

Maharishi Vedic City
Minutes of a City Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 20, 2023, 7:30 PM
City Hall, 1750 Maharishi Center Avenue

Present: Mayor Rogers Badgett, Councilmembers Chris Johnson, Steve, Boss, Kara Anastasio, Leslee Goldstein, and Marty Hulsebos

Absent: None

Also present: Dr. John Hagelin, Dr. Kent Boyum, Kathy Petersen

Mayor Badgett called the meeting to order.

1. Silence—Three minutes of silence was taken.
2. Public Comments—There were no comments.
3. Discussion with Dr. John Hagelin Regarding Solar Inverter Filter—Dr. John Hagelin, President of Maharishi University of Management, spoke of the impacts of electromagnetic high frequency radiation or “dirty electricity,” and mitigating the impacts. He referenced studies published in reputable journals that demonstrate the impact of “dirty electricity” on health, and said that the Solar Inverter Filter being considered for the City Hall solar array to reduce radiation, is well-designed and safe, and is in keeping with City goals to promote health and well-being. Questions and answers with Dr. Hagelin followed.
4. Consideration of Independent/Third Party Testing and Analysis of Current EMF Issues at City Hall—Tabled.
5. Consideration to Approve the Purchase and Installation of Solar Inverter Filter—Chris Johnson moved to approve the purchase and installation of a solar inverter filter for the solar array at City Hall, subject to the determination that results of testing done by Bill Bathgate and witnessed by Dr. John Hagelin, of the electrical condition of City Hall before and after the inverter on the solar panels is activated, is determined by Mr. Bathgate and Dr. Hagelin to warrant the installation of the Solar Inverter Filter; and that if Mr. Bathgate and Dr. Hagelin determine the filter is not warranted, the City’s obligation to Bill Bathgate would be \$1,200 for testing services only; Leslee Goldstein seconded the motion. The City Clerk read opinions of JP Jones of Indian Hills Community College and electrician Brian Robbins. After thorough discussion, the motion was put to vote: Ayes: Johnson, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nay: Boss; motion carried.
6. Approval of Minutes—Marty Hulsebos moved, Leslee Goldstein seconded, to approve minutes from a meeting held December 13, 2023; Ayes: Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none; motion carried.
7. Approval of Receipts and Claims—Leslee Goldstein moved, Marty Hulsebos seconded, to approve the report; Ayes: Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none; motion carried.
8. Consideration of Resolution to Approve the Code of Ordinances—Marty Hulsebos moved, Leslee Goldstein seconded, to adopt a resolution to adopt the Code of Ordinances; Ayes: Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none; motion carried. Resolution number 20231220B was assigned.
9. Consideration of Resolution to Contract for Interim City Clerk Services—Leslee Goldstein moved, Marty Hulsebos seconded to adopt a resolution to contract for Interim City Clerk Services; Ayes:

Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none; motion carried. Resolution number 20231220A was assigned.

10. Annual Review of Sewer and Water Rates, Consider Maintaining Current Rates—Steve Boss, on behalf of the Finance and City Administration Committee, presented a profit and loss report for Sewer and Water Funds from fiscal year 2022-2023. Marty Hulsebos moved, Steve Boss seconded to maintain current Sewer and Water usage rates; Ayes: Johnson, Boss, Anastasio, Goldstein, Hulsebos; Nays: none; motion carried.
11. Report on Temporary Closing of the Office of City Clerk—The City Clerk reported on the closing of the office of City Clerk from December 26 to January 15.
12. Mayor and Council Comments—There were no comments.

Mayor Badgett adjourned the meeting.

Rogers Badgett, Mayor

Kathy Petersen, Interim City Clerk