

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE AMES CITY COUNCIL**

AMES, IOWA

NOVEMBER 1, 2017

The Ames City Council met in Special Session at 4:15 p.m. on the 1st day of November, 2017, in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, pursuant to law with Mayor ProTem Peter Orazem presiding and the following Council members present: Bronwyn Beatty-Hansen, Gloria Betcher, Tim Gartin, Chris Nelson. *Ex officio* Member Robert Bingham was also present. Mayor Ann Campbell and Council Member Amber Corrieri were absent.

CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE FOR NORTH GRAND CINEMA, 2801 GRAND AVENUE, STE. 1300: Council Member Gartin commented that the prospect of serving alcohol in theaters seemed “new” to him. He asked Police Commander Geoff Huff to address the concept. Commander Huff explained that the concept is new in Ames; however, there are several theaters in Iowa who do sell alcohol. He advised that he has met with the owners, and the Police Department has no concerns. Commander Huff noted that the theater’s main sources of revenue will come from something other than alcohol. He detailed the theater’s Alcohol Compliance Plan, which has been approved by the Police Department. It was also noted that the staff of the theater will attend the training offered by the Police Department on the serving of alcohol.

Lee and Diane Akin, 225-16th Street, Ames, owners of the North Grand Cinema, were present. Ms. Akin stated that this is a big step for them; however, they are very excited to be in Ames and are anxious to open. She advised that they own two other theaters: one in Elkader, Iowa, where they have served beer and wine since 2009; and one in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. At the inquiry of Council Member Gartin, Mr. Akin answered that all alcoholic beverages will be served in clear cups.

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Gartin, to approve a new Class C Liquor License for North Grand Cinema, 2801 Grand Avenue, Ste. 1300, pending dram & final inspection.

Vote on Motion: 5-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF CITY ATTORNEY: City Manager Steve Schainker gave the details of the offer that had been extended to Mark Lambert to serve as City Attorney. He noted that Mr. Lambert has accepted the offer, which is pending approval by the City Council.

Moved by Nelson, seconded by Betcher, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 17-649 approving the Offer of Employment to Mark Lambert.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0. Resolution declared adopted unanimously, signed by the Mayor, and hereby made a portion of these Minutes.

Moved by Betcher, seconded by Beatty-Hansen, to adopt RESOLUTION NO. 17-650 approving the appointment of Mark Lambert as City Attorney.

Roll Call Vote: 5-0. Resolution declared adopted unanimously, signed by the Mayor, and hereby made a portion of these Minutes.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Beatty-Hansen to adjourn the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk

Ann H. Campbell, Mayor