

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
INDEPENDENCE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY July 5, 2022–6:30 P.M.
City Hall Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Independence City Council was called to order by Mayor Johnson at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Johnson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Johnson, Councilors McCoy, Betts, Spencer, and Grotting

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: City Administrator Kaltsas,

VISITORS: John Zitzloff

4. ****Consent Agenda****

All items listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by Council and will be acted on by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- a. Approval of City Council Minutes from the June 21, 2022, Regular City Council Meeting.
- b. Approval of Accounts Payable (Batch # 1; Checks Numbered 21312 and Batch # 2; Checks Numbered 21313-21342).

Motion by Betts, second by Spencer to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Johnson, McCoy, Betts, Spencer, and Grotting. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain. None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED.

5. SET AGENDA – ANYONE NOT ON THE AGENDA CAN BE PLACED UNDER OPEN/MISC.

6. REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES BY COUNCIL AND STAFF

Grotting attended the following meetings:

- nothing

McCoy attended the following meetings:

- nothing

Betts attended the following meetings:

- nothing

Johnson attended the following meetings:

- 3-day League of MN Cities State Convention in Duluth, MN

Kaltsas attended the following meetings:

- nothing

7. John Zitzloff (Applicant/Owner) is requesting that the City consider the following action for the property located at 4224 Lake Sarah Dr. S. (PID No. 02-118-24-42-0002) in Independence, MN:

- RESOLUTION 22-0705-01:** considering a variance to allow a detached accessory structure on the property that exceeds the height of the principal structure.

Kaltsas summarized the PC 6-21 mtg's discussion highlighting the resident's variance request stating they couldn't meet the 75' min. separation from the principal structure and the proposed new accessory building size would be 42'x53' which would be less than the 2% max allowed. All setbacks are met: SIDE/16', REAR and FRONT/100'+. The height gable roof on principal structure, median roof = requesting 20.6' thus the 7' variance requested. Seeing the ariel view plans, it shows it sits 3-4' lower which helps. Public hearing held. Significant tree line mitigations PC commissioners recommended moving to CC. No public rose questions.

Zitzloff approved Kaltsas' summary. Betts questioned if both were gable roofs, not hip. Kaltsas confirmed both are measured the same way. Johnson introduced the resolution.

Motion by Spencer, second by McCoy to approve RESOLUTION 22-0705-01 – approving the variance to allow a detached accessory structure. Ayes: McCoy, Betts, Johnson, Spencer, and Grotting. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain. None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED. 5:0

8. Approval of Election Judges for the 2022 Primary and General Elections:

- RESOLUTION 22-0705-02:** Considering approval of the Election Judges.

Motion by Grotting, second by Spencer to approve RESOLUTION 22-0705-02 – approving the 2022 Primary and General Election Judges. Ayes: McCoy, Betts, Johnson, Spencer, and Grotting. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain. None. MOTION DECLARED CARRIED. 5:0

9. Open/Misc.

10. Adjourn.

Motion carried by McCoy, second by Grotting to adjourn the meeting at 6:46pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Johnson / Recording Secretary