An **Electronic Meeting** (pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.8) of the City Council of the City of Coralville, Johnson County, IA was held Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 6:30 PM because a meeting in person is impossible or impractical due to concerns for the health and safety of Council Members, Staff and the Public presented by COVID-19. Until further notice all our Council Meetings will be held electronically only. Recorded webcasts of this meeting are on Mediacom 118-8 and on-demand at [www.coralville.org/coralvision](http://www.coralville.org/coralvision).

The following Council Members were present: Foster, Gross, Huynh, Dodds, Goodrich.

The following Staff were present at City Hall: City Attorney Don Diehl; City Attorney Kevin Olson; City Administrator Kelly Hayworth; Asst. City Administrator Ellen Habel; Finance Director Tony Roetlin; Community Development Director Dave Johnson; Production Assistant Haley Yordanoff; Communications Specialist Jon Hines and City Clerk Thorsten J. Johnson.

The following Staff was present electronically via Zoom: City Engineer Dan Holderness; Director of Parks & Recreation Sherri Proud, Athletic Supervisor Jordan Bleil; Parking & Transportation Director Vicky Robrock.

Motion by Gross, seconded by Goodrich to approve the amended agenda adding item 5a Project Better Together and removing item 13 a, b and c. Motion carried.

Votes are 5 Ayes for Motions, Resolutions and Ordinances unless otherwise noted.

Renda Green-Fishman and Julie Fitzpatrick with the American Heart Association spoke to the Council on behalf of the Go Red Campaign. Julie Fitzpatrick explained she and her spouse were longtime residents of Coralville and she has been involved with the Go Red Campaign for the last 16 years. The Go Red Campaign for women was founded 16 years ago to educate women on heart health and to advance research. About 10 years ago Fitzpatrick had a daughter born with a congenital heart defect who was saved by the research supported by the American Heart Association. It has always been known heart disease is the number one killer for men but it is not as widely know that heart disease is the number one killer of women and the American Heart Association has done a great job educating women on the fact that 80% of these deaths can be prevented by lifestyle changes and one in three women die of heart disease. Locally their chapter holds a fundraising luncheon every year, which was digital this year, and it was very well attended at the Coralville Marriott and in February they do a lot of awareness training throughout the community and a lot of local businesses have turned on red lights to raise awareness and she thanked Coralville for its participation. Fitzpatrick introduced Green-Fishman cochair of the Go Red Luncheon and she grew up in Coralville. The Go Red movement and American Heart Association became very important to her when her father had a heart attack and was saved by her mother using CPR which gave him an additional year and a half of life. The Go Red for women encourages everyone to take charge of their heart health through healthy lifestyle choices, knowing their health numbers and being familiar with the five symptoms of heart disease that are specific to women and now 90% fewer women are dying from heart disease and stroke each year. Now their ultimate goal is to have heart disease no longer be the number one cause of death in women. This year they are turning the town red by having everyone shining red lights in Iowa City, Coralville and North Liberty and Hy-Vee is having a big fundraiser this month. Green-Fishman thanked Coralville for participating and having the Iowa River Landing roundabout shine red. Lundell noted is exciting to see the community and local businesses get involved and the roundabout will look great in red for a short time.

Lundell presented plaques virtually to Tonya Burkett, Keimoney Lang and Witney Lang for Volunteer Coach of the Year for their contributions to Coralville Parks & Recreation youth volleyball program. Parks & Recreation Director Sherri Proud noted this is the second year of giving out this award and it is great to be able to recognize some of their coaches. Proud got to know Tonya Burkett and her two daughters.
Keimoney and Whitney Lang when she coached softball with the Iowa City Jaguars. It is exciting to have them volunteer and join Coralville’s program and be such great role models for our volleyball players. Proud described how Athletic Supervisors Jordan Bleil and Erik Dinusson solicited nominations from youth sports program participants. Proud noted that 2020 was a difficult year for many in the community and Tonya, Keimoney and Whitney rose to the challenge of coordinating their coaching efforts to provide local youth with a positive recreation experience and they deserve to be 2020 Volunteer Coaches of the Year. Tonya and Whitney have been coaching with the recreation center since 2009. They started when Keimoney began playing volleyball. Tonya also coaches t-ball/softball. Proud gave a brief biography on each recipient noting Whitney coaches competitive club volleyball through USAV and is currently coaching her daughter and other amazing youth athletes at Boost Volleyball Club along with her sister Whitney. Both Keimoney and Whitney played volleyball at Iowa City West and went on to play at the collegiate level. Proud stated when its safe the Mayor will present them the plaques in person and have photographs taken with them. Whitney thanked everyone for giving them the opportunity, they love the sport and passing on their passion for it and hopefully impacting players along the way and they will continue to volunteer. Lundell stated he is looking forward to meeting them in person and taking photographs.

