

## COON RAPIDS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2019

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### CALL TO ORDER

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The second regular meeting of the Coon Rapids City Council for the month of February was called to order by Mayor Jerry Koch at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 2019, in the Council Chambers.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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Mayor Koch led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL

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Members Present: Mayor Jerry Koch, Councilmembers Brad Greskowiak, Bill Kiecker, Wade Demmer, Brad Johnson, and Steve Wells

Members Absent: Councilmember Jennifer Geisler

### ADOPT AGENDA

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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS AMENDED REMOVING ITEM 1. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

### PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

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#### 1. GARY NERESON, PRESIDENT OF CROOKED LAKE AREA ASSOCIATION

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This item was removed from the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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#### 2. FEBRUARY 5, 2019, COUNCIL MEETING

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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WELLS, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, FOR APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 5, 2019, COUNCIL MEETING. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

### CONSENT AGENDA/INFORMATIONAL BUSINESS

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3. ADOPT RESOLUTION 19-33 REQUESTING ADVANCE OF STATE AID FUNDING FOR THE 2019 STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM
  4. ADOPT RESOLUTION 19-34 CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO VACATE STREET AND UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT FOLEY BOULEVARD/101<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE
  5. RECEIVE 2018 YEAR END GAMBLING EXPENDITURE REPORT
  6. RECEIVE LAWFUL GAMBLING REPORT AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO COMMUNITY STRENGTH FOUNDATION
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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, FOR APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

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7. HOLD PUBLIC AND ASSESSMENT HEARINGS, CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS 19-1(6A) ORDERING PROJECT AND 19-1(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked if this was a complete reconstruction project or a mill and overlay. Assistant City Engineer Hansen reported all streets within Street Improvement Project 19-1 would be resurfaced.

Mayor Koch opened and closed the public and assessment hearing at 7:21 p.m. since no one appeared to address the Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GRESKOWIAK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-1(6A) ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GRESKOWIAK, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-1(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. HOLD PUBLIC AND ASSESSMENT HEARINGS, CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS 19-2(6A) ORDERING PROJECT AND 19-2(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Johnson asked staff how mailboxes would be handled for residents living along Foley Boulevard. Assistant City Engineer Hansen explained on the west side of Foley Boulevard the concrete sidewalk and curb would remain unchanged. He stated on the east side a boulevard would be replicated and the mailboxes would be placed in this grassy area.

Councilmember Johnson questioned if it was the City's intention to maintain the boulevard along Foley Boulevard. Assistant City Engineer Hansen reported the boulevard maintenance responsibility would be the property owners.

Councilmember Demmer inquired who had been notified for this project. Assistant City Engineer Hansen commented the City had notified all property owners that were being assessed. He explained property owners with sidewalk and trail impacts would also be notified by the City very soon.

Mayor Koch opened the public and assessment hearing at 7:31 p.m.

Jim Bolena, 11604 Foley Boulevard, expressed concerns about this project. He commented on the sidewalks on the west side of the street and questioned if any of the segments would be replaced. Assistant City Engineer Hansen reported any damaged segments would be replaced.

Mr. Bulena expressed concern that the majority of the people who use Foley Boulevard, such as Andover residents, were not being assessed for this project. Public Works Director Himmer explained only people with driveways along Foley Boulevard were being assessed for this project. However, he stated gas tax dollars were available to assist with the expense of this project.

Karen Bulena, 11604 Foley Boulevard, stated she has lived on this street for the past 33 years. She expressed concern with the high traffic levels at Northdale and Foley Boulevard. She indicated she was almost hit at this intersection today. She encouraged the City to consider additional bump outs along Foley Boulevard towards Northdale.

Mayor Koch stated this would be an interesting conversation to have and for the City to review the accident reports for Foley Boulevard from the previous reconstruction.

Councilmember Johnson asked if Ms. Bulena believed the traffic situation along Foley Boulevard had improved since the previous reconstruction. Ms. Bulena indicated she believed the traffic situation had gotten much worse. She commented further on how dangerous the flow of traffic was from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. during evening peak traffic.

Dennis Strom, 187 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue, explained he believed the Egret intersection had improved, but discussed how backups occurred due to the fact the two major intersections were so close together.

Mayor Koch closed the public and assessment hearing at 7:40 p.m.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-2(6A) ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT. THE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-2(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.

Councilmember Demmer thanked the residents for coming forward and bringing their concerns to the Council. He explained these concerns would be taken into consideration for this project.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. HOLD PUBLIC AND ASSESSMENT HEARING, CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS 19-3(6A) ORDERING PROJECT AND 19-3(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked if the bids included sod reestablishment for the lawns. Assistant City Engineer Hansen reported this expense was included in the bid. He noted the contractor was responsible for watering the sod for 45 days and after that point it was the property owner's responsibility.

