

CITY OF GRANT  
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**DATE** : January 5, 2021  
**TIME STARTED** : 7:00 p.m.  
**TIME ENDED** : 8:07 p.m.  
**MEMBERS PRESENT** : Councilmember Carr, Rog, Giefer,  
Schafer and Mayor Huber  
**MEMBERS ABSENT** : None

Staff members present: City Attorney, Dave Snyder; City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck; City Planner, Jennifer Swanson; and Administrator/Clerk, Kim Points

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Ms. Julia Wigman, introduced herself and stated she is the new Deputy that has been assigned to Grant. She provided her background and stated she is looking forward to working in the City.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**OATH OF OFFICE, COUNCIL MEMBER CARR, SCHAFFER AND MAYOR HUBER**

Council Member Tom Carr, Council Member Jeff Schafer and Mayor Jeff Huber took the Oath of Office.

**SETTING THE AGENDA**

**Council Member Rog moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Council Member Schafer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- December 1, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes Approved
- December 2020 Bill List, \$81,221.13 Approved
- Washing County Sheriff’s Department, 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Pay, \$68,100.10 Approved
- Clerk 2021 Pay Increase Approved

1 Council Member Giefer moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Council Member  
2 Rog seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.

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4 **2020 YEAR IN REVIEW, MAYOR HUBER**

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6 Mayor Huber stated the City has had a successful year and provided the following highlights of year  
7 2020:

- 8 • Resident driven road policy resulted in four miles of road reconstruction
- 9 • The City maintained all staff, contractors and consultants
- 10 • The City navigated through the flooded areas of the City
- 11 • The cost share internet access program to residents was successful

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13 He stated he looks forward to another successful year for the City of Grant.

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15 **STAFF AGENDA ITEMS**

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17 **City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck**

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19 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2021-03, Ordering Improvements for 105<sup>th</sup> Street and Inwood**  
20 **Avenue Street Improvements** – City Engineer Reifsteck advised the actions to be considered this  
21 evening are as follows:

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23 • Conduct Public Hearing for the 105<sup>th</sup> Street and Inwood Ave Street Improvements.
- 24 • Order Improvement Project

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26 City Engineer Reifsteck reviewed the following facts relating to the project:

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28 1. The feasibility study was accepted by Council on July 7, 2020 for the following streets:

- 29 • 105<sup>th</sup> Street N
- 30 • Inwood Ave N

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32 The estimated construction cost for the streets mentioned above is \$267,482. These costs are  
33 based upon the most recent street improvement project.

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35 2. The estimated indirect costs for the streets mentioned above is \$42,797
- 36 3. Total project costs (Construction + Engineering) is \$310,279. The City is contributing  
37 \$32,861 from roadway maintenance dollars. The total assessment amount is estimated at  
38 \$277,418.
- 39 4. The project is estimated to have a total of 22.5 buildable units.
- 40 5. For each buildable lot the assessment is estimated at \$12,329.
- 41 6. The mock assessment is attached, and the overall assessment map is shown below.

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43 If the project is ordered at the Council meeting, the potential schedule would look similar to the one  
44 shown below:

