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**ALLIANCE, NEBRASKA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Alliance Learning Center  
1750 Sweetwater Avenue  
**March 16, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**AGENDA**

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Open Meetings Act Announcement**

For the public's reference a copy of the Open Meetings Law has been posted on the north wall of this room in the audience area. This posting complies with the requirements of the Nebraska Legislature.

- **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**A. ACE Presentation, Proclamation and Authorization of the Use of Funds**

The City of Alliance will accept a Membership Distribution check from ACE (Public Alliance for Community Energy) in the amount of \$27,206. To date \$238,195 has been returned to the City from ACE. Staff is recommending these funds be utilized towards a project or program for the betterment of our community selected by City Council. The Council is also encouraging the Citizens of Alliance to select ACE as their natural gas supplier during the Choice Gas selection period which begins March 18<sup>th</sup> and runs through April 22, 2021.

**B. Proclamation**

Nebraska Public Transit Week – April 5-11

**C. Consent Calendar**

Approval of Minutes, Payroll and Claims  
AVFD Roster Update  
Budget Transfer – Electric Department  
Resolution No. 21-29 - FAA Agency Agreement

**D. Resolution No. 21-30 – Big Horn Avenue Water Main Bid Award**

Resolution No. 21-30 awards the Big Horn Water Main Project to Hennings Construction of Gering, NE in the amount of \$132,900. This project will transfer services to the new water main and abandon the old one.

**E. Resolution No. 21-31 – Public Transit Grant Renewal**

Resolution No. 21-31 authorizes the City to provide financial support up to \$125,580 and the submittal of the City of Alliance Public Transit Grant Renewal to the Nebraska Department of Transportation for an additional two years

**F. Alliance Recreation Center ACE Fund Request Proposal**

Mara Andersen, Alliance Recreation Center Director, is in attendance to request ACE Funds for their playground equipment addition at the Center. Council adopted a policy at their March 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting allowing non-profits to request the use of ACE funds for community betterment projects. The policy has been included for Council's reference.

**G. Presentation – Alliance Police Department Strategic Plan**

Alliance Police Chief Lukens will present the 2021 Alliance Police Department Strategic Plan for Council's review.

**City of Alliance Goals**

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## **H. Resolution No. 21-32 – Police Department Vehicle Purchases**

The Alliance Police Department Strategic Plan for 2021 includes proposed capital expenditures to increase the number of vehicles in the patrol fleet. The police department has six marked patrol units which appears to inadequately address the needs of the community as proposed in the plan. Resolution No. 21-32 will authorize the purchase of two 2013 Ford Interceptors from the University of Nebraska for a total of \$51,600 to be incorporated into the Alliance Police Department fleet.

## **I. Resolution No. 21-33 – Motorola Solutions Agreement/Dispatch Console Upgrade Approval**

Resolution No. 21-33 will authorize the City of Alliance to enter into an Agreement with Motorola Solutions for the installation of four Motorola dispatch consoles and connection to the SRS via IP network at the Law Enforcement Center. The total project cost is \$695,000. A total of \$1,525,000 was included in the 2020-21 budget for the purchase of P25 radios, console and other associated equipment with the amount expected for the console upgrade estimated at \$700,000. The City received almost \$424,000 in CARES Act reimbursement which can be supplemented with Public Safety, E911 and general reserve funds to complete the initial purchase. Some funds can be recovered through interlocal agreements as dispatch consolidations occur.

## **Resolution No. 21-34 – Purchase Approval for Viper Next Generation E911**

Resolution No. 21-34 approves the purchase of the VIPER NEXTGEN911 System from Lumen in the amount of \$89,908.26. The E911 Board approved the use of E911 Funds for the City of Alliance to purchase this system with no cost to the general funds of the City. The installation will most likely not occur until October 2021.

## **J. Schedule Council Planning Session**

As staff prepares for the 2021-22 budget, staff is requesting Council conduct a Capital Improvement planning session. Staff is proposing April 27 to conduct the session.

## **K. Board Appointments, Resignations and Announcements**

The City of Alliance has received a board application from Robert Cerv to be reappointed to the Park and Tree Board. If reappointed, Mr. Cerv's new term will expire on February 28, 2024.

Currently there remains one vacancy on the Community Redevelopment Authority, four vacancies on the A-2 Downtown Improvement District Board, one vacancy on the A-1 Downtown Improvement District Board, one vacancy on the Economic Development Plan Citizen Advisory Board, one youth representative on the Library Board, three vacancies on the Park & Tree Board, two vacancies on the Planning Commission, and one vacancy on the Senior Facility Advisory Board.

Anyone interested in serving on these Boards should contact the City Clerk's Office. Information on all of the City Boards is also available on our web site, [www.cityofalliance.net](http://www.cityofalliance.net).

### **▪ Adjournment**

Respectfully submitted,



Tarrah S. Johnson  
City Clerk

† Added by addendum to agenda 24 hours prior to the meeting.

The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into closed session as per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

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