

CITY OF CRETE, NEBRASKA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

June 22, 2020

Notice of the meeting was given by posting and publishing in The Crete News, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the Proof of Publication attached to the minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and City Council. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open Meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska in the back of the Council Chambers. Additional copies are available to read. The City may consider items listed on the agenda in random order. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Those in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

1. Open Meeting

Chair Dave Hansen called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Roll Call

Ryan Jindra:	Absent
Ronald Schroeder:	Absent
Bud Clouse:	Present
Dave Hansen:	Present
Justin Kozisek:	Present
Scott Kuncl:	Present
Drew Rische:	Present
Jennifer Robison:	Present
Sharon Scusa:	Present

Present: 7, Absent: 2.

Also present: City Administrator Tom Ourada, City Clerk Judi Meyer, City Attorney Kyle Manley, Building Inspector Brad Bailey, Finance Director Jerry Wilcox, City Council Member Brian Carnes, members of the public.

3. Special Order of Business

3.A. Planning Commission Minutes of May 18, 2020.

Approve the Planning Commission meeting minutes of May 18, 2020. Carried with a motion by Bud Clouse and a second by Sharon Scusa.

Bud Clouse: Aye, Dave Hansen: Aye, Justin Kozisek: Aye, Scott Kuncl: Aye, Drew Rische: Aye, Jennifer Robison: Aye, Sharon Scusa: Aye

Aye: 7, No: 0

3.B. Les Ralston request to open a gun store.

Deny Les Ralston request. Carried with a motion by Scott Kuncl and a second by Bud Clouse.

Bud Clouse: Aye, Dave Hansen: Aye, Justin Kozisek: Aye, Scott Kuncl: Aye, Drew Rische: Aye, Jennifer Robison: Aye, Sharon Scusa: Aye

Aye: 7, No: 0

Tom Ourada summarized the zoning regulations at the property location. Small business operations may be conducted inside the residence with certain restrictions. Small business operations must comply with setbacks, parking, buffer zone, and other regulations. The property is also located within a flood zone. Les Ralston provided information about his request. Planning Commission members asked questions and provided

additional information. Recommendations are for Les to either wait until the adjacent property is rezoned from industrial to commercial, or to build or attach a garage structure so that is part of the main residential structure.

3.C. Discuss and consider setting public hearing regarding amendment to commercial properties located within both a C-1 District and the Parking Overlay District, disallowing future upper story residential use.

Set Public Hearing regarding amendment to commercial property allowable uses for July 27, 2020 at 7:00pm.

Carried with a motion by Scott Kuncl and a second by Justin Kozisek.

Bud Clouse: Aye, Dave Hansen: Aye, Justin Kozisek: Aye, Scott Kuncl: Aye, Drew Rische: Aye, Jennifer Robison: Aye, Sharon Scusa: Aye

Aye: 7, No: 0

Tom Ourada discussed the different parking space requirements for apartments located outside of and within the downtown commercial district. Mr. Ourada also discussed the need for additional parking lots over time to accommodate increases in number of upper story apartment dwellers, workers, and shoppers. City Staff and Council would prefer that parking would voluntarily be used in public and private parking lots and spaces rather than overcrowding city sidestreets.

3.D. Discussion regarding allowance of cafe/bistro tables and seating on the sidewalk area within the city right-of-way in the downtown area.

Support an amendment to city code allowing tables and seating on the sidewalk area within the city right-of-way in the downtown area. Carried with a motion by Justin Kozisek and a second by Drew Rische.

Bud Clouse: Aye, Dave Hansen: Aye, Justin Kozisek: Aye, Scott Kuncl: Aye, Drew Rische: Aye, Jennifer Robison: Aye, Sharon Scusa: Aye

Aye: 7, No: 0

Tom Ourada discussed interest in modifying city code to allow downtown business owners to erect wrought iron fencing on the city right-of-way for tables and chairs.

3.E. Discussion regarding amendments to city code regarding swimming pool regulations.

Approve adopting swimming pool regulations consistent with IBC pool regulations. Carried with a motion by Scott Kuncl and a second by Bud Clouse.

Bud Clouse: Aye, Dave Hansen: Aye, Justin Kozisek: Aye, Scott Kuncl: Aye, Drew Rische: Aye, Jennifer Robison: Aye, Sharon Scusa: Aye

Aye: 7, No: 0

Tom Ourada discussed proposed changes to the Crete zoning regulations regarding private swimming pools. The amendments would make Crete's regulations more consistent with IBC swimming pool regulations with several exceptions including pool cover requirements.

4. Officers' Reports

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Mayor

(SEAL)

City Clerk-Treasurer

I, Jerry Wilcox, City Clerk for the City of Crete, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council. I hereby certify that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted in the back of the Council Chambers. I certify that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk. I certify that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting and that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public. I certify that the minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of the City Council. I certify that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of the City Council were provided with advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed.

City Clerk-Treasurer

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