

**CITY OF HARTFORD
COMMON COUNCIL
February 28, 2023**

The Common Council of the City of Hartford, Washington and Dodge Counties, Wisconsin, met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 7:00 p.m., in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street, Mayor Timothy Michalak presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Michalak led the Common Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The Mayor and all Alderpersons were present except Alderperson Carroll who was absent and excused.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, seconded by Alderperson Webb approving the following items:

1. The Common Council minutes of February 14, 2023.
2. Authorizing appropriate City officials to accept the quote from Horizon Commercial Pool Supply for the resurfacing of the therapy pool and leisure pool at the Signicast Family Aquatic Center for an amount not to exceed \$143,100.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMUNICATIONS

City Clerk Lori Hetzel advised the council that the next Mid-Moraine dinner meeting will be on March 22, 2023 in Saukville. Reservations are needed by March 17, 2023.

APPEARANCES/CITIZENS COMMENTS

Terrance Perfect, 635 Yosemite Ave, appeared to apologize to the mayor and some council members for attacking them personally during the election last fall. He also expressed his gratitude for the work the council is doing.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Michalak thanked Mr. Perfect for his comments. He also commented on the success of Iced on Main the past weekend.

ALDERMANIC REQUESTS

Alderperson Hegy mentioned that the Mid-Moraine Legislative Committee will be meeting next Wednesday and the likely topic of discussion will be the referendum regarding the shared sales tax. He also commented that there are still residents who are not clearing the sidewalks after a snowfall.

Alderperson Rusniak and Alderperson Fulop wished Mayor Michalak a happy birthday.

PUBLIC HEARING

Rezoning request for 714 Union Street from Rd-2 Two-family Residential to Rs-6 Single-Family Residential

Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing open at 7:06 p.m. The notice was read by City Clerk Lori Hetzel. The notice was published in the Daily News on February 10th and February 17th and 21 notices were sent.

City Planner Justin Drew explained that this is a simple change from two-family to single-family in a neighborhood with both. It meets all zoning requirements and the Plan Commission and staff recommend in favor.

There were no appearances for or against.

Alderperson Fulop asked why rezoning impacts the value of the home, as was suggested in the narrative the owners submitted. Mr. Drew stated that he couldn't speak to the veracity of that claim, but suggested that a larger single-family home could potentially draw a higher rental or sale value than two smaller units inside the same home. Alderperson Fulop asked for more clarity as to why rezoning would affect that value. Mr. Drew then explained that a zoned two-family home cannot be used as a single-family home. The zoning would have to change in order to use the home as a single-family home.

There being no further remarks or discussion, Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing closed at 7:10 p.m.

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MOTION by Alderperson Kohler, seconded by Alderperson Fulop to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance No. 1468.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Alderperson Turchi, seconded by Alderperson Fulop for the adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 1468 – an ordinance amending the zoning map, a part of Ordinance 278.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

1. Library Director Jennifer Einwalter presented the Jack Russell Memorial Library 2022 annual report, which included service numbers, electronic resource use, circulation numbers, and operating revenue.
2. Discussion and consideration of appointment of the new City Clerk per the recommendation of the Hiring Committee.
 - a. Mr. Volkert explained that 12 applications were received for the upcoming open position of City Clerk after Lori Hetzel retires in June. 4 of those applicants were selected for interviews with a panel consisting of Election Officials, the Chair of the Finance & Personnel Committee and other staff members that work closely with the Clerk's office. The panel offered the contingent employment offer to Shanna Kreilkamp, who signed and accepted the offer.

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, seconded by Alderperson Garza approving the contingent appointment of the new City Clerk per the recommendation of the Hiring Committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. Mr. Volkert then introduced Ms. Kreilkamp. Ms. Kreilkamp explained that she has spent most of her adult career working in the City of Hartford, most recently with Matthiesen Wickert and Lehrer. She is looking forward to working with everyone.

CLOSED SESSION

1. The Common Council to move into closed session under Wis. Statutes 19.85 (1)(e) "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" regarding update on Next Generation Housing project. The Common Council to reconvene in open session for adjournment only.

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, seconded by Alderperson Sikora to move into closed session at 7:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYE (8) NAY (0)

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, seconded by Alderperson Webb to come out of closed session at 9:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Alderperson Webb, seconded by Alderperson Fulop for adjournment at 9:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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