

**MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 31, 2017 6:30 P.M.**

The MCGREGOR CITY COUNCIL met in Special Session at 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesday, May 31, 2017** at City Hall with Mayor Brooks presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present: Hallberg, Carroll, Echard, Muehlbauer, and Halvorson.

Mayor Brooks opened a scheduled public hearing to take comments regarding proposed Ordinance Amendments for Consolidated Lots, Rezoning Criteria, Short Term Vacation Rental. Richard Palucci asked for more detail regarding the short-term rental ordinance. It was explained that there is no language in the current code of ordinances to address this type of a property which includes any rental of property for a period of less than 31 days. Several calls had been received at city hall from people wishing to purchase property and to be able to rent the property for weekends or weeks when it was not being used by the owners. No additional comments were made and Mayor Brooks closed the public hearing.

Halvorson moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve the first reading of Ordinance 05-01-2017 Amending Chapter 165 (Zoning Ordinance) by Permitting Consolidated Lots as a Special Exception. Roll call vote: Ayes – All. 1st Reading carried. Additional readings will be considered at the June 21 meeting. Echard moved, seconded by Muehlbauer to approve the first reading of Ordinance 05-02-2017 Amending Code of Ordinance to Clarify the Responsibilities and Duties of the Planning and Zoning Commission Pertaining to Applications for Change of Zoning District Boundaries. Roll call vote: Ayes – All. First reading carried. Additional readings will be considered at the June 21 meeting. Halvorson moved, seconded by Muehlbauer to approve the first reading of Ordinance 05-03-2017 Amending Chapter 165 (Zoning Ordinance) Pertaining to Short-Term Rentals. Roll call vote: Ayes: Halvorson, Hallberg, Muehlbauer. Nays: Carroll, Echard. First reading carried. Additional readings will be considered at the June 21 meeting. Echard moved, seconded by Carroll to approve the first reading of Ordinance 05-04-2017 Amending Chapter 22 to Clarify the Responsibilities of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Roll call vote: Ayes – All. First reading carried. Additional readings will be considered at the June 21 meeting.

Hallberg moved, seconded by Halvorson to approve Resolution 06-05-2017 Amending Ohmer Ridge Restrictive Covenants (Second Amendment). Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried. Carroll moved, seconded by Echard to approve Resolution 07-05-2017 Authorizing and Approving a Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of a \$375,000 GO Corporate Purpose Note and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same. Roll call vote: Ayes: All. Motion carried. Council discussed a proposal for engineering services for the Turner Park Splash Pad project. Planning is the next step in the project so that the type of system, cost of operation, cost of construction are available for future fundraising efforts. Council requested the engineering firm be present at the June meeting. Mayor Brooks recognized a donation made by John Bell of a replacement flag for the riverfront flag. The flag is purchased in memory of his father Flight Lt John W (Jack) Bell who was an Army Air Corp Pilot from 1943-1945. Council expressed their gratitude. Muehlbauer moved, seconded by Hallberg to approve payment to Environmental

Management Services of Iowa for \$8,995.00 for asbestos removal at the Sullivan Opera House.
Roll call vote: Ayes – all. Motion carried.

With no further business to conduct, Echard moved, second by Muehlbauer to adjourn the meeting. All ayes – motion carried.

Harold W. Brooks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lynette L. Sander
City Administrator