# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING October 17, 2023; 5:30 p.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Invocation was given by Councilman Garrick and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

### ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of North Platte, Nebraska was convened in open and public session at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 211 West 3rd Street. Present were Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. Mayor Brandon Kelliher presided, and City Clerk Angela Gilbert recorded the proceedings.

## OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Mayor Kelliher stated that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act of Nebraska is posted on the wall at the back of the Council Chambers.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in three public places in the City as follows: North Platte Public Library, Lincoln County Courthouse and City Hall; the designated method for giving notice (Certificate of Posting) is attached to these Minutes. Proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Rieker moved and Flanders seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

- 1. Removed from the Consent Agenda.
- 2. Accept the report of North Platte Volunteer Firefighter's Service Award Program Certification Administrator, Scott Moses and have \$11,000 (approved in 2023-2024 budget) held in trust at First National Bank of Omaha.
- 3. Authorize the Mayor to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the South Central/ Panhandle 911 Region to allow sharing of the 911 infrastructure.
- 4. Removed from the Consent Agenda.
- 5. Authorize the Police Department to apply for NDOT-HSO grant funded overtime reimbursement to participate in the Special Traffic Enforcement Program.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #1 APPROVE AMENDED MINUTES OF 10-03-23 Lucas moved and Garrick seconded the motion to amend the Minutes of October 3, 2023, Item No. 8 to read Tryon moved and Woods seconded the motion to remove § 119.04 HOURS OF OPERATION. Roll call vote: "AYE": Tryon, Woods. "NAY": Nisley, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker. Motion

failed.

Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #4
AUTOMATED
LICENSE PLATE
READERS ON STATE
HIGHWAYS

Nisley moved and Volz seconded the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Nebraska Department of Transportation regarding the installation and operation of automated license plate readers on State highways. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders. "NAY": Rieker, Woods. Motion carried.

ITEM #6 PURCHASE TWO AMBULANCES FOR THE FIRE DEPT. Garrick moved and Rieker seconded the motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the purchase of two (2) 2025/2026 Braun, Chief XL Type 1 Ambulances for the Fire Department with North Central Emergency Vehicles in Lincoln, NE. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #7
PUBLIC SAFETY
CENTER SPACE
NEEDS
ASSESSMENT

Rieker moved and Flanders seconded the motion to approve the selection of Davis Design for the Public Safety Center Space Needs Assessment and Site Feasibility Study and authorize the Mayor to sign the contracts. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #8 ORDINANCE 4137 ON 2<sup>ND</sup> READING Mayor Kelliher instructed revised Ordinance No. 4137 to Add Chapter 119 "Games of Skill" to Title XI "Business Regulations" to the Code of the City of North Platte, relating to Games of Skill to be read by title on its second reading. Garrick moved and Rieker seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4137 on its second reading.

Lucas moved and Garrick seconded the motion to waive the three readings of Ordinance No. 4137. Roll call vote: "AYE": Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders. "NAY": Nisley, Tryon, Rieker, Woods. Motion failed.

Roll call vote on the main motion: "AYE": Nisley, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker. "NAY": Tryon, Woods. Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION** 

Garrick moved and Volz seconded the motion to go into Closed Session at 6:08 p.m. for the purpose of discussing contracts. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

Mayor Kelliher restated the purpose of the Closed Session is to discuss contracts.

# RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Volz moved and Nisley seconded the motion to come out of Closed Session and return to Regular Session at 6:44 p.m. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

Mayor Kelliher stated that only contracts were discussed during the Closed Session.

ITEM #9 ORDINANCE 4150 ON 1<sup>ST</sup> READING Mayor Kelliher instructed Ordinance No. 4150 to authorize the conveyance of Lot 1, Block 1, Industrial Park 6<sup>th</sup> Replat, North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, by the City of North Platte to Hamilton Builders, LLC in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be read by title on its first reading. Rieker moved and Garrick seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4150 on its first reading. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #10 ORDINANCE 4151 ON 1<sup>ST</sup> READING Mayor Kelliher instructed Ordinance No. 4151 to authorize the conveyance of Lot 2, Block 1, Industrial Park 6<sup>th</sup> Replat, North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, by the City of North Platte to Hamilton Builders, LLC in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be read by title on its first reading. Rieker moved and Volz seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4151 on its first reading. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #11 ORDINANCE 4152 ON 1<sup>ST</sup> READING Mayor Kelliher instructed Ordinance No. 4152 to authorize the conveyance of Lot 3, Block 1, Industrial Park 6<sup>th</sup> Replat, North Platte, Lincoln County, Nebraska, by the City of North Platte to Hamilton Builders, LLC in the amount of \$15,000.00 to be read by title on its first reading. Rieker moved and Volz seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4152 on its first reading. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #12 2023-2024 LARM RENEWAL Lucas moved and Volz seconded the motion to approve the 2023-2024 League Association of Risk Management Renewal Resolution with a term of one year, 180-day notice only and a 2% discount. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #13 ISSUE WARRANT TO WESTERN ENGINEERING CO. Garrick moved and Rieker seconded the motion to adopt the Resolution approving a claim and authorizing the issuance of one warrant to Western Engineering Co. in the amount of \$141,324.71 to pay approved claim and referring to and incorporating the terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 3874 relating to warrant financing passed and approved on May 21, 2013. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

ITEM #14 ORDINANCE 4149 ON 2<sup>ND</sup> READING Mayor Kelliher instructed Ordinance No. 4149 annexing 1617 East Railroad Street, described as All of Lot 119 and the W 114' of Lot 120 Neville Subdivision, Lincoln County, Nebraska consisting of approximately 3.12 acres into the corporate limits of the City of North Platte to be read by title on its second reading. Rieker moved and Garrick seconded the motion to approve Ordinance No. 4149 on its second reading. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker. "NAY": Tryon, Woods. Motion carried.

ITEM # 15 APPLICATION FOR REHABILITATION GRANT Mayor Kelliher declared a Public hearing to approve the application for \$4,500,000 to assist the acquisition of property, removal/remediation of environmental concerns, securing legal title, demolition, infrastructure improvements including drinking water, maintenance, and rehabilitation community wide with a focus on areas considered low-to-moderate income and authorize the Mayor to sign, submit and execute all related documents.

Eric Seacrest, Mid-NE Community Foundation, told the Council we have more housing problems than we have ever had, and it is causing people to move out of state. He said that grants are an excellent way to pay for houses that are too damaged to live in or are just sitting there wasting away. He stated if you do not apply for any grants, you will not get any grants.

Gary Person, President of North Platte Chamber/DEVCO, asked the Council to listen to all of Eric's reasons and support the application.

Garrick moved and Volz seconded the motion to close the hearing. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

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ITEM #16 CLAIMS Volz moved and Rieker seconded the motion to approve the Claims. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN** 

Rieker moved and Flanders seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll call vote: "AYE": Nisley, Tryon, Volz, Lucas, Garrick, Flanders, Rieker, Woods. "NAY": None. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Urgela Gilbert
Angela Gilbert, City Clerk