

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING, AUGUST 18, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Mike Kuhle with the following Council Members present: Amy Ernst, Chris Kielblock, Larry Janssen, Alaina Kolpin, Chad Cummings.

Staff present: Steve Robinson, City Administrator; Jason Brisson, Assistant City Administrator/Director of Economic Development; Hyunmyeong, Goo, Assistant Engineer; Mindy Eggers, City Clerk.

Others present: Julie Buntjer, The Globe; Marty Seifert, Flaherty & Hood P.A.; Jason Johnson, Darlene Macklin.

COALITION OF GREATER MINNESOTA CITIES (CGMC) PRESENTATION AND UPDATE

Marty Seifert from the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities provided an update to Council on the CGMC's priorities during the 2021 legislative session and the final outcome for each. Mr. Seifert said that childcare remains an important focus. He will be meeting with the Majority Leader this evening.

Council thanked Mr. Seifert for the update and Mr. Seifert thanked Council for the opportunity.

CRAILSHEIM COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

Jason Johnson and Darlene Macklin provided an update on the Crailsheim Committee. Next year will be the 75th Anniversary of the partnership and since a delegation cannot travel this year the committee is looking at helping host a delegation in 2022 in Worthington for the 75th Anniversary. Mr. Johnson said the committee is willing to help with expenses if the Convention & Visitors Bureau and City of Worthington are willing to help as well. Mr. Johnson said in the past the City has helped with the bussing. Darlene Macklin said she had talked to Reading Bus Line to get an estimate and as of right now would be anywhere from \$3,000.00 to \$7,500.00 depending on the number of busses needed. Mr. Johnson said that our relationship with Craisheim is the oldest sister city relationship in the country. The Crailsheim Committee is also exploring doing a sign that would explain the sculpture in Chautauqua Park, they would like to be able to unveil it during the visit.

Council Member Cummings said it is an important relationship and the city needs to be involved.

A motion was made by Council Member Cummings, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to authorize expenditures up to \$10,000.00.

PRAIRIE JUSTICE CENTER LAND ACQUISITION DISCUSSION

Steve Robinson, City Administrator, said the City and County are currently collaborating on a project that would be able to house impound cars for the Police and Sheriff's Departments. The land is on the north side of the airport and just outside the city limits. The land owner is willing to sell the 30 acres that fronts Highway 59. Mr. Robinson said the County would own the land and the same formula would be used that is used in the Prairie Justice Center agreement. The building would be built so it's expandable. Mr. Robinson said the City will make it's final payment of \$200,000.00 on the bond in February. The city would however, continue to budget the \$200,000.00 per year for any expenditures as this would not have an impact on the budget.

APPROVED FIELD HOUSE CHANGE ORDER

Mr. Robinsom said a change order has been submitted by Tri-State General Contracting for the field house project. The change order is an addition to:

- Provide and install liner panel on the interior walls of the Field House. This proposed liner panel will extend from the concrete floor to a height of eight feet.

Total change order \$20,627.37

The proposed change order has been reviewed and approved by our architect on the project. The proposed change order is an increase of \$20,627.37 increasing our total contract price to \$1,976,615.08.

A motion was made by Council Member Kolpin, seconded by Council Member Ernst and unanimously carried to approve the change order for the field house in the amount of \$20,627.37.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Council Member Kolpin, seconded by Council Member Kielblock and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 4:23 p.m.

Mindy L. Eggers MCMC
City Clerk