

**CITY OF HARTFORD
COMMON COUNCIL
April 14, 2020**

The Common Council of the City of Hartford, Washington and Dodge Counties, Wisconsin, met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, 7:00 p.m., via YouTube Live, Mayor Timothy Michalak presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Michalak led the Common Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The Mayor and all Alderpersons were present.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, and seconded by Alderperson Turchi authorizing the purchase of seven squad mobile video recorders for a price not to exceed \$28,385. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMUNICATIONS

There was no communications.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Michalak thanked City Clerk Lori Hetzel and her team for all their work and efforts relating to the April 7th election.

Mayor Michalak read a proclamation recognizing Friday, April 24, 2020, as National Arbor Day.

Mayor Michalak noted that the City of Hartford parks are and will remain open during the COVID-19 shutdown, with no plans to close them at this time. Citizens are reminded to observe social distancing when using the parks.

ALDERMANIC REQUESTS

Several alderpersons thanked City Clerk Lori Hetzel and all those that worked on the April 7th election. Alderperson Wintringer mentioned this was his last meeting. He noted that it was a pleasure for him to serve on the Common Council and he thanked everyone for their support. Several alderpersons thanked Alderperson Wintringer for his service and wished him well. Alderperson Hegy congratulated Alderperson-elect Kyle Sikora. Alderperson Rusniak

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questioned why the Common Council could not meet in the Common Council Chambers with the proper precautions. The Mayor noted that there could not be more than 10 people in the room which would not be feasible with both the Common Council and staff present. Alderperson Kohler also thanked the police, first responders, and fire personnel for their efforts in helping keep everyone safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Alderperson Fulop reminded citizens to maintain social distancing when out in public in order to keep everyone safe. Alderperson Turchi urged residents to support local restaurants if they can during the shutdown.

PUBLIC HEARING "A"

Amendment to City of Hartford
2030 Smart Growth Plan

Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing open. The notice of public hearing as published in the March 13, 2020 Daily News, and as sent to 64 affected property owners, was read by City Clerk Lori Hetzel.

The adopted Smart Growth Plan identifies 780 East Loos Street for medium density residential, mixed single and two-family. The applicant is requesting commercial development, specifically B-4 Professional Office District. The portion of this parcel that is wetland is designated as conservancy and is not developable. The applicant proposes an office building to house a consulting business. The business, Prescription Analytics, is currently located at 823 East Sumner Street. The proposed B-4 Professional Office District is appropriate for the business and is an appropriate zoning for the parcel considering the uses surrounding the north section of the property (commercial and medium-density residential). Staff believes the proposed zoning is an appropriate alternative to the Smart Growth/Long Range Land Use map designation of mixed single and two family development. A professional office building would be a less-intense use than multiple dwelling units located close to East Sumner Street's commercial corridor. Staff recommends the amendment to the Smart Growth Plan for 780 East Sumner Street to allow for a rezoning to B-4 Professional Office District.

Under "appearances for" Patrick Patton with Prescription Analytics spoke about the company and their proposal for the property. Under "appearances against" City Planner Drew read correspondence from Terry and Kathy Kowalski, 855 East Loos Street #2, expressing opposition to the proposed office building. Alderpersons Wintringer, Rusniak and Hegy all spoke in support of the proposed development, which they believe will be a good fit for the area. There being no further comments, Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing closed.

Ordinance No. 1416

AN ORDINANCE REVISING THE 2030 CITY
OF HARTFORD SMART GROWTH PLAN

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MOTION by Alderperson Turchi, and seconded by Alderperson Wintringer to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance 1416. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Alderperson Wintringer, and seconded by Alderperson Turchi for the adoption of proposed Ordinance 1416. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC HEARING "B"

Rezoning for 780 East Sumner Street

Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing open. The notice of public hearing as published in the March 27, 2020 and April 3, 2020 Daily News, and as sent to affected property owners, was read by City Clerk Lori Hetzel.

Keller Incorporated, representing Prescription Analytics, has requested rezoning for 780 East Loos Street from A-1 Agricultural District to B-4 Professional Office District. Prescription Analytics is a consulting firm specializing in supporting pharmaceutical, life science and biotechnology companies. They have outgrown their current location at 823 East Sumner Street and have been looking for expansion opportunities that allow them to stay in the City. The proposed location at 780 East Loos Street was originally intended for residential development but given that the parcel has a large area made up of wetlands that is inappropriate for development, the lesser impact of a single professional office development makes sense. The site plan for the proposed structures indicate plenty of room to meet setback requirements for the B-4 zoning and for required wetland buffer setbacks.

There were no appearances for the proposed rezoning. City Planner Drew read a letter from Pam Ehrlich, 208 Misty Meadows Blvd, expressing opposition to the proposal. Alderperson Fulop thanked Mr. Patton for choosing to remain and expand the business in Hartford. Alderperson Wintringer spoke in support of the proposal. There being no further comments, Mayor Michalak declared the public hearing closed.

Ordinance No. 1417

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING
MAP, A PART OF ORDINANCE 278**

MOTION by Alderperson Mixon, and seconded by Alderperson Turchi to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance 1417. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Alderperson Turchi, and seconded by Alderperson Wintringer for the adoption of proposed Ordinance 1417. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 3569

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ADOPTION OF FFCRA

With the recently Federal enacted Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) effective April 1, 2020, the City is responding by having proposed Resolution 3569 which explains how City staff will be treated under this act.

MOTION by Alderperson Mixon, and seconded by Alderperson Kohler for the adoption of proposed Resolution 3569. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1418

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 22.02(2)(n) OF THE
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING VIOLATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**

On March 12, 2020, Governor Evers declared a public health emergency to direct all resources needed to respond to and contain COVID-19 in Wisconsin. On March 25, 2020, the State of Wisconsin and Washington County issued Orders under Chapter 252 of the Wisconsin Statutes relating to the COVID-19 crisis, and non-compliance with orders under Chapter 252 endangers the health and safety of the public and there constitutes a Public Nuisance affecting health. Proposed Ordinance 1418 addresses violation of the public health orders.

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, and seconded by Alderperson Rusniak to suspend the rules for immediate consideration of proposed Ordinance 1418. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION by Alderperson Mixon, and seconded by Alderperson Kohler for the adoption of proposed Ordinance 1418. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator Volkert reviewed the unaudited, preliminary fourth quarter summary comparison of 2019 to the four prior years for general fund revenues and expenditures.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Alderperson Mixon, and seconded by Alderperson Wintringer for adjournment. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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