Mayor Koch opened the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Dennis Strom, 187 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented on the reconstruction of University Avenue and how school traffic was now flowing through his neighborhood. He questioned what assurance he had that he would not be reassessed in three or four years given the high level of school traffic in his neighborhood. Assistant City Engineer Hansen described the type of street that would be installed in this neighborhood and explained the mix design from MnDOT had been improved. He reported the City's roadways were designed to last 20 years.

Mayor Koch closed the public hearing at 7:51 p.m.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GRESKOWIAK, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-3(6A) ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GRESKOWIAK, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 19-3(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.

Councilmember Demmer questioned if traffic studies were completed to see if a different type of roadway should be installed. Assistant City Engineer Hansen reported all City streets were designed with 3" of asphalt, unless a roadway was designated as a collector street, in which case 4" to 6" of

asphalt would be installed. He stated he understood the concerns of the residents living on the Bridgewater neighborhood but based on the City's observations, a thicker pavement was not warranted.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. HOLD PUBLIC AND ASSESSMENT HEARINGS; CONSIDER RESOLUTION 19-4(6A) ORDERING PROJECT AND 19-4(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch opened the public hearing at 7:57 p.m.

Doug Looyen, 4090 121<sup>st</sup> Avenue NW, asked if the drainage dip would be retained through this project. Assistant City Engineer Hansen commented the drainage dip would be removed.

Mr. Looyen expressed concern with how the speed of traffic in his neighborhood would be impacted if the drainage dip were removed. He requested a speed bump be installed. Mayor Koch commented the City does not allow for the installation of speed bumps.

Mr. Looyen encouraged the City of Coon Rapids to consider installing stop signs at 121<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> to assist in slowing the speed of traffic. He requested the City increase their patrols along this roadway given the high level of speed in his neighborhood. Assistant City Engineer Hansen commented on the criteria that would have to be met in order to have stop signs installed.

Councilmember Johnson stated he grew up in Anoka and knew this roadway well. He requested staff have a conversation with the City of Anoka regarding this roadway. Assistant City Engineer Hansen commented he would be speaking with Anoka staff.

Cheryl Looyen, 4090 121<sup>st</sup> Avenue NW, explained she had petitioned the City of Coon Rapids and the City of Anoka to install "Dip" signs and stop signs. She noted Coon Rapids had installed a "Dip" sign. She commented on the offensive language she routinely hears from people driving too quickly on her street and encouraged the City Council to address this situation.

Mayor Koch closed the public hearing at 8:07 p.m.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-4(6A) ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BID OPENINGS AND CONTRACT AWARDS

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None.

OLD BUSINESS

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11. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 2219 AUTHORIZING SALE OF RESIDENTIAL LOT, 100XX COTTONWOOD STREET

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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER WELLS, TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF THE PROPERTY AT 100XX COTTONWOOD STREET TO TOLLBERG HOMES, LLC.; APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH TOLLBERG HOMES, LLC.; AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE DEED.; AND AUTHORIZE STAFF TO EXECUTE OTHER CLOSING DOCUMENTS AS NECESSARY TO CLOSE ON THE PROPERTY. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 2218 ESTABLISHING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON SELF-STORAGE FACILITIES

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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Greskowiak asked if the City had received any new applications for self-storage facilities since the First Reading of this Ordinance. Community Development Director Fernelius stated the City had not received any applications, but was aware of one that may be coming to the City in the next week or two. He noted this application would be valid if deemed complete prior to March 9<sup>th</sup>.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 2218 ESTABLISHING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE NEW DEVELOPMENT OR EXPANSION OF EXISTING SELF-STORAGE FACILITIES IN THE CITY.

Councilmember Demmer stated he supported the proposed moratorium as this would give the City time to pause and consider how to proceed with self-storage use requests.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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NEW BUSINESS

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13. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 19-11(8) ACCEPTING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR MISCELLANEOUS TRAIL RECONSTRUCTION AND AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION FO BIDS
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-11(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS FOR THE 2019 MISCELLANEOUS TRAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

Councilmember Demmer questioned the age of these trails. Public Works Director Himmer stated he would investigate this further and would report back to the Council.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 19-5(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR ANNUAL STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Kiecker questioned how long traffic had to remain off of a street when its fog sealed. Public Works Director Himmer stated he liked to have traffic remain off of these roadways for six to eight hours.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-5(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR THE 2019 STREET MAINTENANCE PROGRAM. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 18-18(9) AWARDDING CONTRACT FOR PLEASURE CREEK CULVERT EXTENSION
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The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 18-18(9) AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO DRYDEN EXCAVATING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,244.96 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE

