The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 5:15 p.m. on May 1, 2023 in City Hall, 50 West 13th St., 3rd Floor.

Present: Mayor Cavanagh; Council Members Farber, Jones, Resnick, Roussell, Sprank, Wethal; City Manager Van Milligen, City Attorney Brumwell.

Mayor Cavanagh read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting a work session to provide a demonstration of how the Police Department uses the Public Safety Camera system as a public safety tool, as a preventative tool, and as an investigative resource.

**WORK SESSION**

**Demonstration of Police Use of the Public Safety Cameras**

Engineering Technician, Duane Richter, demonstrated to City Council how the software updates along with the upgraded LED lighting have made a dramatic improvement on the clarity and visual impact the improvements have had on viewing camera footage.

Police Chief Jeremy Jensen, Corporal Officer Jordan Waddick, and Investigating Officer Nicholas Schlosser demonstrated how the Dubuque Police Department used the Public Safety Camera system to solve crimes such as murder, robbery, gun trafficking, hit and run accidents, and ATM skimmers. Many of these crimes are committed by nonresidents of Dubuque, making the camera system the primary investigation tool in tracking persons that are entering the Dubuque city limits to commit their crime and then immediately exiting the city limits.

The camera footage used to apprehend a suspect(s), becomes vital in the prosecution of the criminal(s) and many times leads to the criminal(s) pleading guilty, saving lengthy and expensive trials.

The public safety camera system can also be used for water resources and incidences that occur on the Mississippi River.

The drawback of the current public safety camera system is the number of hours required to review camera footage once an incident is reported. Officers indicated that the implementation of an auto plate reader system would save many hours of reviewing footage tracking criminal activities once a crime has occurred. Officers explained that the system is designed in a way that it specifically looks for and notifies the local police when activity on a manually pre-entered license plate is detected.

Dubuque’s camera system is envied by many cities throughout the United States as a productive system used by the police department in curtailing local criminal activity so efficiently.

There being no further business, Mayor Cavanagh declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

/s/Trish L. Gleason, MMC, Assistant City Clerk
The Dubuque City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on May 1, 2023, in the second-floor Council Chambers of the Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6th Street.

Present: Mayor Cavanagh; Council Members Farber, Jones, Resnick, Roussell, Sprank, Wenthal; City Manager Van Milligen, City Attorney Brumwell.

Mayor Cavanagh read the call and stated this is a regular session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting such business that may properly come before the City Council.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SWEARING IN

Mayor Pro Tem Katy Wenthal was sworn in by Mayor Brad Cavanagh.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. Presentation of the Iowa Urban Tree Council Outstanding Civic Leader Award: Dubuque Trees Forever Board member, Steve Pregler and Park Division Manager, Stephen Fehsal recognized Council Member Laura Roussell for receiving the Outstanding Civic Leader award from the Iowa Urban Tree Council.

2. Flood Control Update: Public Works Director John Klosterman presented information on the low impact to residents that the third highest river stage of the Mississippi River in the Dubuque area had, due to the extraordinary flood mitigation projects that have been completed in the last few years. A video produced by the Public Information Office on flood control updates was viewed. The video can be viewed at https://youtu.be/PJLbgr2KpJg. Assistant City Engineer, Bob Schiesl presented ariel maps that were used to determine the flooding outcomes based on numerous possible river stages. The council thanked all involved for making this flooding occurrence safe and practically unnoticeable to residents.

PROCLAMATION(S)

1. Mental Health Month (May 2023) was accepted by Brenna Burgat, along with Sue Whitty, and Diane Heiken on behalf of Mental Health America of Dubuque County.

2. Community Action Month (May 2023) was accepted by Whitney Sanger on behalf of Hawkeye Area Community Action Program (HACAP).

3. Preservation Month (May 2023) was accepted by Melissa Daykin Cassill on behalf
of the Planning Services Department and the Historic Preservation Commission.

4. Jewish American Heritage Month (May 2023) was accepted by Council Member Susan Farber on behalf of Temple Beth El.

5. Public Service Recognition Week (May 7-13, 2023) was accepted by City staff members: Connie Mueller, Felicia Carner and, Jenny Messerich on behalf of the City of Dubuque Employee Recognition Committee.

6. Great Give Day (May 17, 2023) was accepted by Peter Supple on behalf of the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, and dispose of as indicated. Seconded by Wethal. Motion carried 7-0.


2. Approval of City Expenditures: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 121-23 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer/City Treasurer to make certain payments of bills that must be paid and approved for payment in accordance with City procedures was adopted.

