The Hiawatha City Council met in regular session in the Hiawatha Council Chambers on April 19, 2017. Mayor Bill Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present: Marty Bruns, Bob Rampulla and Dick Olson. Aime Wichtendahl and Dennis Norton were absent. Staff present: Community Development Director Patrick Parsley, City Engineer John Bender, Finance Director Cindy Kudrna, City Administrator Kim Downs, and Police Chief Dennis Marks. Guests: Charlie Vogel of The Dancers Edge, Melissa Jackson, Alexander Jackson, Phillip Matthews, Mike Lukan and Daniel Hoffmann.

Olson moved approval of the agenda, seconded by Bruns. Motion carried.

Rampulla moved the approval of the following consent agenda items: Approval of bills, Finance Director's Report for March 2017, City Clerk's Report for March 2017; Approval of renewal- Class C Liquor License (BW) (Beer/Wine), Outdoor Service, and Sunday Sales for Tomaso's Pizza & BBQ located at 1061 North Center Point Road, effective May 1, 2017 and Approval of renewal of Class C Liquor License (LC) (Commercial) and Sunday Sales for Lucky Penny, LLC located at 1705 Boyson Road, effective May 6, 2017; Accepting the appointment of History Committee Members: Christine Ask (Larson) and Marybeth Culbertson effective immediately – December 31, 2019; Department Reports: Community Development, Fire, Library, Parks and Recreation, Police and Public Works, seconded by Bruns. Motion carried.

Citizens Input

Phillip Matthews of 103 East Willman Street commented the franchise fee tax on his cable bill is unfair for him to have to pay when others who have satellite do not have to pay the surcharge.

City Administrator Downs explained the cable franchise is state regulated.

Mayor Bennett commented the satellite company does not use the city's right of ways.

Matthews asked if there is a chance the city would put traffic signals at Willman Street and Center Point Road for traffic safety.

City Engineer Bender explained the city has the temporary stop signs at Willman and Center Point Road because of the detour right now but the plan is to do a study to look at implementing the four way stop signs permanently. Bender also stated staff is looking into lowering the speed limit from 35 miles per hour to 25 miles per hour to help improve the pedestrian and bicycle safety through that area, however, traffic signals will not be installed.

Report from Council Members/Mayor/City Administrator

City Administrator Downs commented Crystal Group is hosting their groundbreaking event on April 24. Downs also mentioned a marketing brochure that staff worked on jointly with HEDCO. The marketing brochure highlights all the infrastructure, utilities and shows the growth for a person/prospect coming to Hiawatha not only looking online but something to look at and walk away with.

Mayor Bennett commented he attended the Linn County's State of the County luncheon where they talked about the bridge over Cedar River for the trail, it was neat and everything seemed to be going good for the county.

Building Safety Month Proclamation May 2017

Mayor Bennett read the proclamation proclaiming the month of May 2017 as Building Safety Month.

PUBLIC HEARING – on the proposed Amendment No. 12 to the Hiawatha Urban Renewal Plan

Mayor Bennett opened the public hearing on the proposed Amendment No. 12 to the Hiawatha Urban Renewal Plan at 5:39 P.M.

Phillip Matthews of 103 East Willman Street asked for more information on the Amendment No. 12.

Finance Director Kudrna explained it is an annual procedure the city does to receive bonding money. There is no new land being added to this amendment.

No additional written or public comments were received at or prior to the public hearing. Public Hearing closed at 5:41 P.M.

Olson presented RESOLUTION #17-068 determining an area of the City to be an economic development area, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, development or a combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare of the residents of the City; designating such area as appropriate for urban renewal projects; and adopting the Amendment No. 12 to the Hiawatha Urban Renewal Plan, seconded by Rampulla. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Olson, Rampulla. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-068 adopted.**

Not to Exceed $3,780,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes
Bruns presented RESOLUTION #17-069 fixing date (May 3, 2017 @ 5:30 P.M.) for a meeting on the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Not to Exceed $3,780,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes of the City of Hiawatha, State of Iowa (For Essential Corporate Purposes), and providing for publication of notice thereof, seconded by Olson. Roll call vote: AYES: Rampulla, Bruns, Olson. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton.
RESOLUTION #17-069 adopted.

