

GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 1, 2021

6:30 p.m.

Location - Events Center in the remodeled addition (southwest room)

The Council meeting will be livestreamed for public to view on our city council Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/qbcitycouncil/>.

AGENDA

Members present:

<input type="checkbox"/> Mayor Cody Schmidt	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Cory Urban
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Kevyn Soupiset	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Lindsey Krom-Craven
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Brock McPherson	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Junior Welsch
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Alan Moeder	<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Davis Jimenez
<input type="checkbox"/> Councilmember Jolene Biggs	<input type="checkbox"/> Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer
<input type="checkbox"/> Administrator Kendal Francis	<input type="checkbox"/> Attorney Robert Suelter

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on February 16, 2021.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 3-1-21:** Covering 2021 bills to date.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 2-26-21:** Covering payroll ending February 20, 2021 in the amount of \$442,217.63.
- d) **Appointments:** Mayor Schmidt will make appointments as appropriate.
- e) **Agenda:** Approval of agenda as submitted or amended.

B. OLD BUSINESS

C. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The public is free to comment on items not listed on the agenda. Please address comments to the City Council as a body and be mindful of others who may also wish to speak by limiting comments to 3 minutes.

1. **Sunflower Diversified:** Jon Prescott, Executive Director, would like to give an update on the Transportation Facility to the Governing Body.

D. NEW BUSINESS

- 2. Councilmember Reports:** Councilmembers will report on the boards and commissions that they serve on.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 3. Administrators Update:** City Administrator Kendal Francis will present an update on what is happening within the City organization.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 4. Economic Development Report:** Economic Development Inc. President Sara Hayden will present her monthly report.

Recommendation: Informational item.

- 5. Abatements:** Property Maintenance Enforcement Manager Austin LaViolette will present abatements.

Recommendation: Take action on abatements.

- 6. CDBG Award:** The City was recently notified by Department of Commerce that we were awarded a \$600,000 community development block grant (CDBG) to help fund improvements to an approximately 13 block section of Broadway between Polk & Morton Streets and the reconstruction of the intersection at 19th & Harrison. The grant does require a local match for the project which is projected to be \$692,800. However, we anticipate the actual amount being less as city staff will handle construction inspections. City Administrator Kendal Francis will report.

Recommendation: Motion authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement accepting the grant.

- 7. Turf Project:** At the February 16th work session, the city council heard a presentation regarding a collaboration between the City, USD 428 & Great Bend Recreation Commission to install artificial turf on the infields & bullpens of the 4 sports complex fields & Langrehr field. Following discussion, the council gave its consensus to move forward with the project. More details will be provided later in the week. City Administrator Kendal Francis.

Recommendation: Take appropriate action.

- 8. Request for Executive Session:** An executive session has been requested to discuss information deemed privileged in the attorney-client relation. The

executive session shall include the Governing Body, the City Administrator, and the City Attorney.

Recommendation: Motion to recess into executive session for a period of 15 minutes to discuss pending litigation pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2), consultation with an attorney for the body which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, with the regular meeting to resume in the City Council Chambers at ____:____.

ADJOURNMENT

WORKSESSION AGENDA 3/1/2021

1. City Engineer