1 Public Hearing/Order Project..... January 5, 2021  
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 3 Approve Plans/Order Ad for Bids..... February 2, 2021  
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 5 Open Bids..... March 25, 2021  
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 7 Declare Cost to be Assessed/Set Public Hearing ..... April 6, 2021  
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 9 Public Hearing and Adopt Assessment..... May 4, 2021  
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 11 \*Award Construction Contract ..... June 8, 2021  
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 13 Construction Begins..... July, 2021  
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15 City Engineer Reifsteck noted the original petition that was submitted to the City included over 60%  
 16 of the affected residents in favor of the project. Many of those residents have changed their minds  
 17 and are not in favor of the project.  
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19 **Council Member Schafer moved to open the public hearing at 7:20 p.m. Council Member**  
 20 **Giefer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**  
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22 Ms. Theresa Palumbo, 10740 Inwood, stated she started the petition and hopes the project will be  
 23 considered again within the three year time period of the feasibility study. She stated she does  
 24 believe the project would increase property values to the assessed properties.  
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26 Staff provided the following addresses that provided written objections to the project:  
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| 28 10690 Inwood Ave N              | 10995 Inwood Ave N          |
| 29 8610 105 <sup>th</sup> Street N | 10777 Inwood Ave N          |
| 30 10550 Inwood Ave N              | 8540 105 <sup>th</sup> St N |
| 31 10650 Inwood Ave N              | 8610 105 <sup>th</sup> St N |
| 32 10690 Inwood Ave N              | 8770 105 <sup>th</sup> St N |
| 33 10810 Inwood Ave N              | 10509 Jamaca Ave            |
| 34 10870 Inwood Ave N              | 8805 105 <sup>th</sup> St N |
| 35 10920 Inwood Ave N              | 8533 105 <sup>th</sup> St N |
| 36 10980 Inwood Ave N              |                             |

38 **Council Member Rog moved to close the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. Council Member Schafer**  
 39 **seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**  
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41 **Council Member Giefer moved to deny Resolution No. 2021-03, as presented. Council Member**  
 42 **Rog seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**  
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44 **City Planner, Jennifer Swanson (no action items)**  
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46 **City Attorney, Dave Snyder (no action items)**  
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48 **NEW BUSINESS**

1 **Consideration of Ordinance No. 2021-62, 2021 Fee Schedule** – Staff advised the Council of the  
2 proposed changes to the fee schedule including the addition of some fees and the removal of the DVD  
3 copy fee.

4 **Council Member Giefer moved to approve Ordinance No. 2021-62, as presented. Council**  
5 **Member Schafer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

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7 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2021-01, Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 2021-62 -**  
8 Staff advised Resolution No. 2021-01 authorizes a summary publication of Ordinance No. 2021-62.

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10 **Council Member Schafer moved to adopt Resolution No. 2021-01, as presented. Council**  
11 **Member Rog seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

12 **Consideration of 2021 City Council Meeting Schedule** – Staff provided a tentative Council  
13 Meeting schedule noting all meetings are subject to change.

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15 **Council Member Rog moved to approve the 2021 City Council Meeting Schedule, as presented.**  
16 **Council Member Giefer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

17 **Consideration of 2021 Appointment List** – Staff referred to the 2021 Appointment List included in  
18 the packets noting there are no proposed changes from the 2020 Appointment List.

19 **Council Member Schafer moved to approve the 2021 Appoinment List, as presented. Council**  
20 **Member Rog seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

21 **Consideration of Resolution No. 2021-02, Abatement of Special Assessments** – Staff noted  
22 several residents pre-paid the 2020 Road Project assessment within the 30 day period. The resolution  
23 outlines the assessments that should be removed from the certification of assessment roll per the  
24 County.

25 **Council Member Rog moved to adopt Resolution No. 2021-02, as presented. Council Member**  
26 **Giefer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote.**

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28 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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30 There was no unfinished business.

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32 **DISCUSSION ITEMS (no action taken)**

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34 **Staff Updates (updates from Staff, no action taken)**

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36 **City Council Reports/Future Agenda Items**

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38 No items were placed on a future agenda.

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40 **COMMUNITY CALENDAR JANUARY 6 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2021:**

41 **Mahtomedi Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> and January 28<sup>th</sup>,**  
42 **Mahtomedi District Education Center, 7:00 p.m.**

1 **Stillwater Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, Stillwater City Hall, 7:00**  
2 **p.m.**

3 **Washington County Commissioners Meeting, Tuesdays, Government Center, 9:00 a.m.**

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5 **ADJOURNMENT**

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7 **Council Member Giefer moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m. Council Member Schafer**  
8 **seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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10 These minutes were considered and approved at the regular Council Meeting February 2, 2021.

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16 Kim Points, Administrator/Clerk

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Jeff Huber, Mayor

APPROVED