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OCTOBER 5, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY:

The City Council reviewed Emergency Ordinance 1419 requiring signage at the entrance to buildings open to the public that states Face Masks expected. The City Council also reviewed the Emergency Resolution encouraging the use of face coverings or face masks. No changes were made to either document.

Vermillion Public School Superintendent Damon Alvey thanked the City Council for their support of the School Resource Officer program and other assistance provided by City staff.

A proclamation recognizing October 4-10, 2020 as Public Power Week was read.

Emergency Ordinances or Resolutions expire after 60 days. An Emergency Resolution encouraging the use of face coverings in buildings open to the public was adopted on August 11, 2020. This resolution will expire on October 10, 2020. The City Council adopted a new Emergency Resolution which is very similar to the August 11th Emergency Resolution. The new Emergency Resolution will become effective on October 11, 2020. The Emergency Resolution encourages the wearing of a face mask or face covering in buildings open to the public.

Emergency Ordinance 1419 was adopted and became effective on August 17, 2020. This ordinance will expire on October 16, 2020. The City Council approved the first reading of Emergency Ordinance 1422 to replace Emergency Ordinance 1419. The Emergency Ordinance would require the posting of a sign at the entrance to buildings open to the public which states that a face mask is expected per City Resolution. Second reading of Emergency Ordinance 1422 will be at the Monday, October 19, 2020 City Council meeting.

A resolution approving a 3.4% increase to the storm drainage fee collected via property taxes was approved. The increase will generate approximately \$8,875 of additional revenue across the City for storm drainage improvements.

A resolution to purchase three mowers from a national bid through Midwest Turf & Irrigation of Omaha, NE for the Bluffs Golf course was approved. As part of the purchase, three Bluffs Golf Course mowers will be traded-in to reduce the cost.

The purchase of four electric transformers from RESCO in the amount of \$48,843 was approved.

Acceptance of a bid to renovate the Missouri Valley Recycling Center on Crawford Road was tabled until the next meeting.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection is on Friday, October 16, 2020 from 2pm to 6pm at the Recycling Center, 840 N. Crawford Road. The cost is \$10 per vehicle.

City offices will be closed on Monday, October 12, 2020 for Native American Day.

On the November 3 General Election ballot is an item entitled City Question. The question is in regard to the adoption of a Home Rule Charter for the City of Vermillion. A Yes vote will adopt the Charter. A No vote will not have the Charter adopted. A copy of the entire proposed Home Rule Charter is available on the City's website under Latest Headlines.

The Historic Preservation Commission will meet on Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Two terms on the Business Improvement District #2 Board are expiring. Interested individuals are asked to submit an Expression of Interest form by 5pm on October 16. Anticipate that the City Council will make appointments on October 19.

Reminder that USD will host a concert featuring USD and VHS ensembles in Prentis Park on October 11, 2020 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. The rain date is Sunday, October 18 at the same time and location.