

The Common Council of the City of Horicon met in regular session via video conference with Mayor Grigg presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m.

Alders Present: Hady, Marschke, Bandsma, Frami, and Miller.
Alders Absent: Vanderhei.

Mayor Grigg led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Bandsma, second by Frami, to approve the Council minutes of September 8 and September 22, 2020.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Public Appearances: None.

Hady, Chairperson of the Personnel & Finance Committee, provided a brief informational report on items being considered by the committee which included: Oak Hill Cemetery request for funds, Bowmar Appraisal contract, Vine Street masonry work, wage rates for election officials, and monthly bills.

Miller, Chairperson of the Public Works & Development Committee, provided a brief informational report on items being considered by the committee which included: Blue Zones update, monthly updates, and Vine Street masonry work.

Marschke, Chairperson of the Public Safety Committee, reported no meeting was held.

Frami, Chairperson of the Park & Recreation Board, provided a brief informational report on items being considered by the board which included: monthly reports, reconditioning of slide stairs at the Aquatic Center, and plumbing improvements at the Aquatic Center.

Mayor Grigg, Chairperson of the Plan Commission, provided a brief informational report on items being considered by the commission which included: a site plan approval and a certified survey recommendation.

The following resolution was introduced by Alderperson Miller: RESOLUTION 2020-12, RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HORICON, WISCONSIN, DIRECTING THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO AMEND THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE WISCONSIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT.

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Motion by Miller, second by Marschke, to adopt Resolution 2020-12.
All voting AYE. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-12

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HORICON, WISCONSIN, DIRECTING THAT THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO AMEND THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE WISCONSIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2020, the Horicon Common Council adopted Resolution 2020-09 directing the Mayor and City Clerk to submit an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) for a Community Development Investment Grant (CDI Grant) in the amount of \$220,000 to assist in the funding of the expansion and remodeling of Sure Fire, Inc.'s corporate headquarters (the Project) located at 617 Washington Street in Horicon, (the "Property");

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2020, the City submitted an application ("City Application") to WEDC for a CDI Grant in the amount of \$220,000 to assist Sure-Fire with its Project.;

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2020, the City and Sure-Fire entered into a detailed, long-term development agreement concerning the roles and responsibilities of each Party with respect to the Project's implementation and use of the CDI Grant and funds from City of Horicon Tax Increment District #4 ("TID #4");

WHEREAS, the Property is part of the West Washington Business District in the City of Horicon;

WHEREAS, the West Washington Business District has the highest concentration of commercial space in the City of Horicon and is home to the City's only hardware store, pharmacy, medical clinic, and general merchandise store in addition to restaurants and a bank, among other businesses;

WHEREAS, the West Washington Street Business District also has several vacant spaces and is in need of additional investment and would suffer greatly if Sure-Fire were to leave the District or be unable to complete the Project as planned;

WHEREAS, the City amended the TID #4 project plan on September 8, 2020, to include the Property and improvements to the West Washington Street Business District;

WHEREAS, TID #4 has sufficient funds on hand to use for improvements to the West Washington Street Business District;

WHEREAS, as a condition of its financial participation in the Sure-Fire project, WEDC has requested the City of Horicon pledge an equivalent amount of funds for enhancements to the West Washington Business District to help ensure the Sure Fire project will be truly catalytic in improving the business climate and appearance of the District;

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that the Property and City's proposed use of the CDI Grant and TID #4 funds are ideal matches to the purpose, goals, and eligibility of the CDI Grant Program as articulated by WEDC and the TID #4 project plan;

WHEREAS, the Common Council directs that the Mayor and City Clerk do all things necessary to amend the City's Application to include \$225,000 in TID #4 funds to be used for a West Washington Business District Revitalization Strategy and construction of streetscape improvements in the area (the District Improvements); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that an amended City Application and use of TID #4 funds to be in the best interests of the public and promotes the health, safety and welfare of the community and respectfully requests that WEDC award a CDI Grant to the City consistent with its amended application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Horicon that:

Section 1: The recitals cited above are hereby fully incorporated by reference.

Section 2: The Common Council finds that the Project and District Improvements are essential to the long-term economic viability of the Property and West Washington Business District and directs that the District Improvements be included in an amended City Application for a CDI Grant.

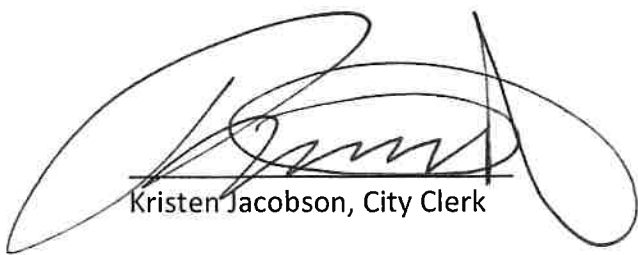
Section 3: The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to amend the City's Application to include the use of Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and NO/100 Dollars (\$225,000.00) in TID #4 funds for the District Improvements and to submit the same to the WEDC for its consideration.