3. Award Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Consultant [CIP# 5581500026]: Authorization to negotiate and enter into a contract with HDR Engineering to provide engineering services for the Sanitary Sewer Asset Management Plan. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

4. Mystique Community Ice Center a.k.a. Dubuque Ice Arena - Rink Ice System Removal and Replacement Project - Acceptance of Public Improvement Construction Contract: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 122-23 Accepting the Mystique Ice Center - Rink Ice System Removal and Replacement Project and authorizing the payment to the contractor was adopted.

5. 2023 Asphalt Overlay Ramp Project Four: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 123-23 Awarding Public Improvement Contract for the 2023 Asphalt Overlay Ramp Project Four was adopted.

6. East-West Corridor Capacity Improvements - Professional Consultant Services Contract - Supplemental Agreement No. 1 - Preliminary Engineering Design and Environmental Clearance Phase: Upon motion the documents were received and filed,
and Resolution No. 124-23 Approving the Consultant Professional Services - Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between HDR Inc. and the City of Dubuque for the East-West Corridor Capacity Improvements was adopted.

7. Grants and Strategic Partnership Website and Story Map Update: Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

8. Dubuque Police Department 2022 Crime Statistics Handout: Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

9. Signed Contract(s): ViDL Solutions for professional/technical services. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

10. Proposed Amendment to Master Co-location and Shared Services Agreement Between the City of Dubuque and Unite Private Network: Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

11. Approval of Retail Alcohol Licenses: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 125-23 Approving applications for retail alcohol licenses, as required by City of Dubuque Code of Ordinances Title 4 Business and License Regulations, Chapter 2 Liquor Control, Article B Liquor, Beer and Wine Licenses and Permits was adopted.

ITEMS SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, and set the public hearings as indicated. Seconded by Farber. Motion carried 7-0.

1. Municipal Services Center Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations Project: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 126-23 Municipal Services Center EV Charging Stations Project: preliminary approval of plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost; setting date of public hearing on plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost for the Municipal Services Center EV Charging Stations Project was adopted setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on May 15, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

2. 2023 Pavement Marking Project: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 127-23 Pavement Marking Project 2023: preliminary approval of plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost; setting date of public hearing on plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost; and ordering the advertisement for bids was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on May 15, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

3. Sale of City-Owned Lot at 590 Clarke Drive: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 128-23 Intent to dispose of an interest in City of Dubuque real estate to Ry Meyer, setting a time and place for hearing, and providing for
the publication of notice thereof was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on May 15, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

4. Fiscal Year 2023 Second Budget Amendment: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 129-23 Setting the date for the Public Hearing on Amendment No. 2 to the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget for the City of Dubuque was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on May 15, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

5. Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan for Greater Downtown Urban Renewal Area, Version 2023.3: Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 130-23 Authorizing and directing the City Manager to prepare an Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan, Version 2023.3 for the Greater Downtown Urban Renewal District and setting the date for a public hearing and consultation on the proposed Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan, Version 2023.3 for said district was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on May 15, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

6. Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan for Dubuque Industrial Center Urban Renewal Area, Version 2023.3: Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 131-23 Authorizing and directing the City Manager to prepare an Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan Version 2023.3 for the Dubuque Industrial Center Economic Development District, setting a date for the public hearing and directing the consultation process on the proposed Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan Version 2023.3 for said district was adopted setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on June 5, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

7. Jule Public Hearing - Iowa Department of Transportation’s Consolidated Funding Application: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 132-23 Setting the date for a public hearing on Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) Consolidated Funding Application was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on June 5, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

8. Community Development Block Grant Fiscal Year 23 Annual Action Plan Amendment #2 Public Hearing: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 133-23 Setting a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2023 (Program Year 2022) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan Amendment #2 was adopted, setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on June 5, 2023, in the Historic Federal Building.

**BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**

Applications were reviewed for the following Boards and Commissions. Applicants were invited to address the City Council regarding their desire to serve on the following Boards/Commissions.
i. Equity and Human Rights Commission: One, 3-Year term through January 1, 2024 (Vacant term of Evans) Applicants: Pamela Birch, 1550 Butterfield Dr.; Michaela Freiburger, 1718 Diane Ct.; Kristen Leffler, 159 Julien Dubuque Dr.; Candace Raymond, 1155 Tressa St.; Theresa Sampson Brown, 2285 Clydesdale Ct.; Nina Streuslin, 3904 Cora Dr. This commission is subject to the State of Iowa Gender Balance Law, §69.16A. 9 Commissioners total; currently 4 males/4 females/ 1 opening.

ii. Long Range Planning Advisory Commission: One, 3-Year term through July 1, 2025 (Vacant term of Krayer) Applicant: Cliff Conrad, 135 West 17th St.

