

City of Long Prairie
7:00 P.M., Wednesday, May 14, 2025
City Council Meeting Held in Person & Via-Teleconference

The Long Prairie City Council met in person and by phone at City Hall, 7:00 pm, on Wednesday May 14, 2025. Mayor Jim Kreemer called the meeting to order with Council members JoAnn Schroeder, Clint Krueger, Gabrier Perez, Lilah Gripne and City Administrator/Clerk Candace Bruder present. Also, present Chief of Police Ryan Hanson, City Engineer Kent Louwagie, and Fire Chief Dan Laumeyer. Members of the public present: Steve Jones, Judy Petrie, Betty Meyer, Lina Kielty, Janice Koester, Myles Buelland, Nolan Wolkow, June Elmes, Naomi Walrath, Todd Hagen, Teresa Sorenson, Jodi Dixon, Luan Thomas-Brunkhorst, Chris Amundson, Danniela Chavez, Fernando Angeles and Felicia Lopez

Council member Gripne motioned, and it was seconded by Schroeder to approve the consent calendar:

- (a) Approve Agenda for May 14th, 2025**
- (b) Approve Meeting Minutes for April 23rd, 2025**
- (c) Approve Temporary Liquor License for Legion Riders for Bikes & Trikes Event 5/31/25**
- (d) Approve Temporary Liquor License for Long Prairie Lions Club for Prairie Days 6/7/25**

Public Hearing

At 7:01 pm Mayor Kreemer opened the public hearing on TIF Plan No. 1-17: ECP Food Warehouse. Todd Hagen from Ehlers addressed the council explaining the process. Discussion on updating the business subsidy policy and that he would like the council to reapprove this, it hasn't been updated since 2004. The map of the new expansion was in the newspaper as an official notice on April 30th. The school district and the county have been notified of this plan. This expansion will bring a 10-million-dollar project into the City of Long Prairies industrial park and will increase the tax capacity for the future, estimated at about \$200,000. This project will also bring potentially 15-25 additional jobs. This process assists the company to complete this project sooner rather than later. These funds could potentially be used in the future to fund new expansion in the future. It will increase trucking in the city, and it will bring more money into the community. There were no comments or concerns.

Mayor Kreemer closed the public hearing at 7:14 pm.

Public Comment:

Jodi Dixon addressed the council with concerns related to noise complaint issues with neighbors, and them having ATVs with open exhausts and the issues of safety and noise. She stated that every Sunday they literally have a racetrack in their yard. This does violate the city noise ordinance, and she was directed to complain to the Police Department. The ordinance says 50 feet from the source that residents shouldn't be able to hear other residents.

Luan Thomas-Brunkhorst addressed the council with her support of the Long Prairie Senior Center and the fact that it brings a lot of positive support to the community. She read a statement that Gabrier Perez wrote: the main purpose of government is for the people and that these seniors have paid taxes and they are just asking for support and how we treat the seniors now is how our children will treat us. He stated that he will be donating his council member check to the senior center every month.

Council Reports

Public Works: Council member Krueger informed the council that the Public Works have been busy with mowing, patching holes, flushing hydrants, and the daily water and wastewater samples. The main lift station project is going well, the structures have been installed, most of the piping is complete, and they are working on the electrical part of the project. All the parks, ballfields, and restrooms are open, hydrant flushing is also complete for the spring season. The next few weeks public works will be busy mowing, cleaning catch basins, and patching streets in the seal coat area. Noted that the public works should be acknowledged for the recent award that they earned at the Wastewater Treatment Facility. There is nothing to note at the airport.

Planning & Zoning: Next meeting will be on May 27th.

