

# GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 7, 2020

6:30 p.m.

Location - Events Center in the remodeled addition (southwest room)

*The Council meeting will be livestreamed for public to view on our city council Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/gbcitycouncil/>.*

## AGENDA

### Members present:

__ Mayor Cody Schmidt	__ Councilmember Cory Urban
__ Councilmember Barry Bowers	__ Councilmember Lindsey Krom-Craven
__ Councilmember Brock McPherson	__ Councilmember Junior Welsch
__ Councilmember Alan Moeder	__ Councilmember Dana Dawson
__ Councilmember Jolene Biggs	__ Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer
__ Administrator Kendal Francis	__ Attorney Robert Suelter

## OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on November 16, 2020.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 12-7-20:** Covering 2020 bills to date.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 11-20-20 & 12-4-20:** Covering payroll ending November 14, 2020 in the amount of \$436,896.90 and covering payroll ending November 28, 2020 in the amount of \$349,711.59.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt will make appointments as appropriate.
- e) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

### B. OLD BUSINESS

### C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The public is free to comment on items not listed on the agenda. Please address comments to the City Council as a body and be mindful of others who may also wish to speak by limiting comments to 3 minutes.*

### D. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Councilmember Reports:** Councilmembers will report on the boards and commissions that they serve on.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 2. Administrators Update:** City Administrator Kendal Francis will present an update on what is happening within the City organization.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 3. Police Chief Appointment:** Immediately following Police Chief David Bailey's retirement announcement in September, we began a nationwide search for a new chief. We received 21 applications, which was narrowed down to 6 candidates for in-person interviews. The in-person interviews were conducted by two separate panels. One consisted of a diverse cross-section of community members and the other was composed of city council members and department heads. Steven Haulmark was the overwhelming choice of both interview panels. Mr. Haulmark has 25 years of law enforcement experience and currently serves as the Assistant Chief of Police for the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department. City Administrator Kendal Francis will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the appointment of Steve Haulmark as the Chief of Police.

- 4. Economic Development Report:** Economic Development Inc. President Sara Hayden will present her monthly report.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 5. Abatements:** Property Maintenance Enforcement Manager Austin LaViolette will present abatements.

Recommendation: Take action on abatements.

- 6. Annual Service Award Recipients:** Each year we invite those receiving service awards to attend the first council meeting in December. This year, out of abundance of caution, we are not requesting those staff members to attend the meeting, but we would still like to recognize them. Human Resource Director Randy Keasling will report.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 7. Recreational Vehicle - Ordinance No. 4364:** At the November 16th work session, city council instructed staff to edit/update our current city ordinances concerning the definitions of a "Mobile Home" & a "Recreational Vehicle" (15.52.010 – Definitions) as well as the permitted parking of recreational vehicles (15.52.040 – Recreational Vehicles – Permitted Parking). Definitions have been updated utilizing the Kansas Department of Revenues' definitions for both Mobile Homes & Recreational Vehicles. Permitted Parking has been changed to clarify that the entirety of the RV, including the hitch, must be behind

the "Front of the House", which has also defined. City Administrator Kendal Francis will report.

Recommendation: Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 4364.

- 8. Lift Station Rehabilitation 1 and 2:** The Lift Stations on Eisenhower and McCormick are Smith and Loveless flooded suction pumps which are housed inside of buildings. As such, the buildings present issues and safety concerns as the dry and wet wells are very deep and any repairs including minor, must be done with a confined space entry. The City received 2 bids for vacuum prime pumps. The low bid was \$226,782 from Davis Structure and Development Corporation. The buildings will be razed, and the lift stations will be done as they are elsewhere in the city with a "doghouse" style of enclosure. We will upgrade to Smith and Loveless vacuum prime pumps, thus increasing the ability to safely service the lift stations while also maintaining continuity. Assistant Public Works Director Jason Cauley and Utilities Superintendent Reuben Martin will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve the low bid for \$226,782 from Davis Structure and Development Corporation for the lift station rehabilitation 1 and 2.

**ADJOURNMENT**