

CITY OF WACONIA
FEBRUARY 20, 2024

1) [CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL](#)

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Waconia was called to order by Mayor Waldron at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Nicole Waldron, Randy Sorensen, Steve Yetzer, Nick Gleason, and Jeff Grengs.

2) [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE](#)

3) [ADOPT AGENDA](#)

No changes to the agenda.

MOTION by Yetzer second by Grengs to adopt the agenda as published.

MOTION CARRIED

4) [VISITOR'S PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE](#)

5) [ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA](#)

5.1 Approve February 5, 2024 City Council Minutes

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[February 5, 2024 Council Minutes](#)

5.2 Approve February 20, 2024 Expenditures

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[Council List Expenditures 02-20-2024](#)

[Council List Expenditures - Regular 02-20-2024](#)

[Council List Expenditures - Purchasing Card. 02-20-2024](#)

5.3 Approve Rink Management Services Corporation Waconia Ice Arena
Expenditures Incurred January 2024

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[Waconia Ice Arena Bills Applied Payments Jan 2024](#)

- 5.4 Approve Rink Management Services Corporation Safari Island Community Center Expenditures Incurred January 2024

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[Safari Island - Bills Applied Payments Jan 2024](#)

- 5.5 Approve Kraus-Anderson Contractor Pay Request - New Fire Station

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[Fire Station Invoice #9 from Kraus Anderson](#)

- 5.6 Approve Kraus-Anderson Construction Pay Request #17 for the New Fire Station

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[Kraus-Anderson Construction Pay Request #17 Fire Station](#)

- 5.7 Approve Contractor Pay Request #12-Final - Waconia Parkway South Improvements

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[2024-02-06 WPS Payment #12 Final](#)

- 5.8 City Homes on 10th LLC Storm Water Reuse Agreement

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[Agreement for Storm Water Drainage and Reuse with City Homes on 10th LLC](#)

- 5.9 Adopt Resolution No. 2024-051 Technology Services Department Structure and Recruitment

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[Resolution No. 2024-051](#)

[Technology Services Manager Revised 2024](#)

[Technology Services Technician Revised 2024](#)

[Technology Services DDA Memo](#)

5.10 Adopt Resolution No. 2024-052 Hiring of Probationary Firefighters

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[Resolution No. 2024-052 Authorizing Hiring of Probationary Firefighters](#)

5.11 Adopt Resolution No. 2024-053 Approving a Special Event Permit - The Frunge

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[Resolution No. 2024-053 Approve Special Event and Noise Permit for The Frunge Event](#)

[Special Event Permit Application from Healing Hearts Connection](#)

[Frunge Site Plan](#)

Motion by Sorensen, second by Grengs to adopt the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

6) [COUNCIL BUSINESS](#)

6.1 New Officer Oath & Badge Pinning

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Fire Chief Justin Sorensen gave a brief introduction of the biannual election of officers which are on a four-year term beginning January 1, 2024, and ending January 1, 2028. Mike Dressel as Assistant Chief of Operations and Drew Gulden as Captain.

Fire Chief Justin Sorensen gave a brief introduction of the two new Fire Captains. Aaron Jurek and Matt McDougall were both promoted to the position of Captain.

Captain Jurek has over 20 years experience with various leadership positions. Captain Jurek will specialize in fire inspections and will be the Captain of Squad 3.

Captain McDougall has just over four years experience and was an instructor with the fire academy. He will be working with the assistant chief of training as a training captain.

Mayor Waldron conducted the official oath and swearing in of the new Captains. Both were presented with badges to formally recognize them as new Captains on the Waconia Fire Department.

6.2 Adopt Resolution No. 2024-054 Approving a Variance - 32 Vine Street North - Andrew Vasek

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[Resolution No. 2024-054 Approving Variance at 32 Vine Street North](#)

[Application & Narrative \(6 Pages\)](#)

[Public Hearing Notice - 32 Vine Street North \(1 Page\)](#)

[Historic Elevations \(2 Pages\)](#)

[Site Photos \(6 Pages\)](#)

[Existing & Proposed Elevations \(5 Pages\)](#)

[Existing & Proposed Site Plan \(3 Pages\)](#)

[Public Hearing Comment 01-24-2024](#)

Community Development Director Lane Braaten presented the Council with a variance application from Andrew Vasek requesting approval of a variance to construction a porch addition that would be located on the front portion of a principal structure at 32 Vine Street North. The modifications would result in encroachments into the 10-foot side yard setback required in the R-4 Mixed Residential District. The applicant is requesting the variance as it is necessary to restore the building closer to its historic condition. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval with a 4-0 vote.

Council Member Sorensen asked if there is any outside funding sources for this project as it is a historical building. Braaten stated not at this time and it would be up to the property owner to secure outside funding.

Council Member Yetzer asked the applicant/property owner if there are other projects for this property. Mr. Vasek stated that he purchased this property nine months ago and that is it a labor of love to restore this property--not a money source.

Motion by Yetzer second by Grengs to Adopt Resolution No. 2024-054 Approving a Variance – 32 Vine Street North – Andrew Vasek.

MOTION CARRIED

7) ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda

8) STAFF REPORTS

Community Development Director Braaten provided the Council with a staff report recapping 2023. The 2023 land use and summary and development report are on the website. He reviewed the number of permits, total construction values, number of 3-permits, e-permit construction values, new home units/units constructed per year, new home/townhomes units by development, and a housing unit summary.

Mayor Waldron thanked Lane and his team for putting together such a detailed report.

9) BOARD REPORTS

Council Member Sorensen: no reports

Council Member Yetzer: Attended the SW Corridor meeting:

- The 212 project is on schedule and fully funded. Work to start in July and is a two year project.
- 82 street project will be starting this year.
- Highway 5 is scheduled to start in 2025. This project does not have total funding
- A stop light will be installed at Minnewashta Parkway.
- A round about will be installed at the Dairy Queen and County Road 11
- A signal light a Bavaria and Rolling Acres Road

Council Member Gleason

Council Member Grengs

Mayor Waldron

10) ANNOUNCEMENTS

11) ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Work Session:

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS

Nicole Waldron, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Sue Schwalbe, Office Assistant