Police Department and Fire Department: Mayor Jim Kreemer provided an update that over the past two weeks of 04/23/25 through 05/14/25 the LPPD had 330 calls with an average of 23.57 per day. This includes: 8 with suspicious activity, 100 traffic related, 17 medicals, 8 disturbance-domestic-assaults, 7 civil, 13 juvenile-related, 3 Theft, 131 assists, and ordinance specific are: 11 animal-related, 10 noise related, 2 burning related, 1 garbage related, and 19 vehicle issue complaint(s). The Chief noted that they will be assisting with the Bicycle Safety training at the LPGE Elementary School in the school bus lot, on Sat 5-17-25 starting at 10am. Tim King is hosting another Protest rally at Go Taco on Sat 5-17-25, from 2p-3p with a Food Shelf food drive. Deanna and Chief Hanson completed TAC (Terminal Agency Coordinator) training in Bemidji in the last two weeks. Chief Hanson and Officer Harden attended Postvention Training hosted by Health and Human Services this morning, 5/14/25 9AM-1PM. Mayor Kreemer addressed the chief to note that there are issues on Hwy 27 where cars are speeding into Long Prairie and he is asking for more police enforcement and to issue speeding tickets and to watch for braking issues. Fire Chief Laumeyer noted that he attended grant training at Sourcewell, and he also attended the Todd Wadena fire training. Some city staff, mayor and fire department toured the new apartment building on 4th Street on where emergency items are and how to access them. Some fire fighters will be attending fireman safety in St. Cloud this Saturday. On the 20th they will have their ISO audit. Noted that the fires in Northern MN have gotten worse and hot shot crews have been deployed.

Liquor Store / Parks & Rec: Council member Schroeder informed the council that the liquor store has been busy. Noted that she had walked around Lake Charlotte and was impressed at how the public works has kept the park clean.

EDA, Library/Health and Wellness: Council member Grippe informed the council that the EDA

next meeting will be held on May 21st. At the library from May 12-15, the Story Stroll “Where’s My Teddy” will be at Harmony Park. This is a self-directed activity. Then on May 16th, Jeff Bianchi, a classical guitarist, will be performing from 11-12 pm. This program is being paid for by the Legacy Amendment. On May 17th from 10-11 am, Jeff Lucas will be reviewing his book “Todd County Frontier Killings”. This is funded by the Legacy Amendment also. Registration is limited to 50. Finally on May 19th from 12:30 to 1:15 PM The Wonder Weavers (Tina and Colleen) will be telling stories. This is for school-age children and is funded by the Legacy Amendment.

Tourism and Community Concern: Council member Perez informed the council of the upcoming events at the senior center and discussed that the Latin Festival will be on the agenda.

Engineers Report: City Engineer Kent Louwagie informed the council that at Riverside Park last week there was a meeting with Reta, JoAnn, Candace and himself to discuss what the expectations are for Phase II. Phase one is almost complete. There are a few items left like seeding and site stabilization. The samples are still coming back clean, and sampling will continue each week. The underground portion of the project is complete, and they are waiting for the delivery of the electrical units. The cement slab has been poured. They do require that the project is up and running for 30 days before they demolish the existing old building. The 287-project met, and Central Specialties is the contractor on this job, and it will start at the beginning of June and is hoping to be done in the middle of August. They will handle all announcements related to the project to the public. This is a mill and overlay project with sidewalk and crosswalk improvements.

New Business

CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE TODD COUNTY STATE OF MINNESOTA

Council member Schroeder introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-14-15

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERFUND LOAN FOR ADVANCE OF CERTAIN COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT NO. 1-17: ECP FOOD WAREHOUSE.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Long Prairie, Minnesota (the “City”), as follows:

Background.

The City has heretofore approved the establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17: ECP Food Warehouse (an economic development tax increment financing district) (the “TIF District”) within Master Development District No. 1 (the “Project Area”), and has adopted a

Tax Increment Financing Plan (the “TIF Plan”) for the purpose of financing certain improvements within the Project Area.

The City has determined to pay for certain costs identified in the TIF Plan consisting of land/building acquisition, site improvements/preparation, public utilities, public parking facilities, other qualifying improvements, interest and administrative costs (collectively, the “Qualified Costs”), which costs may be financed on a temporary basis from City funds available for such purposes.

Under Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.178, Subd. 7, the City is authorized to advance or loan money from the City’s general fund or any other fund from which such advances may be legally authorized, in order to finance the Qualified Costs.

The City intends to reimburse itself for the Qualified Costs from tax increments derived from the TIF District in accordance with the terms of this resolution (which terms are referred to collectively as the “Interfund Loan”).

Terms of Interfund Loan.

The City hereby authorizes the advance of up to \$50,000 from the General Fund of the City or so much thereof as may be paid as Qualified Costs. The City shall reimburse itself for such advances together with interest at the rate stated below. Interest accrues on the principal amount from the date of each advance. The maximum rate of interest permitted to be charged is limited to the greater of the rates specified under Minnesota Statutes, Section 270C.40 or Section 549.09 as of the date the loan or advance is authorized, unless the written agreement states that the maximum interest rate will fluctuate as the interest rates specified under Minnesota Statutes, Section 270C.40 or Section 549.09 are from time to time adjusted. The interest rate shall be five percent (5%) and will not fluctuate.

