

An April to remember.

What unique times we are in! I hope you have taken a moment to write down some of your thoughts, take photos, and help document this time for yourselves. As we all work to adjust our lives to the ever-changing circumstances these past few months we forget to pause and possibly appreciate how adaptable we are. We may not enjoy all the changes, however it does show our resiliency, and we should not take that for granted! Now let me get you caught up on the month. As a reminder our council meetings are being conducted online and the city provides links for these to be viewed through city social media and our website. Feel free to tune in each month!

First off, council approved a quote to remove asbestos from the house at 1600 Rowley. Next, Randy Zbanek presented the Fire Department's plan for utilizing the house for training which is planned for May 9th with a backup date of June 13th. Council approved the plan. As much as the Fire Department would like to make this exercise open for public viewing the decision on that will be based on the current rules in place at the time of the training. The city will work with the fire department to keep the residents informed.

Second, council discussed a revised draft of the vicious animal ordinance that removed breed-specific language as well as to lay out penalties for owners and an insurance requirement for suspected cases. Further study will be done by the city attorney and a final draft will be presented to the public and council for during the first reading at May's council meeting. Please note that there is a required 2nd and 3rd reading before any changes will be approved so there will be plenty of time for residents to review the changes and discuss any concerns they have with council.

Third, council discussed a draft Mobile Food Units ordinance. After review of the

document some minor changes where made. The first reading of the final draft will be held at May's council meeting.

Fourth, a motion was made to set a public hearing for a budget amendment for fiscal year 2020 budget.

Lastly, I wanted to update you up on the hiring process for the new City Admin. Zoom interviews were held last week for the semi-finalists and two applicants were chosen as finalists for interviews on May 2nd. The goal is to extend an offer after the second round of interviews and have the new person in place by June. I want to also thank Jeff for his time with the city and wish him the best of luck in his new en devours!

Thanks for taking the time to get caught up. As always, if you have any questions feel free to reach out via the contact info below. Until next time!

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