Not to Exceed $1,485,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes
Rampulla presented RESOLUTION #17-070 fixing date (May 3, 2017 @ 5:30 P.M.) for a meeting on the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of Not to Exceed $1,485,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes of the City of Hiawatha, State of Iowa (For Essential Corporate Purposes), and providing for publication of notice thereof, seconded by Bruns. Roll call vote: AYES: Olson, Bruns, Rampulla. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton.
RESOLUTION #17-070 adopted.

Approving an "At Your Own Risk" Building Permit to begin construction on a commercial building addition for Dancer's Edge located at 1550 Hawkeye Drive
Olson presented RESOLUTION #17-071 approving an "At Your Own Risk" Building Permit to begin construction on a commercial building addition for Dancer's Edge located at 1550 Hawkeye Drive, seconded by Bruns. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Olson, Rampulla. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-071 adopted.**

Approving an "At Your Own Risk" Building Permit to begin construction on a new commercial building for Crystal Group located at 855 Metzger Drive
Bruns presented RESOLUTION #17-072 approving an "At Your Own Risk" Building Permit to begin construction on a new commercial building for Crystal Group located at 855 Metzger Drive, seconded by Rampulla. Roll call vote: AYES: Olson, Rampulla, Bruns. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-072 adopted.**

Supporting the submittal of a State Financial Assistance Program Application for Crystal Group
Olson presented RESOLUTION #17-073 supporting the submittal of a State Financial Assistance Program Application for Crystal Group, seconded by Rampulla. Roll call vote: AYES: Rampulla, Bruns, Olson. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-073 adopted.**

2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project
Rampulla presented RESOLUTION #17-074 approving application for Partial Pay Estimate #5 for the 2016-2017 Emmons Street/North Center Point Road/Robins Road Intersection Improvements Phase 2 Roadway Package Project, and directing City Clerk to make payment to Rathje Construction Co., of Marion, Iowa, in the amount of $582,702.46, seconded by Olson. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Rampulla, Olson. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton.
RESOLUTION #17-074 adopted.

Approving payment for the display of fireworks in connection with a multi-year agreement with J&M Displays and approving entering into an agreement and payment for use of Waterhouse property as a launch site during the Hiawatha Fun Fest
Bruns presented RESOLUTION #17-075 authorizing city staff to make payment for the expenses required to put on fireworks display during the Hiawatha Fun Fest Celebration in the amount of $6,500.00, approval of entering into an agreement with the Waterhouse family and payment for the expenses required to secure the use of Waterhouse property as

a launch site for the fireworks display in the amount of $500.00, utilizing event sponsorship funding, seconded by Olson. Roll call vote: AYES: Olson, Rampulla, Bruns. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-075 adopted.**

Authorizing staff to proceed with solicitation of Request for Proposals for City phone system replacement
Rampulla presented RESOLUTION #17-076 authorizing city staff to proceed with the solicitation of request for proposals for the City phone system replacement project including all City departments and facilities, seconded by Bruns. Roll call vote: AYES: Rampulla, Olson, Bruns. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-076 adopted.**

Authorizing a full-time GIS Technician position as a joint position with the Water Department
Olson presented RESOLUTION #17-077 approving the hire of one new full-time GIS Technician position and position job description, as a shared employee between the Water Department and City, with a starting salary range of Group C 1-3 to C 1-7, $21.12 to $23.12 (hourly), $43,925.00 to $48,096.00 (annually) and full benefits; effective July 1, 2017, seconded by Rampulla. Roll call vote: AYES: Bruns, Olson, Rampulla. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wichtendahl and Norton. **RESOLUTION #17-077 adopted.**

There being no further discussion, Rampulla moved to adjourn at 5:50 P.M., seconded by Bruns. Motion carried.

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Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kelly Kornegor, City Clerk