Principal and interest (“Payments”) on the Interfund Loan shall be paid annually on each December 31 (each a “Payment Date”), commencing on the first Payment Date on which the City has Available Tax Increment (defined below), or on any other dates determined by the City Manager, through the date of last receipt of tax increment from the TIF District.

Payments on this Interfund Loan are payable solely from “Available Tax Increment,” which shall mean, on each Payment Date, tax increment available after other obligations have been paid, or as determined by the City Manager, generated in the preceding six (6) months with respect to the property within the TIF District and remitted to the City by Todd County, all in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.174 to 469.1794, all inclusive, as amended. Payments on this Interfund Loan may be subordinated to any outstanding or future bonds, notes or contracts secured in whole or in part with Available Tax Increment, and are on parity with any other outstanding or future interfund loans secured in whole or in part with Available Tax Increment.

The principal sum and all accrued interest payable under this Interfund Loan are prepayable in whole or in part at any time by the City without premium or penalty. No partial prepayment shall affect the amount or timing of any other regular payment otherwise required to be made under this Interfund Loan.

This Interfund Loan is evidence of an internal borrowing by the City in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.178, Subd. 7, and is a limited obligation payable solely from Available Tax Increment pledged to the payment hereof under this resolution. This Interfund Loan and the interest hereon shall not be deemed to constitute a general obligation of the State of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof, including, without limitation, the City. Neither the State of Minnesota, nor any political subdivision thereof shall be obligated to pay the principal of or interest on this Interfund Loan or other costs incident hereto except out of Available Tax Increment, and neither the full faith and credit nor the taxing power of the State of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof is pledged to the payment of the principal of or interest on this Interfund Loan or other costs incident hereto. The City shall have no obligation to pay any principal amount of the Interfund Loan or accrued interest thereon, which may remain unpaid after the final Payment Date.

The City may amend the terms of this Interfund Loan at any time by resolution of the Council, including a determination to forgive the outstanding principal amount and accrued interest to the extent permissible under law.

Effective Date. This resolution is effective upon the date of its approval.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Council member Gripne, and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same.

Dated: May 14, 2025

ATTEST:

James Kreemer, Mayor

Candace Bruder, City Administrator

A motion was made by Council member Schroeder to approve the Resolution 25-05-14-15 Resolution Authorizing an Interfund Loan for Advance of Certain Costs in Connection with Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17: ECP Food Warehouse, it was seconded by Council member Gripne: unanimously approved.

**CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE
TODD COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

Council member Gripne introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-14-16

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A MODIFICATION TO THE
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR MASTER DEVELOPMENT
DISTRICT NO. 1; ESTABLISHING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING
DISTRICT NO. 1-17: ECP FOOD WAREHOUSE THEREIN AND
ADOPTING A TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN THEREFOR**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council (the “Council”) of the City of Long Prairie, Minnesota (the “City”), as follows:

Section 1. Recitals.

1.01. The Council has heretofore established Master Development District No. 1 (the “Development District”) and adopted the Development Program therefor. It has been proposed by the City that the City adopt a Modification to the Development Program (the “Development Program Modification”) for the Development District and establish Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17: ECP Food Warehouse (an economic development district) (the “District”) therein and adopt a Tax Increment Financing Plan (the “TIF Plan”) therefor (the Development Program Modification and the TIF Plan are referred to collectively herein as the “Program and Plan”); all pursuant to and in conformity with applicable law, including Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.124 to 469.133 and Sections 469.174 to 469.1794, all inclusive, as amended, (the “Act”) all as reflected in the Program and Plan, and presented for the Council’s consideration.

1.02. The City has investigated the facts relating to the Program and Plan and has caused the Program and Plan to be prepared.

1.02. The City has performed all actions required by law to be performed prior to the establishment of the District and the adoption and approval of the proposed Program and Plan, including, but not limited to, (i) providing the proposed TIF Plan and the information on the fiscal and economic implications of the plan to the county auditor and the clerk of the school district board at least 30 days before a public hearing to be held by the City on the Program and Plan and (ii) publishing notice of the public hearing as required by the Act.