Lundell introduced Mark Nolte, Kate Moreland and Kim Casko who proceeded with their Project Better Together Presentation. Casko stated Project Better Together was launched in May of 2020 as a community wide effort to help Johnson County recover from the impact of COVID-19 and reshape an even stronger and more resilient future. It is comprised of various organizations across the county covering various sectors of the community including government, healthcare, education, and business all working together on short-term targeted relief actions and long-term forward-thinking solutions. It is led by the Iowa City Area Business Partnership, Iowa City Area Development Group, the Iowa City Downtown District and Think Iowa City and project managed by Mark Nolte. The steering committee is over 30 leaders strong including City Administrator Kelly Hayworth and Councilmember Mitch Gross. Currently they are still in relief mode and pursuing more of the short-term targeted actions but they hope these short-term actions become long-term recovery streams and a collective vision for our future. Nolte reported the Holding Our Own Shop Local Program kept $823,000.00 in the community. Part went to supporting BIPOC immigrant businesses through a grant program and 7 of the 33 grants went to Coralville businesses. They also created an adopt a healthcare worker program, worked on food security, conducted webinars and sent out newsletters to keep everyone together and updated on all these issues and focusing on our economy supporting people most in need. Other programs include creating neighborhood NESTS, in response to on-line schooling, to provide safe engaging places with wireless internet for students. They distributed signs and a half-time video with Hawkeye athletic personalities supporting healthcare workers. There is a program to support our educators, and a press conference supporting the wearing of masks. They supported our black peers during the summer demonstrations and worked with impacted business owners. They organized a large food pantry to help Cedar Rapids derecho victims and a free day of COVID testing at the Coralville Marriott. They continue to have meetings to find ways to help with affordable housing, food security, child care, NESTS and educational support, BIPOC Immigrant business support programming and vaccine deployment. They are working with the Johnson County Health Department and health care to help spread information on who can receive the shot and where and encouraging them to get it. They are surveying businesses to see how they are doing and helping them sign up for PPE support. They plan on getting renters as much rental support as they can when it is available. Moreland stated they are responding to lessons learned and building the trust needed for this process and seeing the benefit of the power of cooperation. They need to be agile because things have changed a lot the last few months. They are planning and looking ahead to recovery mode for area communities. Moreland thanked Councilperson Meghann Foster for helping to support our BIPOC immigrant businesses. Moreland believes there is a huge opportunity to help new businesses start up after this time and to make sure we have the resources to help unemployed people find new opportunities. Moreland thinks they need to make sure there is a diverse set of people at the table to think about inclusivity as they move into recovery mode. They have benefitted from synergy across a lot of different business and social sectors and are better together responding to this crisis. They will help businesses take advantage of the next round of PPE and reach out to the underserved businesses left out of the first round. They will continue supporting vaccine efforts and the Johnson County Department of Public Health, our educational system and the local business community. They will help with the mental
and emotional health issues that have come out of this by connecting resources and mentorships to kids and connecting kids back to their school systems while giving them encouragement. Moreland asked everyone to help with February’s Show Your Love to Educators regionwide effort by reaching out with their kid’s to teachers and school staff. They will continue recovery work in areas of housing, food security, child care and the economy with their partners as this provides a huge opportunity to look ahead. More information can be found at www.icaretogether.com. Lundell thanked Nolte, Moreland and Casko for their presentation, providing another example of the great community they live in and for what they have done. Gross thought the role Nolte plays in leading this effort is understated with coordinating all of these different factions. Gross added the steering committee meetings are never a waste of time because of the progress that happens. Gross noted all the different stakeholders are getting better together and it is glad to be part of it and thanked them for all they have done. Hayworth thought one of the great things about this is learning what is going on in the community and how major medical institutions and area educational officials are participating. Goodrich thanked them for coordinating, communicating and carrying us through this time. Lundell asked for the power point presentation to be forwarded to the Council.

