

GREAT BEND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 1, 2022

6:30 p.m.

Location – City Hall Council Chambers

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

AGENDA

Members present:

__ Mayor Cody Schmidt	__ Councilmember Cory Urban
__ Councilmember Kevyn Soupiset	__ Councilmember Lindsey Krom-Craven
__ Councilmember Brock McPherson	__ Councilmember Natalie Towns
__ Councilmember Alan Moeder	__ Councilmember Davis Jimenez
__ Councilmember Jolene Biggs	__ Attorney Allen Glendenning
__ Administrator Kendal Francis	__ Clerk/Finance Director Shawna Schafer

OPENING: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. CONSENT AGENDA

- a) **Minutes:** Minutes of the Regular Session held on July 18, 2022.
- b) **Claim's Warrant Register 8-1-22:** Covering 2022 bills to date.
- c) **Payroll Register P/R 7-29-22:** Covering payroll ending July 23, 2022, in the amount of \$346,838.66.
- 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.

D. NEW BUSINESS

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

Recommendation: Informational item.

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

Recommendation: Informational item.

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

Recommendation: Informational item.

4. **Abatements:** Code Enforcement Hoyt Kinsinger will present abatements.

Recommendation: Take action on abatements.

5. **City Owned Parking Lot:** Joe Andrasek would like to address the Governing Body about purchasing the city owned parking lot located on Williams between 11th and 12th Street behind Charlies.

Recommendation: Take appropriate action.

6. **Moderate Income Housing Grant:** GBED is proposing that the city apply for the Moderate Income Housing grant on behalf of GBED. This grant does not require the city to put in any additional funds to see the project through. GBED is proposing that the city apply for these funds and allow them to be used towards the building of affordable housing in the Zarah Mall building downtown. We selected this building because of the number of units that will be able to be constructed. The purpose of this grant is to put more funds into a housing project to allow the owner to then rent the units for a lesser amount. GBED recognizes this grant as an opportunity to welcome more funds into our community to contribute to our housing obstacles and allow for nicer housing options to be available at an affordable cost. Economic Development Inc. President Sara Hayden will report.

Recommendation: Motion to approve Resolution Number 080122-, indicating the Governing Body's support for the submission of the Moderate Income Housing Grant Application.

- 7. Applications for Airport Property Tax Exemption:** The City-owned aircraft hangars at the airport are essential to the operation of the airport. Under Kansas Statute 79-201q(attached), all such property is exempt from all property or ad valorem taxes. Two of the city-owned hangars are currently assessed property taxes. Airport Manager Martin Miller will report.

Recommendation: Motion to authorize the Mayor to execute property tax exempt requests, under K.S.A. 79-213, for the hangars located at 545 D Street and 9030 – 4th Street.

ADJOURNMENT

WORKSESSION AGENDA 8/1/2022

- 1. Agency Budget Request**
- 2. Council Stipend**