

The Council of the City of Wellington, Kansas, met in Special Session on September 7, 2017 at 8:30 p.m., in the City Council Room, City Administration Center, with Mayor Shelley Hansel presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hansel.

The Invocation was given by Reverend William Wingfield.

Council members Kip Etter, Kelly Hawley, Bill Butts, Jim Valentine and Vince Wetta were present at roll call. Council member Jan Korte was absent at roll call.

Members of the Staff present were City Manager Shane J. Shields, City Attorney Shawn DeJarnett, Finance Director/City Clerk Carol S. Mericle, Public Utility Director Jason Newberry, Public Works Director Jeremy Jones, and Chief of Police Tracy Heath.

RESOLUTIONS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT TO CONDITIONS FOR COWLEY COLLEGE-SUMNER CAMPUS, CITY OF WELLINGTON, KANSAS was introduced and considered. Council member Wetta made a motion to pass the resolution as presented and sign the Developer's Agreement for Cowley College-Sumner Campus. Council member Butts seconded the motion. Council member Etter thanked everyone for a good meeting earlier this evening. He believes this was one of the most productive meetings he has attended while on the council. He also thanked Cowley College for their patience and willingness to go through this process. Council member Hawley told the council she feels that this issue and information could have been handled differently if all information was presented to begin with correctly. She now feels that her vote can now be made knowing she took everything into consideration with the meeting this evening. She will now vote yes on the Developer's Agreement. Upon roll call vote, those voting "AYE" were council members Etter, Hawley, Butts, and Wetta. Voting "NAY" was council member Valentine. Number 5844 was assigned to this Resolution.

Cowley College- Sumner Campus Petition for Paving & Certificate of City Clerk- the governing body of the City must find and determine that said Petition was signed by owners of record of the property liable for assessment for the proposed improvements, and is therefore sufficient in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE ADVISABILITY OF THE MAKING OF CERTAIN INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF WELLINGTON; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS WITH RESPECT THERETO; AND AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE MAKING OF THE IMPROVEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH FINDING (PAVING IMPROVEMENTS-COWLEY COLLEGE SUMNER CAMPUS) was introduced and considered. City Manager Shields stated this is the paving petition. Dr. Rittle has signed the petition, City Clerk Carol Mericle confirmed the petition has enough signatures, and the details in the percentages to pay are the same as outlined in the Developer's Agreement. This is the process under statute to finance the paving portion. Council member Butts made a motion to pass this Resolution as presented. Mr. Etter seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, those voting "AYE" were Council members Wetta, Etter, Hawley and Butts. Voting "NAY" was Council member Valentine. Number 5845 was assigned to this Resolution.

Cowley College- Sumner Campus Petition for Electric & Certificate of City Clerk-the governing body of the City must find and determine that said Petition was signed by owners of record of the property liable for assessment for the proposed improvements, and is therefore sufficient in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE ADVISABILITY OF THE MAKING OF CERTAIN INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE CITY OF WELLINGTON; MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS

WITH RESPECT THERETO; AND AUTHORIZNG AND PROVIDING FOR THE MAKING OF THE IMPROVEMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUCH FINDING (ELECTRIC SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS-COWLEY COLLEGE SUMNER CAMPUS) was introduced and considered. Bond Counsel Kevin Cowan explained the petition and told that in this case it is 100% owner which is Cowley College. Council member Etter made a motion to pass this resolution as presented. Council member Butts seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, those voting "AYE" were Council members Hawley, Butts, Wetta, and Etter. Voting "NAY" was council member Valentine. Number 5846 was assigned to this Resolution.

City Manager Shields told the authorizing of the sewer and water % of the Developer's Agreement will come to the next meeting on September 19th. Kevin Cowan stated the sewer portion would require an ordinance. Based off of how the agenda organized it would have been awkward to have an ordinance before the discussion of some of these things. They are not petitioned projects; they are based on state statute so they can proceed without petition.

Dr. Rittle stated that it has been a very emotional week at the College. He told of his deployment in the military for 15 years at home and abroad. He has watched persons come for education and see them grow at the College level. Dr. Rittle understands the struggles and appreciates the City staff and Council. He continued on behalf of Cowley College and the students, thank you. The ground breaking will take place on the Northeast corner of the property on October 11th at 1:00 pm. He invited everyone to attend. Dr. Rittle said those attending will get an opportunity to see the campus before it is even built using a virtual reality 3D experience.

A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and carried.

Approved and filed this 19th day of September 2017.

Mayor

City Clerk