

# REGULAR SPOONER CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tues, Sept 1, 2015, 5:00 PM, City Hall

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER;
2. ROLL CALL; 8 present, 0 absent
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
4. PUBLIC COMMENTARY;  
No one at this time.
5. Mayor's Comments;  
950<sup>th</sup> are in Texas & everyone made it home safe. Unit has been moved to Superior. Dunn – someone is organizing displaying yellow ribbons. School is back in session, watch out for our children.
6. Approval of Agenda;  
Motion (Gabriel/Schluter) to approve agenda. PASSED.
7. CONSENT AGENDA:  
\*\*All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered routine & will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event item will be removed from the General Order of Business & considered at this point to agenda.
  - a) \*Accept Minutes from 8/4/15 Regular Council;
  - b) \*Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to Approve monthly payables Checks-37234-37341, 15080501-15080503, 15082101-15082105, 20150803-20150804, 20150820;
  - c) \*Accept Finance Committee Recommendation to approve Gary J. Cuskey, Krista Lyons-Hartwig & Patricia Parker as signatories on CDBG-RLF Checking Acct;
  - d) \*Accept Municipal Operations Recommendation to Approve Permits for Park Use;
    - Trinity Lutheran Church – Centennial Park Area 1 on 9/13/15
  - e) \*Accept Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to approve Street Closing Request Jack O Lantern Fest & Pumpkin Roll 10/10/15;
  - f) \* Accept Safety & License Committee Recommendation to Approve 2 Yrs Operators License – 9/1/15– 6/30/17 – Merideth J Schneider & Joann M Ferguson;Motion (Dohm/Coquillette) to approve items a through f on consent agenda. PASSED.
8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
  - a) Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to establish Policy for Oak Wilt Assistance;  
Council reviewed proposed Oak Wilt Policy. Municipal Operations Committee felt a policy was needed to address oak wilt within city. DNR recommends wood be covered in plastic when not in use. Consensus is to add cleaning of cutting tools before leaving infected area to policy.  
Motion (Dohm/Schluter) to adopt oak wilt policy as discussed. PASSED.
  - b) Resolution 15-18, 09/01/15 Fee Schedule;  
Marx – we discovered taxi cab license fees had changed, but were not updated on fee schedule. Also, need to clarify Park Use fee to include resident & non-resident.  
Motion (Stelzer/Reiter) to accept Resolution 15-18, Fee Schedule changes. PASSED.
  - c) Spark Grant Update;  
Reiter – no update, announcement will be in October.
  - d) Update on 2015 Street & Utility Projects;  
Marx – N Roundhouse Rd to Chandler Dr received last lift of blacktop. S Roundhouse Rd – piping is done. Franklin St – gravel is being placed. Elm St – Sanitary Sewer is done, storm sewer one block left. Hoping for at least one layer of blacktop done before freeze up.
9. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
  - a) Financial Report July 15;  
Motion (Schluter/Dohm) to accept July 15 financial report as printed. PASSED.
  - b) Chief's Report - incidents during Aug 15;  
Christman – Jack Pine Savage Days went well. Squad 303 is back in service. The dept continue to receive good feedback & support for K9 program. We received a \$5000 grant from NADI towards program. We continue to research K9 program, looking at St Paul for their dual purpose training program. Grant money was received to purchase more ballistic vests. Conducted a pedestrian/crosswalk safety initiative. Officers attended a Less Lethal Training session. There was a pursuit incident & other drug investigations are ongoing. Total cases & incidents 948.
  - c) BID Report;  
Dunn - Happy with flowers this year, will be purchasing more pots to place going towards USH 70. Happy with new garbage cans.
  - d) NWRPC Liaison Report;  
Dohm – loans are being paid off. There is 4 million dollars available for loans.
  - e) Library Liaison Report  
Reiter – New children's librarian is Angela Bodzislaw. Their gearing up for Jack-O-Lantern Fest on Oct 10<sup>th</sup>.
10. At this time council anticipates going into closed session as per state stat. 19.85(1)(e) in order to conduct specific public business, to wit: Consider Property Acquisition, for purpose of deliberating or negotiating purchasing of public properties, investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.  
Motion (Schluter/Gabriel) to go into closed session & allow Christman, Marx, Kohler, Lyons-Hartwig & Parker to stay; roll call: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays. PASSED.  
Butch Johnson has accepted our offer of \$90,000 for 302 Walnut St. Marx – reviewed the offer, city will write a check to Banana Abstract & they will disburse funds. Reiter – we're fixing problem & moving forward. Numbers will change because of penalties & will adjust accordingly. If we proceed with purchase, we need to demo dorm area.  
Roundhouse – Council discussed accepting Roundhouse, if environmental study is favorable. It needs a new roof & other unforeseen. Once we own Roundhouse, Drew Nussbaum is willing to work with us on a capital campaign. Environmental Study – DNR has assured us that there would be funds available to pay for clean-up.
11. At this time Chairman anticipates going into open session;  
Motion (Gabriel/Ortmann) to reconvene into open session. PASSED.
12. Property Planning & Development Recommendation to offer NW Sports Complex \$90,000 to purchase their property at 302 Walnut St (former dorm);  
Motion (Schluter/Ortmann) to make an offer of \$90,000 to NW Sports Complex to purchase their property at 302 Walnut St; Roll Call: 8 Ayes, 0 Nays. PASSED.
13. Property Planning & Development Recommendation to accept Roundhouse as a gift if environmental study is favorable;

Motion (Dunn/Gabriel) to accept the Roundhouse as a gift if environmental study is favorable; Discussion: Concern with taking property off tax roll, Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 1 Nay (Dohm). PASSED.

14. Adjournment;

Motion (Gabriel/Dohm) to adjourn. PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:  
Patricia Parker, City Clerk

Gary J Cuskey, Mayor