Lundell opened the meeting to citizen comments and noted he received a letter for Interim Director Mazhar Salih of the Center for Worker Justice (CWJ) of Eastern Iowa and she would speak later. Translator Bijou Mali explained she was there to translate for at least three non-English speaking residents. Resident Mohamed Ahmed described how the August 10th derecho left him without power for 4 to 5 days with no food at home. Ahmed was unable to get help from Coralville but Iowa City provided help and federal money for its residents right away. Ahmed asked Coralville to find a way to help its citizens. Community Organizer Mayra Hernandez with the Center for Workers Justice of Eastern Iowa described to the Council Coralville’s Utility Billing process, timeline, 10% of the bill and $20.00 late fees and $45.00 or $75.00 connection fees for residents who cannot pay their bill. Hernandez wanted the Council to know how hard it is to catch up and pay late bills. Mali explained to the Council in addition to translating she is a community leader known for helping Johnson and Linn County immigrants. Mali spoke for several residents not at the meeting because they had to work. Mali noted Iowa City has found ways to help Iowa City and Coralville residents but they are not able to help more Coralville residents for various reasons so she asked the Council to find ways to help them. Mali thanked the CWJ and food pantry but residents need more help than that. Mali asked the Council to provide immigrants with language barriers a way to find the help and resources they need and to meet so they can get to know and come to them for help. Executive Director Sara Barron with the Johnson County Affordable Housing Coalition thanked the Council for hearing their residents and know they represent many households in the community that are really struggling. Barron noted Coralville suspended water shut off’s and late fees earlier during the pandemic which has gone on a lot longer than anyone can bear and she asked the Council to help struggling residents keep their water on, preserve their housing and help them access resources coming from the federal government. Barron asked Coralville to provide housing relief from their general fund for residents and she noted even though Iowa City receives federal money they also provide 1% of their general fund for this. Barron added $195 million is coming in federal funds for rent and utility assistance so Coralville does not have to be out revenue but residents need a grace period as a system is developed to distribute these funds. Barron asked the City to step in where others have fallen short in hearing and helping their residents. Residents Luc Nzuizi, Becky Matinabo, Ibrahim Salih, Jose Nkola, Pasta Jose, Aurelie Kisembo shared their stories of being unemployed because of the pandemic and not being able to afford rent and utilities. They noted the difficulty non-English speaking immigrants have finding a job and the language barrier and making it hard to find relief programs. Several went to Iowa City and did receive rent and utility aid but it ran out at 3 months. They wondered why Coralville couldn’t help its residents like Iowa City does or at least help them find help and fill out forms to get aid. Interim Director Mazhar Salih of the CWJ noted several other Coralville residents wished to speak tonight but the language barrier made it difficult for them to access the meeting or they had to work. Salih noted last week 40 residents spoke with some of the Council and she asked the Council to meet with them again when it is safe so they can make connections with their elected officials. Salih reported the CWJ spent $38,000.00 to help at least 60 Coralville families with $7,000.00 allocated to the City for bills and of which $2,000.00 was paid directly to the City. Salih added the need for help is great and a lot of Coralville residents come to her organization to navigate them getting help. The CWJ sent a letter out to all governmental entities when their funding was low to ask for assistance and Coralville did not respond.
Salih asked the City to figure out a way together to help its residents. With governmental assistance they can keep a roof over people’s head and give them access to water. Salih looked forward to hearing back from the Mayor and Council. Lundell thanked everyone for speaking and he wished they didn’t have to use Zoom and could speak face to face.

**FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET ~ PUBLIC HEARING**

Lundell declared this the time for a public hearing on the maximum levy for the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget. Lundell noted Coralville Resident Rex Brandstatter sent the Council a letter supporting the maximum levy. There were no other public or written comments. Lundell closed the public hearing.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-14**

Resolution approving the maximum levy for the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget, was introduced by Foster, seconded by Goodrich. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

**ANTHROPOLOGIE TENANT BUILDOUT ~ PUBLIC HEARING**

Lundell declared this the time for a public hearing on the plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost and form of contract for the Anthropologie Tenant Buildout. There were no public or written comments. Lundell closed the public hearing. It was noted bids are due February 19, 2021.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-15**

Resolution approving the plans, specifications, estimate of cost and form of contract for the Anthropologie Tenant Buildout, was introduced by Gross, seconded by Huynh. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

**ANNUAL URBAN RENEWAL REPORT REVISED**

Motion by Gross, seconded by Foster approving and accepting the Annual Urban Renewal Report, Fiscal Year 2020 Revised. Motion carried.

**SCANLON FARMS SOUTH RIDGE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021-1001** An ordinance amending the Coralville Zoning Ordinance, the same being Ordinance No. 664, as previously amended, rezoning certain property located within the corporate limits of the City of Coralville, Johnson County, Iowa and generally known as Scanlon Farms South Ridge, from R-PUD 1, Residential Planned Unit Development One District, to C-PUD 1, Commercial Planned Unit Development One District, was introduced by Huynh, seconded by Goodrich for 2nd consideration. A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried.

**WEST RAMP WATERPROOFING PROJECT**

It was noted the retainage due in 30 days is $7,111.50.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-16**

Resolution accepting the West Ramp Waterproofing Project as completed, was introduced by Dodds, seconded by Foster. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

**RENAME 4TH STREET**

After the resolution was read, Goodrich asked for further information. Olson noted that this is located in what was Clarksville and Clark Drive runs parallel to 5th Street and is in the Old Town Coralville
development. This is for the portion of that road still named 4th Street that starts at the edge of the Old Town Development and runs to 1st Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-17

Resolution changing the name of the Street now known as a portion of 4th Street located in Old Town Coralville to Clark Drive, was introduced by Goodrich, seconded by Gross. A roll call vote was taken. Resolution declared adopted.

BROWN DEER GOLF CLUB MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS <REMOVED>

MOTION BY DODDS TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR items a-p inclusive.

a) Approve minutes for the January 26, 2021 Coralville City Council Regular Meeting.
b) Approve Class C Liquor License with Outdoor Service and Sunday Sales for the Vine

c) Approve Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales for Longhorn Steakhouse #5483: Eff. 3/1.
d) Approve payment to Shive-Hattery, Inc. for Iowa River Landing Parking (#1163810-27): $7,734.34.
e) Approve payment to Terraccon Consultants, Inc. for 1st Avenue Improvements – 9th Street to 6th Street (#TE60823): $1,088.00.
f) Approve payment to QC Masonry for Aquatic Center Column Replacement (#390): $12,524.00.
g) Approve payment to Rapids Reproductions for the Iowa River Landing Parking Lot 2021 (#516668-0): $697.59.
h) Approve Change Order #1: +$4,852.16; Change Order #2: +$534.75; Change Order #3: +$15,660.00; Pay Application #2: $28,684.97; and Pay Application #3: 48,546.92; to J. Harding Inc. for the 12th Avenue Ash Tree Replacement and Streetscape Rehabilitation.
i) Approve Change Order #5: +$3,053.20; and Pay Estimate #4: $105,254.05; to Peterson Contractors, Inc. for the Iowa River Trail – Rocky Shore Drive to Clear Creek.
j) Approve quote and contract to Fisher Brothers, LLC to restore the interior of the purple slide at the Aquatic Center for not to exceed $44,900.00. (A 35% deposit is required to book the job.)
k) Approve payment to Fisher Brothers, LLC for 35% deposit to book restoration of interior on Aquatic Center purple slide (#1955-275): $15,715.00.
l) Approve bid and purchase from Henderson Products, Inc. of one new 11’ Munibody and Snow Plow Package: Not to exceed $114,347.00.
m) Approve Materials Testing Proposal (Soils) for 2021 Construction Season from Terracon Consultants, Inc.

