniel Matthews
Commissioner Ward 1

Cami Engles
Commissioner Ward 2

Travis Flood
Commissioner Ward 3

Darren Rutherford
Commissioner Ward 4-Vice Mayor

Mark Sehorn
Commissioner Ward 5

Lauren Richter
Commissioner Ward 6

ABSENT: None

INVOCATION

Pastor David Henry
Higher Ground Church

FLAG SALUTE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1:

Citizens Participation
(A three-minute limit per person)
(A twelve-minute limit per topic)

Ms. Kay Wheeler gave her speaking time to Mr. Rob Morris.
Mr. Mike Little, Mr. Rob Morris, Mr. Rick Young, Ms. Edwina Butler-Wolfe, and Ms. Shelley Byrd spoke during Citizens Participation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2:

Consider approval of Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes from the November 21, 2022 regular meeting and the November 28, 2022 special call meeting.
- b. Authorize a right-of-way easement to be given to Canadian Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc. to serve an existing City Lake Lot Lease at the Shawnee Twin Lakes.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rutherford, seconded by Commissioner Flood, to approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 2(a-b). Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Rutherford, Flood, Bolt, Sehorn, Richter, Matthews, Engles

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3:

Presentation by Animal Control to present the Pet of the Week.

Animal Control Officer Theresa Touchet introduced Fluffernutter, a three-year-old spayed female canine.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4:

Consideration of an Agreement between the City of Shawnee and Freese and Nichols, Inc. for Engineering Services.

Mr. Seth Barkhimer, Director of Engineering, stated this would be the second of three general service agreements for the on-call engineering design services for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funded water distribution and wastewater collection project design.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sehorn, seconded by Commissioner Flood, to approve an Agreement between the City of Shawnee and Freese and Nichols, Inc. for Engineering Services. Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Sehorn, Flood, Bolt, Rutherford, Richter, Matthews, Engles

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5:

Consideration of a Task Order Number One in accordance with the agreement between the City of Shawnee and Freese and Nichols, Inc. for Water Systems Improvements along North Park Street.

Mr. Seth Barkhimer, Director of Engineering, stated this is the Task Order with Freese and Nichols, Inc. is for approximately two thousand seven hundred (2,700) linear feet of removal and replacement of water line. The Task Order totals One Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Forty Dollars (\$122,040.00).

A motion was made by Commissioner Matthews, seconded by Commissioner Engles, to approve a Task Order Number One in accordance with the agreement between the City of Shawnee and Freese and Nichols, Inc. for Water Systems Improvements along North Park Street. Motion carried 7-0.

AYE: Matthews, Engles, Flood, Bolt, Rutherford, Sehorn, Richter

NAY: None

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6:

Administrative Reports:

- a. Homelessness in the City of Shawnee – Joe Vorndran, City Attorney and Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, City Manager

Mr. Joe Vorndran, City Attorney, and Ms. Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, City Manager, gave a presentation on the homelessness issues in Shawnee, constitutional issues, and options moving forward. The Mayor and Commissioners asked questions and made comments after the presentation.

- b. Dunbar Heights Neighborhood “Rising” – Pastor Henry, and Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, City Manager, and Rian Harkins, Community Development Director

Pastor Henry, Ms. Andrea Weckmueller-Behringer, City Manager, and Mr. Rian Harkins, Community Development Director gave a presentation on Dunbar Heights Neighborhood “Rising.” Topics discussed included the history of the Dunbar Heights neighborhood, code enforcement, and the Love Your Block partnership between the Dunbar Heights neighborhood and the City. The Mayor and Commissioners asked questions and made comments after the presentation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7:

New Business (Any matter not known, or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the posting of the agenda.)

There was no New Business.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8:

Commissioners Comments

Commissioner Matthews commented regarding the Christmas parade, the Dunbar Heights Neighborhood, and the homelessness.

Commissioner Engles thanked everyone who came and stayed through the comments and thanked the Staff for the administrative reports. She commented regarding supporting downtown businesses, the homelessness, and the Love Your Block Program.

Commissioner Flood thanked staff and all the individuals who helped with the Christmas parade.

Vice Mayor Rutherford stated he appreciates Staff for the presentations and the Dunbar Heights community for attending tonight’s meeting.

Commissioner Sehorn commented regarding the homelessness, the Dunbar Heights Neighborhood presentation, and the Christmas parade.

Commissioner Richter thanked everyone who spoke during Citizens Participation and encouraged more to come.

Mayor Bolt commented regarding the Christmas parade, homelessness, and the Love Your Block Program. He thanked Staff for administrative reports.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9:

Adjournment

There being no further business to be considered, the meeting was adjourned by power of the Chair. (9:21 p.m.)



ATTEST:

Lisa Laszone
LISA LASYONE, CMC, CITY CLERK

Ed Bolt
ED BOLT, MAYOR