



City Council
Meeting Briefing
April 6, 2020

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April 6, 2020 City Council Meeting Summary:

A proclamation recognizing April 24, 2020 as Arbor Day was read. The ReTree Vermillion program is taking place again this year. For \$25 a residential property owner can purchase a Northern Red Oak. Please contact Parks and Recreation for more information.

The transfer of a retail on-sale liquor license from BACT Group, LLC to Pizza Ranch at 912 N. Dakota Street was approved.

The City Council reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1413 and voted to keep the restrictions in place for at least the next 14 days or until an Emergency meeting is called. A copy of this ordinance and the related restrictions are available on the City's website.

City Engineer Jose Dominguez provided an update on the process to hire a consultant for the downtown Streetscape project. A scope of services will be presented at the April 20th meeting.

An agreement with Helms and Associates for professional services with the Airport hangar taxi lane reconstruction project which will take place later this year was approved.

An agreement to change the designation and maintenance of a sanitary sewer line from the City to Haan Development was approved. The line runs from N. Norbeck Street to 310 feet east in vacated Madison Street right-of-way and will only serve Haan Development properties.

A bid in the amount of \$10,045.60 to construct a street light project which will add three lights to W. Main Street west of Stanford Street was awarded to Todd's Electric Service.

City Manager's Report

There are currently several openings on City Boards or Commissions. Interested residents are asked to check the City's website for more information on the respective Board or Commission and to complete an Expression of Interest (EOI) form for one of the following openings:

- Historical Preservation Commission – 1 term expiring in August 2021; EOI due April 16
- Human Relations Commission -Two 3-year terms; One 1-year term; EOI due April 30
- Library Board of Trustees – Two 3-year terms; EOI due April 30

Residential curbside recycling is paused as of this week due to COVID-19. The recycling center is closed. Drop-off grass and leaf roll off containers have been placed in the Barstow parking lot just east of the skate park and in the street parking area along the Prentis Park ballfield.

Sanitary sewer rates are reviewed each April after the latest winter water usage is evaluated. A change in the sanitary sewer rate is not proposed for the May 2020 to April 2021 period.