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JULY 19, 2021 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

A first reading of Ordinance 1438, to rezone Lot 3 of the AMS Industrial Park, located North of 317th Street, from NRC-Natural Resource Conservation District to the HI-Heavy Industrial District was approved by the City Council.

The City Council reviewed and approved the covenants for the Bliss Pointe Phase 2 Addition Block 3, Lots 15-19 and Block 5, Lots 19-21. The covenants will require that houses bordering Stanford Street have two large trees planted in the backyard to offer protection from the wind and form a barrier to traffic.

A request from the University of South Dakota to close East Main Street from the Vermillion High School Parking lot to High Street and High Street from Main Street to West National Street for the Dakota Days parade on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 4 a.m. to 12 p.m. was approved by the City Council.

A street closure request for the Dakota Days Street Dance was approved by the Council for the date of Thursday, September 30, 2021. The event will close Kidder Street from Market Street to Court Street from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

The City Council approved a resolution authorizing the purchase of a new 2021 Cat 914 loader for the Landfill. The purchase of the new loader will include trading in the Landfill's existing 2012 Cat 914G loader.

Change Order No. 2 for the Highway 50 drainage improvement project was approved by the Council. The change order authorizes the installation of a new manhole, replaces bad soil for pipe stabilization, and temporary access to Over Drive.

The City Council approved the appointment of Greg Merrigan to an opening on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Greg will serve the remainder of the 5-year term that was vacated due to retirement. The term is set to expire in June 2022.

City Manager's Report:

One term on the BID #1 Business Improvement District Board for the hotel/motel lodging fee is available. The originating ordinance requires the individual to either own or manage a lodging facility. BID Board #1 will be meeting on Wednesday, July 21 at 3 p.m. in the Powell Conference room at City Hall.

The Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Company's Thursdays on the Platz are underway. The West City Hall parking lot and Center Street between Main Street and National Street will be closed on Thursdays from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the event. The event on July 29th will be sponsored by Vermillion Light and Power. Electric vehicles and energy efficient information will be available to the public.

The City Historic Preservation Commission is hosting a presentation by Bob Yapp entitled "Preservation Doesn't Cost-It Pays." The event will take place on Wednesday, July 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Coyote Twin Theater on Main Street.

An important piece of the Prentis Park Improvement project is nearing completion; much of the work on the arches at the NW and SE corners of Prentis Park is nearly finished. The project was a collaboration between the City and the Historic Preservation Commission to use as much as the existing brick as possible and replace the unsalvageable brick.

A large baseball tournament will be taking place at Prentis Field this weekend, as the VFW will be hosting its State 14U base tournament starting at 12 p.m. Friday and concluding on Sunday.

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