

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a City Council Work Session was duly held in the City Council chambers at 6:00 p.m. on the 26th day of October 2022. The following members were present: Mayor Doug Henke, Council Members: Dan Rechtzigel, Mary Bailey, Kim Helgeson, and Molly Ryan

Absent:

Also, present: City Administrator Mark Vahlsing, Finance Clerk Kathy Flikke, Public Works Superintendent Wayne Ehrich, Liquor Store Manager Matt Bartel, CEDA Economic Development Specialist Cora Boelman

Mayor Henke called the work session to order at 6:00 pm. The purpose of this meeting is to review the Enterprise portion of the 2023 draft budget.

Update on 3rd Quarter Economic Development Activities. Cora Boelman – Community and Business Development Specialist. CEDA

Cora Boelman updated the Council on her current activities. She stated that she and the City Administrator had met with a prospective business last week interested in the business park. The company did boat transportation, storage, and service. They have a location in Bay City, WI. She has also been working on updating business park marketing materials and web listings.

For the downtown she stated that she has been visiting business owners. She has also been working to promote the Façade Improvement program by updating and distributing information. She is working on an inventory of vacant buildings. The listings will be added to the city web site. She has also talked to some persons interested in starting businesses in the downtown area.

Review Proposed 2023 Budget – Enterprise Funds

Public Works Superintendent Ehrich reviewed the proposed 2023 Sanitary sewer fund budget. The only major purchase proposed in the Sanitary sewer budget was an inline grinder pump. The approximated cost with installation is \$70,000-\$80,000.

Administrator Vahlsing reviewed sanitary sewer rates. The 2023 budget shows a proposed 8% increase to user rates and base charges.

Public Works Superintendent Ehrich reviewed the proposed 2023 storm sewer fund budget. There were no major changes to the storm sewer budget.

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Liquor Store Manager Matt Bartel reviewed the proposed 2023 budget for the municipal liquor store. The liquor Store budget showed increase to beer, wine and liquor sales and revenue. He also asked the Council about his status as a non-exempt employee.

Motion by Ryan, Second by Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion Carried 5-0-0

Mark Vahlsing, City Administrator

Douglas Henke, Mayor