City Administrator Kelly Hayworth noted the passing of Dr. Ry Gill this week. Gill was Coralville’s first dentist and a member of the Coralville School Board when it merged with the Iowa City school system. Hayworth reported the Iowa City/Coralville Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) has been hard at work to bring three Midwest or national sporting events to Coralville in the month of March. Hayworth added during the pandemic the CVB has worked with others to provide safe environments for their events.

Mayor John A. Lundell noted the Mayor’s mask and social distancing mandates are in effect until April 15th unless conditions change which is consistent with Iowa City, North Liberty and Johnson County. Lundell noted the passing of Linda Peterson who is Lynette Jacoby’s mother. Linda is married to former City Councilmember Dave Jacoby. Lundell offered condolences to the families of Peterson and Gill.
Lundell reminded everyone Monday is President’s Day and the Library, City Hall and other administrative offices will be closed. The Recreation Center will be open and buses will operate a normal schedule. Garbage will be picked up a day later. Lundell thanked everyone for clearing their sidewalks and he asked those with fire hydrants to clear out around them.

City Attorney’s Don Diehl and Kevin Olson had nothing to report.

Councilperson Laurie Goodrich had nothing to report.

Councilperson Jill Dodds thanked he Mayor and Johnson County leadership for maintaining the mask mandate. Dodds thanked the department heads and City staff for their work on the budget because as liaison for the Parks & Recreation Commission she knows how much of a struggle it has been.

Councilperson Hai Huynh noted the Coralville Center for the Performing Arts will host a virtual theater workshop on March 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th. Huynh reminded local restaurants and bars their applications for aid are due February 15th. Huynh asked everyone to continue wearing their masks because not doing so puts others at risk and if you don’t have one ask because most places provide them.

Councilperson Meghann Foster asked where the City was at with the Police Citizen’s Review Board. Lundell responded they have worked on an application form the last few days. Hayworth confirmed they have updated the application for all boards and commissions and added information to make it easier for the Mayor and Council to see some of the diversity they are seeking so they know if candidates meet certain categories. Hayworth will send the application and a one paragraph description of the Board for them to review and see if they have any changes. They will send those out in as many different ways as they can and will notify the NAACP and LULAC. Foster reminded everyone February is Black History Month and there is a lot of great information on social media about programming activities. Foster would like Coralville to offer more programs celebrating Black History Month in the future. Foster thanked all the citizens who came to speak and she apologized for not being at the meeting last week because she was teaching. Foster is always available to meet with anyone and she is sorry things are so hard and difficult. Foster believes we have to do better at connecting citizens with the resources they need and establishing a relationship with the Center for Workers Justice (CWJ). Foster thanked Interim Director Mazhar Salih for organizing everyone attending tonight and Bijou Mali for translating. Foster stated Coralville is not afraid of big challenges and she wants to find ways to get funding to the CWJ and residents in need.

Councilperson Mitch Gross reported the Library computer lab and browsing by appointment are available again. Express computers are still available. The Library is offering assistance with taxes. February is Adult Reading Month and you can sign up for it online. Gross can relate to those attending tonight’s meeting because he is the son of an immigrant and understands the challenges and how difficult it is to navigate through the bureaucracy. Gross thinks Coralville can find ways to make access easier for our residents. Gross and Huynh met with the group last Thursday and it was the biggest community meeting he ever had with 50 people showing up. Gross noted the Congolese and French speaking population in Coralville is profound and Coralville should look into providing publications and web pages in French so they know what information and services we have to offer. Gross knows Coralville was ahead of the curve having a shut off and late fee moratorium for a few months but the pandemic has continued. The Council need to have a moratorium discussion again. Coralville is not an entitlement community like Iowa City but Coralville does have control over things like water which is a necessity and shouldn’t be shut off. Gross appreciated everyone coming forward to speak.

Goodrich thanked the Streets Department and City crews working hard outside in the freezing cold.

Motion by Gross, seconded by Dodds to adjourn at 8:06 PM. Motion carried.

John A. Lundell, Mayor

Thorsten J. Johnson, City Clerk