

**CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 25, 2021**

It is noted this meeting was held virtually, via Zoom.

Councilmembers present virtually: Phillippa Kassover, Deputy Mayor; Tom French, Council Vice-Chair; Lorri Bodi, Mark Phillips, John Resha, Semra Riddle, John Wright (All Councilmembers attended virtually, via Zoom)

Councilmembers absent: None

Staff present virtually: Jeff Johnson, Mayor; Phillip Hill, City Administrator; Kim Adams Pratt, City Attorney; Mike Harden, Police Chief; Steve Bennett, Planning Director; Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director; Evelyn Jahed, City Clerk

Others present: 20 visitors

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the February 25, 2021 City Council regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Johnson gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Cmbr. Resha moved to approve the agenda as presented. **Phillips seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as presented carried unanimously.**

PUBLIC HEARING – Public Hearing and Action on Proposed Amendments to the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (LFPMC) and Design Guidelines Pertaining to the Town Center Zone (Ord. 1217) and Related Regulations in the LFPMC for Development Agreements (Ord. 1218), Off-street Parking (Ord. 1219), Screening and Landscaping (Ord. 1220), and Multifamily Tax Exemption (Ord. 1221)

Planning Director Bennett and City Attorney Pratt presented the item, including a PowerPoint, and responded to questions.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing and invited comments from the audience.

The following members of the audience shared comments with the Council:

- Don Fiene, 4014 NE 178th Street, Lake Forest Park
- Madlyn Larson, 2847 NE 178th Street, Lake Forest Park
- Julian Andersen, 3377 NE 178th Street, Lake Forest Park

Mayor Johnson noted he would not be closing the public hearing at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING – Public Hearing on Proposed Designation of Residential Targeted Areas For Multifamily Tax Exemption (Ord. 1221)

Planning Director Bennett and City Attorney Pratt presented the item, including a PowerPoint, and responded to questions.

Mayor Johnson opened the public hearing and invited comments from the audience.

The following members of the audience shared comments with the Council:

- Rob Beem, representing the North Urban Human Services Alliance
- Silje Sodal, 18492 – 43rd Avenue NE, Lake Forest Park

Mayor Johnson noted he would not be closing the public hearing at this time.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

The following members of the audience shared comments with the Council:

- Julian Andersen (congratulations to Frank Zenk on his retirement)
- Jim Stoetzer, no address given (congratulations to Frank Zenk on his retirement)
- Don Fiene, 4014 NE 178th Street, Lake Forest Park (congratulations to Frank Zenk on his retirement)

CONSENT CALENDAR

Cmbr. Wright moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. February 11, 2021 Council Work Session Meeting Minutes
2. February 11, 2021 Council Regular Meeting Minutes
3. February 16, 2021 Council Committee of the Whole Special Meeting Notes
4. Approval of City Expenditures for the Period Ending February 25, 2021, covering Claims Fund Check Nos. 82094 through 82137, in the amount of \$453,489.98; and Payroll Fund ACH transactions in the amount of \$296,131.98; additional approved transaction, Invoice Cloud, \$699.50; total approved Claims Fund transactions \$454,189.48

Cmbr. Resha seconded. The motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

At this time, Mayor Johnson closed both of the previous public hearings.

Public Hearing and Action on Proposed Amendments to the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (LFPMC) and Design Guidelines Pertaining to the Town Center Zone (Ord. 1217) and Related Regulations in the LFPMC for Development Agreements (Ord. 1218), Off-street Parking (Ord. 1219), Screening and Landscaping (Ord. 1220), and Multifamily Tax Exemption (Ord. 1221)

Cmbr. Kassoover moved to approve as presented Ordinance 1217/Proposed Amendments to the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (LFPMC) and Design Guidelines Pertaining to the Town Center Zone. **Wright seconded. Following comments by Council, the motion to approve Ordinance 1217 as presented carried unanimously.**

Cmbr. French moved to approve as presented Ordinance 1218/Related Regulations in the LFPMC for Development Agreements. **Phillips seconded. The motion to approve Ordinance 1218 as presented carried unanimously.**

Cmbr. Kassoover moved to approve as presented Ordinance 1219/Off-street Parking. **Wright seconded. The motion to approve Ordinance 1219 as presented carried unanimously.**

Cmbr. French moved to approve as presented Ordinance 1220/Screening and Landscaping. **Riddle seconded. The motion to approve Ordinance 1220 as presented carried unanimously.**

Cmbr. Kassoover moved to approve as presented Ordinance 1221/Multifamily Tax Exemption. **Wright seconded. The motion to approve Ordinance 1221 as presented carried unanimously.**

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS/COUNCIL/MAYOR/CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

The Mayor and Councilmembers reported on meetings they attended.

Mayor Johnson thanked Frank Zenk for his service to the City and wished him well in his retirement.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.



Jeff Johnson, Mayor



Evelyn Jahed, City Clerk