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JULY 20, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The first reading of Ordinance 1416 to amend the Bliss Pointe Planned Development zoning was approved. The amendment provides that single family homes are allowed in Area C and that limited motor vehicle sales, display, and rentals are a conditional use in Area D. Second reading of the Ordinance will take place at the August 3, 2020 City Council meeting.

Lindsey Jennewein was appointed and the oath of office completed for a one-year term as a Central Ward Council member. Kelsey Collier-Wise became the person elect for this position in March prior to being appointed Mayor in May. The appointment is for one-year. If needed, an election for the remaining three years of the term will be held in June 2021.

Modifications to the home rule charter submitted by the Home Rule Charter Committee at the July 6, 2020 meeting were reviewed. The Home Rule Charter Committee had met with the City Attorney since the presentation of their report and the draft Home Rule Charter at the July 6, 2020 City Council meeting. The updated Home Rule Charter is available on the City's website. The City Council accepted the Home Rule Charter and authorized placing the charter before the voters at the November 3, 2020 general election contingent upon county authorization for a joint election.

The retail on-sale liquor license for Leo's Sports Bar & Grill at 11 Market Street was transferred to include 7 Market Street subject to the Building Inspector issuing a certificate of occupancy following renovations of 7 Market Street.

Mark Sweeney was appointed to 3-year term on the Joint Powers Board. This Board provides recommendations regarding the landfill, recycling center, transfer station for the governing bodies in Vermillion and Yankton.

The request to close N. Pine Street from E. Cedar Street to the south end of the Alpha Phi property on Saturday, August 15, 2020 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm was approved. The request was from Alpha Phi as part of their bid day. This item was a date change as the City Council in March had approved the same closure for August 20, 2020. There is no longer a closure on August 20, 2020.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Please complete the 2020 census. It benefits Vermillion and Clay County and only takes ten minutes. You count here!

The Fire Department, Parks and Recreation Department and Water Department are sponsoring Fire Hydrant parties every Tuesday through July 28. The four locations and times are: Bluffs Golf Course at 1pm, Trinity Lutheran Church at 2pm, Hillside Church at 3pm, and the Armory parking lot at 4pm. Participants are asked to wear a sandal or shoe, practice social distancing, and only attend the Fire Hydrant party nearest their home.

Recycling trailers have been placed back out in the community. Please follow the directions placed on the trailers.

Reminder that Thursdays on the Platz take place every Thursday through August. West Main Street from the west line of the intersection with Court Street to the west end of Ratingne Platz and Market Street from West Main Street south through Ratingne Platz are closed from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm every Thursday.

Vermillion Light and Power in partnership with our supplemental power supplier Missouri River Energy Services are providing four LED bulbs for each residential meter at no cost. The free light bulbs will be provided during the final week of July. There will be multiple opportunities and ways for Vermillion Light and Power residential meter customers to pick up your four, free light bulbs. Details of the distribution are being finalized. Pickup details will be posted on the City's website, through social media, and print advertising.

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