

Application Requirements of the Urban Revitalization Plan for the City of Burlington, Iowa with Council and the viewing audience. He stated that the Urban Revitalization Plan was a City-wide tax abatement program. He stated that presently the tax abatement application must be submitted for an exemption by February 1 after the calendar year in which the project was completed. He stated that under the proposed Ordinance Amendment the City would be following State Code. He stated that the first application for an exemption shall be filed by the owner of the property by February 1 of the assessment year for which the exemption is first claimed, but not later than the year in which all improvements included in the project are first assessed for taxation, or the following two assessment years, in which case the exemption is allowed for the total number of years in the exemption schedule. However, upon the request of the owner at any time, the City Council may provide by Resolution that the owner may file an application by February 1 of any other assessment year selected by the City Council for the number of years remaining in the exemption schedule selected. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Rinker
Motion to Close

Seconded By: Billups

CARRIED

Introduced By: Rinker

Seconded By: Graham-Murray

Motion for Preliminary Adoption of the First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 3323, Amending Section F. Applicability of the Plan and Section L. Application Requirements of the Urban Revitalization Plan for the City of Burlington, Iowa

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

CARRIED

2. Statement: Consideration of the City of Burlington Brownfield Area-Wide Plan

COMMENTS: Mike Fisher of Impact 7G reviewed with Council and the viewing audience the City of Burlington Brownfield Area-Wide Plan. He stated that it was a 18-month effort creating a detailed plan. He reviewed the EPA Area Wide Planning Grant Recap; Area Wide Plan Purpose and What's in the Plan. Chris Shires of Confluence spoke about area wide plan contents and next steps. He stated that the Opportunity Zone is a tremendous opportunity for Burlington. Patrick Alvord of Confluence reviewed the planning area; catalyst site no. 1 C and E (outdoor plaza); catalyst site no. 2 post office and riverfront (a destination park) and catalyst site no. 3 Dresser Rand (hospitality brewery/restaurant, outdoor seating, trail head and park). Council Member Graham-Murray stated that it would be difficult to transplant the post office. Eric Renteria of 521 North 5th Street stated that feedback at the meetings was a challenge. He questioned if there would be another opportunity to revisit the plan. He wanted to know who was making the investment. He stated that he had concerns about existing downtown businesses. He further questioned what was the timeline for the project. Council Member Rinker stated that there are no answers right now. Council Member Billups stated that the Burlington Brownfield Area-Wide Plan was similar to the Teska Plan that the Council approved in the 1980's. He explained it was a guideline only. Mayor McCampbell stated that the plan was a template or a

starting place. Eric Renteria stated that he would like to see opportunities for grant funding for current businesses.

The City Manager stated that Jeremy Hess with Grow Greater Burlington will be making a presentation on Opportunity Zones at the January 28, 2019 Work Session. He stated that there were no projects identified at the three catalyst sites. Council Member Billups stated that he liked the fact the City Council has a plan in place as a guideline. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Introduced By: Graham-Murray
Motion to Close

Seconded By: Billups

CARRIED

Introduced By: Graham-Murray

Seconded By: Billups

Resolution Accepting the City of Burlington Brownfield Area-Wide Plan

DISCUSSION: None.
(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION:

Introduced By: McC Campbell

Seconded By: Rinker

1. Resolution Approving Stormwater Utility Fee Credit Program

DISCUSSION: The Assistant City Manager for Public Works stated that following the implementation of the new stormwater utility structure put into place in 2018, it was asked that a credit program be put into place to help those that are helping reduce stormwater into the system. He stated that after meeting with the City's consultant and staff, the proposed program has five levels identified to have incentives and credit practices and circumstances that help reduced the impact on the City's stormwater system. He stated that the credit program was only for commercial or industrial properties that are eligible to reduce their monthly stormwater user fee. Eric Renteria of 521 North 5th Street stated that he had received a notice from Waterworks that his water would be shut off, even though he had automatic payment. He stated that he found out what he owed was the new stormwater utility bill. He stated that this was an unbearable expense to property owners. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

RESOLUTION:

Introduced By: McC Campbell

Seconded By: Rinker

1. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement Accepting the Iowa Great Places Grant - Downtown Riverfront Improvements Project

DISCUSSION: Chris Roepke of 2228 Madison Avenue asked if the City could return the \$300,000.00 Iowa Great Places grant award. The City Manager stated the City would not be

returning the \$300,000.00 grant. He stated that if the City receives funding for item no. 4, floating boardwalk and associated pleasure docks and building upgrades, then the City would need funding in the amount of \$800,000.000 to \$900,000.00. He stated that the City would be bonding for approximately \$800,000.00. Chris Roepke stated that he was opposed to boating docks, restaurants and shower facilities. He stated that his concern was for older neighborhoods. He stated that the \$900,000.00 should be used to fix up older neighborhoods in North Hill, Saunderson Heights and South Hill to bring up the housing stock in Burlington instead of using the money on the riverfront. Council Member Graham-Murray stated that the grant monies are used for specific projects that the City has applied for in the grant application. Council Member Billups stated that the marina was also looking at grants for transient boaters. He stated that there are many public events in the downtown and restrooms are needed. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(VOTE: 4 - "AYES")

ADOPTED

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE: Eric Renteria of 521 North 5th Street asked when the downtown parking issue would be on the agenda. The City Manager stated that downtown parking was not one of the topics on the forefront. Mayor McCampbell stated that he would let Eric Renteria know when downtown parking would be on an agenda. Susan VanPelt of 1037 North 7th Street stated that the snowplows do a great job. She thought it might be a good idea to rotate vehicles to opposite sides of streets for ease of plowing. She urged the Council to extend the leaf collection in the Spring and Fall by one week. She stated that the leaves should be picked up verses blowing the leaves. She stated that her garbage was picked up in the alley which is brick. She thought it would better to have an on-street pick-up of garbage to save wear and tear on the brick alleys. She further stated that the streets in the North Hill area need to be better taken care of compared to other streets that are being improved. All present had opportunity to speak and nothing additional was filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Adjournment: 6:51 p.m.

Approved: February 4, 2019

Kathleen P. Salisbury, MMC
City Clerk

Shane A. McCampbell
Mayor

(See recording on file in the office of the City Clerk for complete discussion and documentation.)

ITEM I.
Consent Agenda

FINANCES AND MISCELLANEOUS

Minutes of Previous Meetings
Payroll and City Claims

BEER, LIQUOR, WINE AND CIGARETTES

REPORTS AND BONDS

SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS: FEBRUARY 4, 2019

1. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 128, Tree Service Business of the City of Burlington Municipal Code
2. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of Chapter 151, Trees of the Burlington Municipal Code
3. Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2019 Dankwardt Park Pool Improvement Project
4. Consideration of Plans and Specifications for the 2019 Aspen and Dill Reconstruction