EXISTING CULVERT ON PLEASURE CREEK AT COON RAPIDS BOULEVARD. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

16. CONSIDER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT FOR MIDDLE SAND CREEK CORRIDOR RESTORATION PROJECT

The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, TO APPROVE THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MIDDLE SAND CREEK CORRIDOR RESTORATION PROJECT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

17. CONSIDER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT FOR WOODCREST CREEK IRON ENHANCED SAND FILTER PROJECT

The Staff report was shared with Council.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER GRESKOWIAK, TO APPROVE THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WOODCREST CREEK IRON ENHANCED SAND FILTER PROJECT. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

18. CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO. 19-9(8) ACCEPTING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ERLANDSON PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE/DAHLIA PARK CULVERTS AND AUTHORIZING SOLICITATION OF BIDS

The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch questioned why this bridge was being replaced. Public Works Director Himmer stated this was due to its size and ADA pedestrian safety requirements.

Councilmember Demmer asked why this pedestrian bridge was being replaced first. Public Works Director Himmer reported staff had completed a comprehensive study on all pedestrian bridges in the City and would be replacing the worst first. He noted other bridges would be replaced in the future.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-9(8) APPROVING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS FOR THE ERLANDSON PARK PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AND DAHLIA PARK CULVERT INSTALLATIONS. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.



19. CONSIDER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ANOKA FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF 121<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE (PROJECT 19-4)

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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Mayor Koch stated it may benefit the City Council to better understand what other communities are charging for assessment rates.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KIECKER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO APPROVE THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF 121ST AVENUE (SOUTH STREET) BETWEEN 9TH AVENUE AND 300-FEET EAST OF CREE STREET. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

20. CONSIDER RESOLUTION 19-35 AMENDING PUBLIC COMMUNICATION FUND BUDGET

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The Staff report was shared with Council.

Councilmember Johnson noted this truck was rented out by CTV and was a revenue generator. Eric Strouse, CTN, reported this was the case. He discussed the revenue that was generated by the air show each year. He commented further on how important it was to protect the equipment that was installed in the truck.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19-35 AMENDING THE 2019 PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS FUND CAPITAL BUDGET FOR A NEW CTN TRUCK HVAC SYSTEM.

Councilmember Demmer requested further information on how CTV manages its revenues. Mr. Strouse discussed how revenues were tracked and managed by CTV. City Manager Stemwedel reported outside revenues were needed to assist in supporting this program for the City given the large number of people that were dropping cable.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

OPEN MIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

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Mayor Koch reviewed the rules of order for the Open Mic/Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Brandon Boesl, 12795 Swallow Street, commented on an informational letter he received from the City. He understood nothing would happen unless the Council took action on the Parking

Ordinance. He encouraged the Council to review this matter further.

#### REPORTS ON PREVIOUS OPEN MIC

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#### 21. OPEN MIC REPORT – MR. BRANDON BOESL AND MS. JANE KOLPIN

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Mayor Koch discussed Mr. Boesl and Ms. Kolpin's comments made during Open Mic at the February 5, 2019 Council meeting.

Councilmember Johnson explained he would support the Council discussing the City's Parking Ordinance further at a future worksession meeting. He reported Mr. Boesl lives in a very cooperative neighborhood and perhaps another consideration would be to allow a deviation from the enforcement.

Councilmember Demmer agreed and recommended the Council address the Parking Ordinance at a future worksession meeting.

Mayor Koch commented he could support a further conversation on this topic.

Councilmember Greskowiak indicated he would support the Council addressing this at a future workshop meeting.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

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City Manager Stemwedel introduced Francine Hanson to the City Council noting she had been appointed as the City's Finance Director.

Councilmember Greskowiak commended the Public Works Department for their great effort to keep the City free and clear of snow. He asked how the City's equipment was holding up. Public Works Director Himmer reported the City's mechanics were taking great care of the plows. He noted the sidewalk machines were giving staff some trouble given the large amount of snow the City has received.

Councilmember Demmer encouraged residents to keep their fire hydrants free and clear of snow this winter. Fire Chief Piper recommended fire hydrants be cleared by three feet on all sides.

Mayor Koch reported the Fire Department had smoke detectors available if there were any residents that could not afford to purchase or replace aging smoke detectors.

Mayor Koch asked what was happening out at the golf course. Bunker Hills Golf Course Anderson stated the course was being used for cross country skiing at this time and the simulator center would

remain open until the outdoor golf season starts. He explained a father daughter dance would be held on Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Councilmember Greskowiak noted an open house would be held on Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for the Real Estate Equities apartment project.

ADJOURN

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MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER JOHNSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER DEMMER, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:07 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Jerry Koch, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Joan Lenzmeier, City Clerk