PUBLIC HEARINGS


2. Resolution Approving the Proposed First Amendment to Development Agreement by and between the City of Dubuque and Seippel Warehouse, LLC providing for the issuance of Urban Renewal Tax Increment Revenue Grant Obligations pursuant to the Development Agreement: Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 135-23 Approving the First Amendment to Development Agreement between the City of Dubuque, Iowa and Seippel Warehouse, LLC. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

ACTION ITEMS

1. 2023 Ken Kringle Awards Presentation: Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and listen to the presentation. Seconded by Jones. Historic Preservation Commission Vice Chairperson Thea Dement and Assistant Planner Chris Olson gave a brief presentation showing the winners of the awards and their projects. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Recommendation for Renaming of the Former Pyatigorsk Park to Jaycee Park: Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents and discuss amongst council. Seconded by Sprank. The council thanked the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission for their hard work and dedication to the process of reviewing all the submissions provided by individuals and organizations and presenting the City Council with a recommendation. A lengthy and detailed council discussion ensued regarding the recommended renaming of the park. Amended motion by Farber to rename the former Pyatigorsk Park to Sister City International Park. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried 4-3 with Roussell, Resnick, and Wethal voting nay.

3. Comiskey Park – Phase 1 Redevelopment Project: Painting of Basketball Court and Splash Pad Schedule Change: Motion by Sprank to receive and file the documents.
Seconded by Farber. The council thanked Leisure Services Manager Marie Ware for finding cost-saving alternatives and being fiscally responsible. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Sustainable Dubuque Grant Recommendations: Motion by Resnick, to receive and file and adopt the resolutions. Seconded by Wethal. Council Member Jones noted that the application from Tri-State Christian School should be disqualified as they are not located within the corporate city limits of Dubuque. Therefore, the resolution entitled “Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to Tri-State Christian School” should not be approved because they are not located within the corporate city limits of Dubuque. Council discussion ensued regarding a previous year’s grant that had been awarded to Tri-State Christian School. The council also discussed the policy that the applicants must fall within the corporate city limits of Dubuque and adhering to that policy going forward.

Amended motion by Jones to disqualify Tri-State Christian School’s application. Seconded by Farber. Motion carried 6-1 with Resnick voting nay.

Mayor Cavanagh restated the motion on the floor as motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 136-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to Centrally Rooted Mission, Inc., Resolution No. 137-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to Convivium Urban Farmstead, Resolution No. 138-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to the Four Mounds Foundation, Resolution No. 139-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to the Nova Elite Youth Basketball, Resolution No. 140-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to St. Mark Youth Enrichment, and Resolution No. 142-23 Awarding Sustainable Dubuque Grant to the Valentine Park Community Garden. Seconded by Farber. Motion carried 6-1 with Resnick voting nay.

5. Agreement with CCI5, LLC – Right of Way/Land Transfers at the intersection of Bies Drive, Sylvan Drive and Century Drive: Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 143-23 Approving an Agreement between the City of Dubuque, Iowa and CCI5, LLC. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

6. National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Local Arts Agency (LAA) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Creative Empowerment Subgrant Funding Recommendation for Round 1: Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and approve. Seconded by Roussell. Motion carried 7-0.

7. Proposed 14th Amendment to Master Co-location and Shared Services Agreement between the City of Dubuque and ImOn Communications LLC: Motion by Farber to receive and file the documents and approve. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried 7-0.

8. Cancel May 15, 2023, Sustainable Dubuque Work Session: Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and cancel the work session as recommended. Seconded by Roussell. Motion carried 7-0.

9. FLOCK Safety Automated License Plate Reader Presentation - Time Change for May 15, 2023, Work Session: Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents and change the time of the May 15, 2023, work session to 5:45 p.m. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.
10. Work Session Request: Speed Study Data related to Automated Speed Enforcement Recommendation: Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and schedule the work session for Tuesday, June 20, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council Member Roussell reported on attending the Dubuque Federation of Labor Temple speaking at the Worker Memorial where they read the names of 50 individuals who died in the workplace. Ms. Roussell advised everyone to work together to make workspaces a safe space.

Mayor Cavanagh reported on attending the Julien Dubuque International Film Festival, stating that it is a great expression of film and art and an affirmation that what Dubuque is doing for the arts in the community is registering with people outside of our community.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Jones to convene in closed session at 8:32 p.m. to discuss Purchase or Sale of Real Estate – Chapter 21.5(1)(j) Code of Iowa. Seconded by Wethal. Mayor Cavanagh stated for the record that the attorney who will consult with City Council on the issues to be discussed in the closed session is City Attorney Crenna Brumwell. Motion carried 7-0.

Upon motion, the City Council reconvened in open session at 9:49 p.m. stating that staff had been given proper direction.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Cavanagh declared the meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

/s/Trish L. Gleason, MMC, Assistant City Clerk