

City of Ellendale
April 4th, 2024
Special Council Meeting
7:15 pm

Agenda

7:15 Call Meeting to Order

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approve Agenda

7:05 Agenda Items

1. **Resolution 2024-12** A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA WORKFORCE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
 - Discussion on Resolution and Application for funding with matching funds

7:20 Adjournment

**MINUTES OF ELLENDALE
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, APRIL 4TH, 7:15 PM**

Present: Mayor Matthew Bartsch; Council Members Derek Bartness, Scott Groth, Jon Asplund and Jackie Froman; Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Steve Engel.

Absent: None

Visitors: Waylon Busho, Logan Busho

Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm by Mayor Matthew Bartsch.

Agenda: A motion was made to approve the Agenda by Council Member Scott Groth. Council Member Derek Bartness advanced. Motion carried, all in favor.

New Business:

1. Resolution 2024-12, A Resolution Supporting an Application to the Minnesota Workforce Housing Development Program. Mayor Bartsch explained the purpose of this meeting is to review and discuss the proposed Resolution for applying for additional funds through the Workforce Housing program.

Council member Jon Asplund inquired about the amount of funding the city is already applying to the project and wanted clarity on the TIF District funding and the terms, regarding the tenant requirements. He wanted clarity on whether the TIF agreement includes subsidized apartment rates and/or subsidized renting. He also wanted to understand what the effects are on the city's liability to pay back the multi-housing deferred loans, in case of default by the developer, within the 3-year loan term agreement. Engel will check into the TIF District & Agreement terms.

Mayor Bartsch reiterated that this resolution was only for supporting the application for additional funds and to assure the Multi-housing agency of our matching funds to meet the asking amount. The council can look into accepting or denying the awards at a later date, if there are other concerns or issues with the developer's ability to obtain the necessary financing. Engel stated there is no guarantee we will be awarded any funds or if awarded, that it would be the which is \$659,308.00. Our matching funds are the infrastructure and engineering expenses, along with the land value of \$170,000. The total is \$329,654.

Council Member Froman stated she wants to see more housing in Ellendale but not if the project is going to cause problems for the city and the residents.

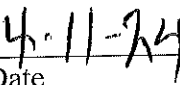
Council Member Groth remarked that we have come this far with this project and have everything in place from the city's perspective, why wouldn't we continue on? We know there is a need for housing and this is the only opportunity we've had, with a developer who is willing to take it on.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2024-12 by Council member Scott Groth. Council member Derek Bartness advanced. Motion carried. Vote: Mayor Bartsch Aye, Council Members: Groth Aye, Froman Nay, Asplund Aye, Bartness Aye.

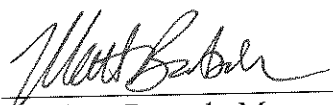
A motion was made by Council Member Derek Bartness to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm. Council Member Jackie Froman advanced. Motion carried, all in favor.



Steve Engel, deputy City Clerk/Treasurer



Date



Matthew Bartsch, Mayor

4/11/2024

Date

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