Olivette City Council Work Session Minutes February 9, 2021

The Olivette City Council met on February 9, 2021 at 7:00 PM via videoconferencing and livestreaming. Mayor Springer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Item #1 - Roll Call

On roll, the following persons were present: Mayor Springer, Chairman Pro-tem Clark, Council Member Carl and Council Member Waldman. Council Member Weil joined the meeting at 7:04.

Also, in attendance were City Manager Barb Sondag, City Attorney Paul Martin, Planning and Community Development Director Carlos Trejo, and Acting City Clerk, Denise Mandle.

Item #2 - Discussion of Urban Agriculture - Horticulture

The City Council continued their discussion of the draft zoning amendments concerning urban agriculture. Carlos Trejo, Director of Planning and Community Development Director, gave an overview of the draft amendments for urban agriculture as they pertained to horticulture. He stated the purpose was not to overregulate but to be consistent with Commission standards.

The Council then discussed various aspects of the amendments, including bamboo, native grasses, and managed landscapes The Council was in agreement regarding no new bamboo. The Council also agreed their suggestions would go back to the Planning Commission to draft.

Item #3 - Discussion of Proposed Accessory Use Zoning Changes

City Attorney Martin gave an overview of the proposed zoning changes to accessory structures section of the zoning ordinances. The changes are related to legal concerns identified by Mr. Martin in the administrative approval of certain permits. The Council then discussed the proposed changes.

Item #4 – Upcoming Meetings

City Manager Sondag informed the Council of the following meetings: TIF Commission – March 29, 2021 at 7PM Council Meeting – February 23, 2021 Council Worksession – March 2, 2021 Public Meeting for Park Improvement – February 10, 2021

Mayor Springer adjourned the meeting at 8:48 PM.