**Maharishi Vedic City**

**Minutes of a City Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 2:30 PM**

**City Hall, 1750 Maharishi Center Avenue**

Present: Mayor Rogers Badgett, Councilmembers Chris Johnson, Leslee Goldstein, Kathy Petersen, Maureen Wynne

Absent: Tim Fitz-Randolph

The meeting was held in person and by zoom due to the on-going concern regarding Covid and due to dangerous, weather-related, driving conditions.

Mayor Badgett called the meeting to order.

1. Silence—Three minutes of silence was taken.
2. Public Comments—No public comments were heard.
3. Consider Approving Minutes—Maureen Wynne moved, Leslee Goldstein seconded, to approve minutes from a meeting held December 20, 2023; Ayes: Johnson, Goldstein, Petersen, Wynne; Nays: none. Motion carried.
4. Consider Approving Receipts and Claims—Leslee Goldstein moved, Maureen Wynne seconded, to approve the reports; Ayes: Johnson, Goldstein, Petersen, Wynne; Nays: none. Motion carried.
5. Discuss Budget FY25—The council discussed the budget, and the publication requirements for the Proposed Property Tax Rate Hearing and the Budget Adoption Hearing.
6. Committees:
   1. Review Existing Committees—The council reviewed existing committees, their chairs and members.
   2. Consider Changes to Existing Committees—The council discussed possible changes to existing committees. No action was taken.
   3. Consider Establishing a Master Plan Committee(s)—The council discussed combining the Community and Economic Development Committee and the Community Outreach Committee and renaming it the Maharishi Vedic City Master Plan and Development Committee. No action was taken.
   4. Consider Committee Assignments—The council discussed committee assignments. They will meet with Iowa League of Cities to discuss committee structure, and open meetings, open records requirements for committee meetings, before determining committee assignments, etc.
7. Consider Resolutions to Amend the Bank Signatories—Maureen Wynne moved, Leslee Goldstein seconded, to adopt resolutions to update signatories for City bank accounts; Ayes: Johnson, Goldstein, Petersen, Wynne; Nays: none. Motion carried.
8. Consider Legal Services Contract—Mayor Rogers assigned Maureen Wynne and the Finance Committee to review the proposed contract.
9. Consider Attending Iowa League of Cities’ Municipal Leadership Academy—Kathy Petersen moved, Leslee Goldstein seconded, to approve funding the city council members who wish to attend Municipal Leadership Academy; Ayes: Johnson, Goldstein, Petersen, Wynne; Nays: none. Motion carried.
10. Mayor and Council Comments—Mayor Badgett commented, “Well begun is half done”.

Mayor Badgett adjourned the meeting.

Rogers Badgett, Mayor

Kathy Petersen, Interim City Clerk

