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FEBRUARY 7, 2022 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY :

Concrete Awards of Excellence for the downtown Streetscape project and for Bliss Pointe phase II infrastructure which were presented last week by the South Dakota Concrete Association were recognized.

A Proclamation recognizing February as Black History Month was read.

A special daily wine license for the South Dakota Shakespeare Festival for their Wine with Will fundraising event on Saturday, March 26, 2022 in the John A. Day Gallery within the Fine Arts building on the USD campus was approved.

The first reading of Ordinance 1456 to rezone 445 N. Plum Street from the R-4 Manufactured Housing District to the R-2 Residential District was approved. Second reading of the ordinance is on February 22, 2022.

The first reading of Ordinance 1454 to allow grain terminal, grain processing, and agribusiness as conditional uses in the Light Industrial District of the Joint Jurisdiction Zoning Area outside the city limits was approved. The first reading of Ordinance 1455 to allow telecommunications towers as a conditional use in the Agricultural District of the Joint Jurisdiction Zoning Area outside the city limits was approved. The second reading of these two ordinances will take place at a joint meeting of the City Council and Clay County Commission at a date to be determined.

The second reading of Ordinance 1453 was approved. This ordinance adjusts City Council ward boundaries based on the 2020 census population of 11,695. The only change in ward boundaries is that a two-block area bounded by E. Clark Street on the north, N. University Street on the west, E. Cedar Street on the south, and N. Pine Street on the east will move from the Central ward to the Northeast ward. All other existing City Council ward boundaries will remain the same.

The closing of Main Street from Prospect Street west through Ratingen Platz and Market Street as it abuts Ratingen Platz for the 2022 Thursdays on the Platz events was approved. The street closures are from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on the following Thursdays: July 7, July 14, July 21, July 28, August 4, August 11, August 18, and August 25, 2022.

A request to close N. Norbeck Street from the driveway of 1326 Lincoln Street south to the corner of Lincoln and N. Norbeck Street on Saturday, May 14, 2022 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm for a private gathering was tabled.

A request to close Kidder Street from Court Street west to the north-south alley between Court Street and Market Street on Saturday, March 26 from 9:00am to 6:00pm for the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Polar Plunge was approved.

A resolution to cap the Municipal Liquor Store Reserve fund at \$250,000 was approved.

Downtown Streetscape Project Change Order #2 in the amount of \$81,903.05 was approved.

Staff was authorized to obtain two temporary easements for reconstruction of the Vermillion River hike/bike path.

City Manager's Report:

The Planning and Zoning Commission is meeting on Monday, February 14, 2022 at 5:30 pm at Cit Hall. The agenda item is a discussion on adding dog kennels as a conditional use in the GB – General Business zoning district.

City offices will be closed on Monday, February 21, 2022 for the Presidents Day holiday. The next City Council meeting is on Tuesday, February 22, 2022.

The Tree Board meets on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 9:30am in the Powell Conference Room at City Hall.

Raffle notification: The USD Physical Therapy Association is selling raffle tickets at 1 ticket for \$10 or 3 for \$25. The winner will receive a whole hog butchered and processed. Value of the prize is \$400. Proceeds will be used to help fund a Physical Therapy Board Prep course that is not offered by the University.

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