1.03. Certain written reports (the “Reports”) relating to the Program and Plan and to the activities contemplated therein have heretofore been prepared by staff and consultants and submitted to the Council and/or made a part of the City files and proceedings on the Program and Plan. The Reports include data, information and/or substantiation constituting or relating to the

basis for the other findings and determinations made in this resolution. The Council hereby confirms, ratifies and adopts the Reports, which are hereby incorporated into and made as fully a part of this resolution to the same extent as if set forth in full herein.

1.04. The City is not modifying the boundaries of the Development District, but is however, modifying the Development Program therefor.

Section 2. Findings for the Adoption and Approval of the Development Program Modification.

2.01. The Council approves the Development Program Modification, and specifically finds that: (a) the land within the Project area would not be available for redevelopment without the financial aid to be sought under this Development Program; (b) the Development Program, as modified, will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the needs of the City as a whole, for the development of the Project by private enterprise; and (c) that the Development Program, as modified, conforms to the general plan for the development of the City as a whole.

Section 3. Findings for the Establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17: ECP Food Warehouse.

3.01. The Council hereby finds that the District is in the public interest and is an “economic development district” under Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.174, Subd. 12 of the Act.

3.02. The Council further finds that the proposed development would not occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future and that the increased market value of the site that could reasonably be expected to occur without the use of tax increment financing would be less than the increase in the market value estimated to result from the proposed development after subtracting the present value of the projected tax increments for the maximum duration of the District permitted by the Tax Increment Financing Plan, that the Program and Plan conform to the general plan for the development or redevelopment of the City as a whole; and that the Program and Plan will afford maximum opportunity consistent with the sound needs of the City as a whole, for the redevelopment or development of the District by private enterprise.

3.03. The Council further finds, declares and determines that the City made the above findings stated in this Section and has set forth the reasons and supporting facts for each determination in writing, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 4. Public Purpose.

4.01. The adoption of the Program and Plan conforms in all respects to the requirements of the Act and will help discourage commerce, industry, or manufacturing from moving their operations to another state or municipality, will result in increased employment in the state, and will result in preservation and enhancement of the tax base of the State and thereby serves a public purpose. For the reasons described in Exhibit A, the City believes these benefits directly derive from the tax increment assistance provided under the TIF Plan. A private developer will receive

only the assistance needed to make this development financially feasible. As such, any private benefits received by a developer are incidental and do not outweigh the primary public benefits.

Section 5. Approval and Adoption of the Program and Plan.

5.01. The Program and Plan, as presented to the Council on this date, including without limitation the findings and statements of objectives contained therein, are hereby approved, ratified, established, and adopted and shall be placed on file in the office of the City Administrator.

5.02. The staff of the City, the City's advisors and legal counsel are authorized and directed to proceed with the implementation of the Program and Plan and to negotiate, draft, prepare and present to this Council for its consideration all further plans, resolutions, documents and contracts necessary for this purpose.

5.03 The Auditor of Todd County is requested to certify the original net tax capacity of the District, as described in the Program and Plan, and to certify in each year thereafter the amount by which the original net tax capacity has increased or decreased; and the City is authorized and directed to forthwith transmit this request to the County Auditor in such form and content as the Auditor may specify, together with a list of all properties within the District, for which building permits have been issued during the 18 months immediately preceding the adoption of this resolution.

5.04. The City Administrator is further authorized and directed to file a copy of the Program and Plan with the Commissioner of Revenue and the Office of the State Auditor pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 469.175, Subd. 4a.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Mayor Kreemer, and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same.

Dated: May 14, 2025

ATTEST:

James Kreemer, Mayor

Candace Bruder, City Administrator

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EXHIBIT A

The reasons and facts supporting the findings for the adoption of the Tax Increment Financing Plan for Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17 as required pursuant to *M.S., Section 469.175, Subd. 3 and Subd 4* are as follows:

1. *Finding that Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17 is an economic development district as defined in M.S., Section 469.174, Subd. 12.*

Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17 is a contiguous geographic area within the City's Master Development District No. 1, delineated in the TIF Plan, for the purpose of financing economic development in the City using tax increment. The District is in the public interest because it will facilitate the development of an approximately 90,000 to 100,000 square foot food storage warehouse for Enterprise-CP LLC in the Long Prairie SW Industrial Park. in the City which will increase employment in the State and preserve and enhance the tax base of the State.

