## CITY OF GREEN LAKE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING – JULY 14, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Mayor Raymond Radis. Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silent meditation which included a moment of silence in memory of Emmet Zodrow.

<u>Certification of Open Meeting Law:</u> Agenda was posted July 11, 2025.

<u>Roll Call:</u> Jody Kugler, Jon McConnell, Danielle Reysen, Christopher Foos, Sheila Pulice, Mark Wilton. Also Present: City Attorney Jesse Spankowski, Police Chief Jason Reysen, Public Works Director Jason Carley.

Agenda: Motion made by Foos, second by McConnell to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

<u>Presentation:</u> City Auditor Tara Bast, Johnson Block & Company, addressed the Committee via Zoom and presented the 2024 Audit Report.

<u>Boards, Commissions, Committees Reports:</u> Motion made by Foos, second by McConnell to receive Minutes for Fire Commission -5/28/2025, Plan Commission -6/2/2025, Ad Hoc for Economic Development -6/5/2025 and 6/19/2025, Park & Recreation -6/18/2025, Board of Zoning Appeals -6/16/2025, Joint Review Board -6/25/2025. Motion carried.

<u>Committee & Department Head Reports:</u> Jon McConnell gave an oral report regarding the Park & Recreation/Tree Board. Mark Wilton gave an oral report on the Ad Hoc Committee for Economic Development and Revitalization. Police Chief presented written update on the Police Department. Public Works Director gave an oral report regarding the Public Works Department. Christopher Foos gave an oral report on the Fire Commission including emergency medical services.

Special Event Fees: Jon McConnell will investigate this matter and report back.

<u>First Floor Vacant Spaces:</u> City Attorney presented additional information to restrict use of the first floor spaces in the downtown commercial district. It is anticipated that this will go to public hearing either in August or September.

<u>Sign Ordinance:</u> City Attorney is working on this.

Cost Savings & Revenue Increases Due to Referendum Failure: Currently the City levies for Public Fire Protection. Instead of levying for this, it could be placed on the water utility bills upon approval by the Public Service Commission. This will free up \$141,896 in operations expenses to reallocate to other uses. On average with 794 active utility accounts the estimated charge is \$180 per year or \$45 per quarter. The general consensus of the Committee was to have the Clerk pursue this option.

<u>Cooperative Boundary/Municipal Consolidation with Town of Brooklyn:</u> Mayor presented a list of members to form an Ad Hoc Committee to look into this matter: For the City – Christopher Foos, Cole Markee, John Meiborg, Jason Carley. For the Town of Brooklyn: Michael Jankowski, Mark Lindquist, Thomas Penfield with Alternates Glen Schafl and Susan McConnell. Adam Ruechel, Baird & Company, will serve as an ex-officio member.

<u>Installation of Camera System at Park Drive Boat Launch:</u> Police Chief presented four different estimates from Five Star Telecom based on licenses for one, three, five and ten years and one from Quick Technologies. He is recommending to go with the ten-year license as proposed by Five Star Telecom.

<u>Reports:</u> Motion made by Foos, second by McConnell to receive June 2025 Reports from Clerk-Treasurer, Police Department, Fire Department, First Responders, Building Inspector; July 2025 Report from Library and the 2024 Audit Report. Motion carried.

<u>Correspondence</u>: Letter from Jill Williams was received regarding request to reconsider the proposed fence installation in Playground Park. Matter has been taken care of.

<u>Comprehensive Plan – Chapter 3 Housing Element:</u> Andy Kurtz, Vierbicher Associates, made a presentation regarding Chapter 3 Housing Element for the updates to the Comprehensive Plan.

<u>Contracted Services – Elaine Houser:</u> Elaine Houser addressed the Committee and presented her proposal to provide services regarding housing development documents, policy development and updates to city ordinances.

Motion made by Foos, second by McConnell to adjourn. Motion carried. (6:06 pm)

Barbara L. Dugenske, Clerk