The Dubuque City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on January 3, 2018, in the Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6th Street.

Present: Mayor Buol; Council Members Del Toro, Jones, Larson, Resnick, Rios (via phone), Shaw; City Manager Van Milligen, City Attorney Brumwell

Mayor Buol 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

1. Swearings-In: Mayor-Elect Roy D. Buol was sworn in by City Clerk Kevin Firnstahl. Council Members-Elect Ric W. Jones, Kate M. Larson and Brett M. Shaw; and Mayor Pro-Tem David T. Resnick were sworn in by Mayor Buol.

PROCLAMATION(S)

1. Radon Action Month (January 2018) was accepted by Brett Patterson of Patterson Comfort & Safety and Public Health Specialist Mary Rose Corrigan.

CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, and dispose of as indicated. Seconded by Del Toro. Jones requested Item #4 be held for separate discussion. Motion carried 7-0.

1. Minutes and Reports Submitted: City Council Proceedings of 12/18/17; Civil Service Commission of 12/20/17; Library Board of Trustees Minutes of 10/19/17 and Council Update #166 of 12/21/17; Transit Advisory Board of 12/14/17; Proof of Publication for City Council Proceedings of 12/14/17. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

2. Notice of Claims and Suits: Merlin Atkinson for property damage; Amanda Loeffelholz for vehicle damage; Molly Skoglund for vehicle damage. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and referred to the City Attorney.

3. Disposition of Claims: City Attorney advising that the following claims have been referred to Public Entity Risk Services of Iowa, the agent for the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool: Amanda Loeffelholz for vehicle damage; Molly Skoglund for vehicle damage. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and concurred.
4. Teri Goodmann Appointed to National League of Cities 2018 Finance, Administration & Intergovernmental Relations Committee: City Manager transmitting information from the National League of Cities (NLC) advising that Assistant City Manager Teri Goodmann has been appointed to the NLC's 2018 Finance, Administration & Intergovernmental Relations (FAIR) Committee. Motion by Jones to receive and file the documents. Seconded by Resnick. Jones congratulated Ms. Goodmann on her appointment. Motion carried 7-0.

5. Valentine Park Expansion Grant Award: City Manager transmitting the award letter for a $70,000 Catfish Creek Watershed State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) request for the Valentine Park Expansion project. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

6. Greater Downtown Urban Renewal District - Resolution Nunc Pro Tunc: City Manager recommending approval of a resolution correcting the map and legal description in the Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan for the Greater Downtown Urban Renewal District adopted December 4, 2017. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 381-17-A Nunc Pro Tunc correcting the amending a scrivener's error in certain legal descriptions included in the Amended and Restated Urban Renewal Plan for the Greater Downtown Urban Renewal District was adopted.

7. Weaver Castle, LLC - Fourth Amendment to Development Agreement for 346-348 W. Locust Street: City Manager recommending approval of the 4th Amendment to the Development Agreement with Weaver Castle LLC for the redevelopment of the property at 346-348 West Locust Street, that extends the completion date to June 30, 2019. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 1-18 Approving the Fourth Amendment to the Development Agreement between the City of Dubuque, Iowa and Weaver Castle, LLC was adopted.

8. Approval of Plat of Survey - Lot 175A East Dubuque Addition in the City of Dubuque (Elm and Pine Streets): City Manager recommending approval of the Plat of Survey of Lot 175A of East Dubuque Addition, that vacates a portion of the alley right-of-way between Elm Street and Pine Street and between E. 17th St. and E. 18th St., as part of the Metx, LLC Renovation Project at 1690 Elm Street. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 2-18 Approving the Plat of Proposed Vacated Right-of-Way of the 20-foot alley between Elm Street and Pine Street and lying north of East 17th Street and south of East 18th Street, in the City of Dubuque, Iowa was adopted.

9. Grandview Avenue Street Light & Fiber Project Award: City Manager recommending that the award for the Grandview Avenue Street Light and Fiber Project award to Eastern Iowa Directional Driller, LLC be officially recorded in the minutes of the City Council. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and made a Matter of Record.

10. Fiscal Year 2017 CIPP Sanitary Sewer Lining Project Acceptance: City Manager recommending acceptance of the public improvement construction contract for the FY2017 Sanitary Sewer Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Lining Project, as completed by
Insituform Technologies. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 3-18 Accepting the FY17 Sanitary Sewer Cured-in-Place (CIPP) Lining Project and authorizing the payment to the contractor was adopted.