2. *Finding that the proposed development, in the opinion of the City Council, would not reasonably be expected to occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future and that the increased market value of the site that could reasonably be expected to occur without the use of tax increment financing would be less than the increase in the market value estimated to result from the proposed development after subtracting the present value of the projected tax increments for the maximum duration of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-17 permitted by the TIF Plan.*

The proposed development, in the opinion of the City, would not reasonably be expected to occur solely through private investment within the reasonably foreseeable future: This finding is supported by the fact

that the development proposed in this plan is a food storage warehouse facility that meets the City's objectives for economic development. The cost of land acquisition, and related site improvements necessary to maximize development potential, makes development of the facility infeasible without City assistance. The Developer was asked for and provided a letter and a proforma as justification that the developer would not have gone forward without tax increment assistance.

The increased market value of the site that could reasonably be expected to occur without the use of tax increment financing would be less than the increase in market value estimated to result from the proposed development after subtracting the present value of the projected tax increments for the maximum duration of the District permitted by the TIF Plan: The City supported this finding on the grounds that the project is a food storage warehouse located adjacent to the existing manufacturing facility with no other land available for expansion. The City reasonably determines that no other development of similar scope is anticipated on this site without substantially similar assistance being provided to the development.

Therefore, the City concludes as follows:

a. The City's estimate of the amount by which the market value of the entire District will increase without the use of tax increment financing is \$0.

b. If the proposed development occurs, the total increase in market value will be \$9,840,900 (see Appendix B of the TIF Plan).

c. The present value of tax increments from the District for the maximum duration of the district permitted by the TIF Plan is estimated to be \$1,359,789 (see Appendix B of the TIF Plan).

d. Even if some development other than the proposed development were to occur, the Council finds that no alternative would occur that would produce a market value increase greater than \$8,481,111 (the amount in clause b less the amount in clause c) without tax increment assistance.

3. *Finding that the TIF Plan for the District conforms to the general plan for the development or redevelopment of the municipality as a whole.*

The City Council reviewed the TIF Plan and found that the TIF Plan conforms to the general development plan of the City.

4. *Finding that the TIF Plan for the District will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the City as a whole, for the development or redevelopment of Master Development District No. 1 by private enterprise.*

The project to be assisted by the District will result in increased employment in the City and the State of Minnesota, increased tax base of the State, and add a high-quality development to the City.

A motion was made by Council member Gripne to approve the Resolution 25-05-14-16 Resolution Adopting a Modification to the Development Program for Master Development District No. 1; Establishing Tax Increment Financing District No.1-17: ECP Food Warehouse Therein and Adopting a Tax Increment Financing Plan Therefor it was seconded by Mayor Kreemer: unanimously approved.

**CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE
COUNTY OF TODD
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NO. 25-05-14-14

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONSIDERATION OF
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION
OF LOPEZ HOLDINGS FF LLC (APPLICANT) AT 514 4th AVENUE SE, LONG
PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA, PIN 36-0078200**

WHEREAS, at the Long Prairie City Council Meeting on the 14th day of May 2025 the Long Prairie City Council reviewed a Conditional Use Permit application on behalf of Lopez Holdings FF LLC; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the City of Long Prairie Zoning Ordinance and pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 462 of Minnesota Statutes the Conditional Use Permit would authorize the above named to renovate and add up to 5 new residential units into an existing commercial building within the R-1 zoning district of the City of Long Prairie, Todd County, Minnesota

Parcel Numbers 36-0078200

Legal Description: The East 239 feet of the West 346 feet of Lots 7 and 8, Block 1, Budgett's First Addition to the Village of Long Prairie, EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following parcel: The South 33 feet and that part of the left of a line 40 feet to the right of the following described centerline: Beginning at a point on the quarter line 245.5 feet West of the East quarter corner of Section 20, Township 129, Range 33, thence deflecting to the right on a 24 degree curve, delta angle 90 degrees 40 minutes 377.8 feet and there terminating in the center of Todd Street, and at a point 241.5 feet north of the East and West one quarter line of said Section 20, which excepting are for state purposes; also EXCEPTING the North 25 feet of the East 66 feet of the West 266 feet, and the north 25 feet of the West 80 feet of the East 179 feet of said Lot 7.