Section 4: The Common Council finds that the City's submittal of an amended City Application for a CDI Grant and use of TID #4 funds to be in the best interests of the public and promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the community and respectfully requests that WEDC award a Grant to the City consistent with its amended application.

Introduced by Alderperson Donald Miller this 27th day of October 2020.

Adopted and approved this 27th day of October 2020.


James R. Grigg, Mayor


Kristen Jacobson, City Clerk

Motion by Frami, second by Miller to approve a budget transfer to increase A/C #100-555420-241, Swimming Pool – Repair/Maintenance Contractor Expense by \$13,000 and decrease A/C #100-555420-281, Swimming Pool – Pool Operation Contract, by \$13,000 to fund plumbing improvements and slide stair restoration.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Marschke, to approve Oak Hill Cemetery Association's request for funds in the amount of \$7,500 per the 2020 Budget.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Miller, to approve a three year contract with Bowmar Appraisal Inc. for assessor services in the amount of \$10,400 for 2021, \$10,600 for 2022, and \$10,700 for 2023.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Frami, second by Hady, to approve the invoice from Hechimovich Masonry Construction Inc in the amount of \$16,210 for Vine Street curb and gutter, sidewalk, and driveway apron work.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

No action was taken on Agenda Item #16 – Act on Funding of Vine Street Sidewalk, Driveway Apron, Sidewalk, and Curb and Gutter Work.

Motion by Hady, second by Miller, to authorize a pay rate of \$15.00/hour for Election Officials and a pay rate of \$16.67/hour for the Chief Inspector for the Presidential Election.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Miller, second by Frami, to approve the 2021 Request from Exemption from Dodge County Library Tax.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Bandsma, second by Miller, to approve the Memorandum of Agreement Between the City of Horicon and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Regarding Changes in Access Between Parcel 236-1115-0244-002 and WIS 33.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Miller, to approve the Certified Survey for 617 Washington Street – Malesevich Revocable Trust Dated March 18, 1997.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Bandsma, second by Marschke, to approve the request from the Horicon Lion's Club to decorate (including lights) the City's Christmas trees located in planters.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

There were no Operator License applications.

The following is a statement of financial condition for the City of Horicon as of September 30, 2020:

Cash Balance, September 1, 2020	\$ 194,560.85
Receipts	<u>\$ 1,177,565.69</u>
	\$ 1,372,126.54
Expenditures	<u>\$ 1,082,635.13</u>
	\$ 289,491.41
Payroll	<u>\$ 85,966.01</u>
Cash Balance, September 30, 2020	<u>\$ 203,525.40</u>

Motion by Hady, second by Bandsma, to approve the financial statement for September 30, 2020 as printed.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Motion by Hady, second by Bandsma, to approve the payment of bills for September 2020 in the amount of \$3,494,193.06.

All voting AYE. Motion carried.

Non-Action Discussion:

Alexandra Harvancik, Librarian, announced the Library has been adding to their collection including many digital options. She also announced the Library started a Storytime to Go Program.

Joseph Adamson, Police Chief, stated they had a great drug drop last weekend, dropping off 40 pounds of unwanted drugs. Adamson announced there are 9 active COVID cases in the 53032 zip code that are less than 2 weeks old and 20 COVID cases that are more than 2 weeks but not yet 30 days old.

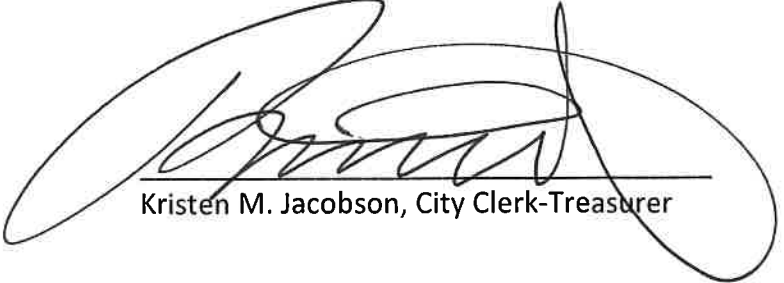
Tim Kingman, Director of Public Works-Utilities, announced leaf pickup continues. Kingman also announced the new truck is scheduled to be delivered prior to Thanksgiving. Kingman stated the WWTF had an emergency causing electrical damage in an approximate amount of \$12,000. Kingman also stated bulk waste pickup occurred last week and Advanced continues to work to pick up additional items.

Marschke had a question relating to the display name on City issued laptops.

Kristen Jacobson, Clerk-Treasurer, stated she had filed for reimbursement of Local Road Improvement Program funds related to Washington Street Reconstruction in the amount of \$30,724 and the funds had recently been received. Jacobson provided an update on COVID and staff in her office. She also provided an update on the upcoming Presidential Election.

Jacobson announced the Committee of Whole will meet to formulate the budget on October 29th, meeting will be held virtually.

Motion by Frami, second by Bandsma, to adjourn.
All voting AYE. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Kristen M. Jacobson, City Clerk-Treasurer

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