11. Grandview Avenue and Delhi Street Roundabout Intersection Improvement Project Acceptance: City Manager recommending acceptance of the public improvement for the North Grandview Avenue and Delhi Street Roundabout Intersection Improvement Project as completed by Portzen Construction. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 4-18 Accepting the North Grandview Avenue & Delhi Street Roundabout Intersection Improvement Project and authorizing the payment of the contract amount to the contractor was adopted.

12. Alcohol License Applications: City Manager recommending approval of annual beer, liquor and wine licenses as submitted. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 5-18 Approving applications for beer, liquor, and/or wine permits, 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 Resnick to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, set the public hearings as indicated, and direct the City Clerk to publish notice as prescribed by law. Seconded by Del Toro. Motion carried 7-0.

1. Metx, LLC, - Vacating Petition for Alley Right-of-Way: City Manager recommending that the City Council set a public hearing for January 16, 2018 on the disposal of the property to be known as Lot 175A of East Dubuque Addition to the City of Dubuque, Iowa as part of the Metx, LLC Renovation Project at 1690 Elm Street. Upon motion the documents were received and filed and Resolution No. 6-18 Resolution of Intent to Vacate and dispose of City Interest in the right-of-way of the 20-foot alley between Elm Street and Pine Street and lying north of East 17th Street and south of East 18th Street, In the City of Dubuque, Iowa to Metx, LLC was adopted setting a public hearing for a meeting to commence at 6:00 p.m. on January 16, 2018 in the Historic Federal Building.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

Boards and Commission Applicant Review. Applicants were invited to address the City Council regarding their desire to serve on the following Boards/Commissions.

1. Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission: One, 3-year term through June 30, 2018 (Vacant term of Larson). Applicants: Adam Babinat, 54 Milwaukee St.; Luke Roth, 904 Barbaralee Dr.; Daniel Rothert, 85 Freemont Ave.; Ray Werner, 2595 Greeley St. Mr. Rothert and Mr. Werner spoke in support of their respective appointments and provided brief biographies.

ACTION ITEMS
1. Mayor and City Council Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions: The City Council discussed appointments and representation on their various boards and commissions and determined changes. Resnick thanked the City Clerk’s Office for compiling the information and emphasized the value of tenure and knowledge gained from each board. He added that his schedule only allows for the boards he is already representing. Shaw stated that it would be difficult for him to maintain all the noon-time meetings that Kevin Lynch previously attended but was interested in the Dubuque Initiatives Board and the Dubuque County Early Childhood Board. Del Toro stated that he would be willing to vacate the Operation New View Board and River Valley Initiative. Jones stated that he has difficulty making the Dubuque Main Street Board of Directors and Executive Board meetings and it should be the same representative on each for continuity. Rios expressed ability to take some boards that other Council Members can’t make as long as they didn’t conflict with each other.

Mayor Buol asked for staff to research the requirement for the Mayor to sit on the Friends of the Mines of Spain Advisory Board, and if not, Larson would be interested attending. He added that discussion of a Council policy regarding memberships could be part of the February 27, 2018 Governance Session facilitated by Sumek Associates. He also noted that attendance is important to help the agencies maintain a quorum and conduct business.

The following changes/exchanges were determined:

- Dubuque Convention and Visitors Bureau / Travel Dubuque: Del Toro will replace Rios
- Dubuque County Early Childhood Board: Del Toro will replace Shaw;
- Dubuque Racing Association Board: Rios will replace Shaw (Tentative);
- Operation New View Board: Shaw will replace Del Toro;
- River Valley Initiative Foundation Board: Larson will replace Del Toro.

Mayor Buol asked that appointments in question be discussed further at the February 5, 2018 meeting. Buol and Rios expressed an interest in the two Dubuque Main Street Boards and Larson expressed an interest in Friends of the Mines of Spain. Confirmation of a DRA representative is also needed.

Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents and confirm the changes as noted. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried 7-0.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Council Member Larson reported that she is excited to serve the City of Dubuque and thanked the voters who supported her and out-going Council Member Joyce Connors for her years of service.

Mayor Buol wished everyone a Happy New Year on behalf of the Council and is looking forward to what can be achieved in the next four years.

There being no further business, upon motion the City Council adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

/s/Kevin S. Firnstahl, CMC
City Clerk
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