Address: 514 4th Avenue SE, Long Prairie, MN 56347

And,

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has considered the Applicant's request at a duly noticed Public Hearing which took place on April 22, 2025, and has recommended approval to the City Council; and

FINDINGS OF FACT:

- 1) The Planning Commission found that the application generally follows and is compatible with the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning and Land Use Requirements and that the conditional use does not appear to be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the immediate vicinity and that the establishment of the conditional use does not appear to impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:

- 2) At least two parking spots per unit must be maintained over the life of the units, for every unit, so at a minimum 10 new parking spots must be created, and 22 total parking spots maintained.
- 3) Waste storage/pickup areas must be developed for use of the new residential units.
- 4) If further signage or fencing is needed, applicant will need to apply for a permit with the city. If construction is done on the site a building permit will be required.

- 5) Units must comply with the City's Housing, Building and Structure Code and the State Building Code.
- 6) Revocation: A violation of any condition set forth in a conditional use permit shall be a violation of the permit and can cause termination of the permit, after proper notice. A building permit must be applied for within nine months, and the conditional use permit shall become void one year after being granted by the city council unless made use of, or an extension is formally approved by the city.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA AS FOLLOWS:

The application to issue a Conditional Use Permit to allow Lopez Holdings FF LLC to construct and renovate up to 5 new residential units within an existing building at 514 4th Avenue SE, Long Prairie, MN 56347, PID #36-0078200 is hereby approved, subject to the above listed conditions.

The City of Long Prairie staff is herewith directed to issue the appropriate permits pursuant to this Conditional Use Permit.

Passed by the City Council of Long Prairie, Minnesota this 14th day of May 2025.

James Kreemer
Mayor

Attested:

Candace Bruder
City Administrator/Clerk

A motion was made by Council Member Schroeder to approve the Resolution 25-05-14-14 Resolution Adopting Findings of Fact and Consideration of Conditions of Approval for Conditional Use Permit Application of Lopez Holdings FF LLC at 514 4th Avenue SE; it was seconded by Council Member Krueger: unanimously approved.

Council member Perez informed the council of the upcoming Latin Festival on July 26th and that they would like to close a portion of Central Ave on that day during the event time from 3-10pm. He also informed the council that they have been receiving donations for the festival, and it is all being run through the Chamber of Commerce. They are going to have bounce houses and various Latin foods for the public to try.

Motion was made by Mayor Kreemer to close the street from 1st Street North to 2nd Street North on Saturday July 26th, 2025, from 1-11pm, it was seconded by Council Member Gripne; unanimously approved.

Discussion on the duties of the beach supervisor and that this position will have the responsibility to maintain a safe and friendly environment at Lake Charlotte. If there are any issues the supervisors are directed at contacting the Police Department. The additional responsibilities would be to also sell concessions and possibly rent beach equipment, pickleball sets and frisbee golf sets. The tourism committee will handle the stocking of the concession stand and the license as a seasonal food stand for \$450. They are also wanting to let the council know that on days a supervisor is not at the beach they would be willing to staff the facility with tourism committee members. The days will be Wednesday-Sundays from 1-7pm that the beach supervisor will be on shift.

Motion was made by Council Member Gripne to Approve to pay the returning beach supervisors Christie Ruda and Myra Buhl \$15.84 an hour, it was seconded by Council Member Krueger; unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mayor Kreemer to Approve to pay \$15.00 an hour to new beach supervisor applicants and to advertise for this position, it was seconded by Council Member Gripne; unanimously approved.

Discussion on the Senior Center request for assistance with utility bills and that more specific information is needed regarding their budget. It was noted that furnaces are getting older in need of repair in the future, maybe some funding sources could be researched by the Senior Center.

Motion was made by Council Member Gripne to table the discussion with the Senior Center until more information is provided to make an informed decision, it was seconded by Council Member Perez; unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Council Member Krueger to Approve an Invoice from Braun Intertec for Construction Testing for \$4,380, it was seconded by Council Member Gripne; unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Mayor Kreemer to Approve Pay Application No. 4 for the Long Prairie Main Lift Station Improvement Project in the amount of \$345,087.50 to C&L Excavating, it was seconded by Council Member Krueger; unanimously approved.

Motion was made by Council Member Gripne to Reaffirm and Adopt suggested modifications per Todd Hagen from Ehlers Financial to the 2004 City of Long Prairie, Minnesota Business Subsidy Plan, it was seconded by Mayor Kreemer.

There being no further business, Council member Gripne motioned to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Council Member Krueger; unanimously approved - meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Candace Bruder, City Administrator/Clerk

James Kreemer, Mayor