

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OF THE
CITY OF LOWELL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2013, 7 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; ROLL CALL**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor James Hodges and City Clerk Betty Morlock called the roll.

Present: Councilmembers Jeff Altoft, Chris Schwab, Jim Hall, Sharon Ellison and Mayor James Hodges.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Mark Howe, City Clerk Betty Morlock, City Attorney Richard Wendt, Police Officer Chris Hurst, DPW Director Dan DesJarden, Light and Power Boardmember Perry Beachum, Light and Power Board Chair Greg Canfield and Light Power General Manager Greg Pierce.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

IT WAS MOVED BY ELLISON and seconded by HALL to approve the agenda as presented.

3. YEA: 5. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Perry Beachum (924 Riverside) stated on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Commission, there will be ice skating at Richards Park this weekend if the weather stays cold.

Alan Teelander (802 Hunt Street) commented on Proposal III and the selling of city property.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. RESOLUTION 22-13 APPROVING THE SALE OF A CITY-OWNED STRIP OF PROPERTY

City Manager Howe stated in accordance with Section 13.3 of the City Charter, the City published in the Lowell Ledger an advertisement for bids on the sale of 8.3 foot wide strip of property east of the Lowell Area School (LAS) property from High Street to Kent Street. A bid was received from Lowell Area Schools for \$1.00 which would further the redevelopment of the LAS property and economic development of the City. Also in accordance with Section 13.3 of the Charter, this resolution would remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection for 20 days, and then brought back to Council for final approval of the sale of the property to the LAS.

IT WAS MOVED BY ELLISON and seconded by SCHWAB to adopt resolution #22-13 approving the sale of a City-owned strip of property to the Lowell Area Schools.

YEA: Councilmembers Schwab, Hall, Ellison and Mayor Hodges.

NAY: Councilmember Altoft. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

b. **RESOLUTION 23-13 APPROVING LEASE AND APPROVING AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF BIOGAS FACILITY OPTION AGREEMENT**

City Attorney Wendt explained that this resolution deals with two steps, first the approval of a lease agreement for the facility to be located on city-owned property at 625 Chatham Street. As stated in Section 13.3 of the City Charter this resolution along with the Lease shall remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection for 20 days and then brought back to Council for final approval and authorize execution of lease agreement with Lowell Energy AD, LLC. The second step is to approve and authorize the execution of the Biogas facility option agreement with Lowell Energy AD, LLC (LEAD).

IT WAS MOVED BY HALL and seconded by ELLISON to adopt resolution #23-13 approving lease and approving authorizing execution of Biogas facility option agreement with Lowell Energy AD, LLC..

YEA: Councilmembers Schwab, Hall, Ellison and Mayor Hodges.

NAY: Councilmember Altoft. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Council returned to open session at 8:41 p.m.

IT WAS MOVED BY ELLISON to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

DATE:

APPROVED:

James W. Hodges, Mayor

Betty R. Morlock, City Clerk