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COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANITOWOC AND
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWO RIVERS
AND THE MANITOWOC AREA VISITOR & CONVENTION BUREAU BOARD

Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

July 30, 2012

Jennifer Hudon, City Clerk

The Common Council of the City of Manitowoc, Wisconsin, met in adjourned session at Lincoln Park Cabin 1, 1215 N. 8th Street, Manitowoc, WI on Monday, July 30, 2012. The meeting was held jointly with the City Council of the City of Two Rivers and the Manitowoc Area Visitor and Convention Bureau Board. Said meeting was duly called, noticed, held and conducted in the manner required by the Common Council and the pertinent Wisconsin Statutes.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

On roll call the following members of the Common Council of the City of Manitowoc were present: Alderpersons Eric Sitkiewitz, Collin Braunel, Jim Brey, David Soeldner, Allan Schema, Christopher Able, Jill Hennessey and Jason Sladky. Absent: Alderpersons Scott McMeans and Tyler Martell.

On roll call the following members of the City Council of the City of Two Rivers were present: Council members Vince Alber, Lee Brocher, Herb Bunke, Kay Koach, Barbara Schweitzer, Bonnie Shimulunas, James Taddy, David Van Ginkel and Bradley Yaggie. Absent: none.

On roll call the following members of the Manitowoc Area Visitor and Convention Bureau Board were present: Pat Reilly, Chow Chong, Gary Stolp, Kay Rodewald, Rich Larsen, Greg Vadney, Cindy Thayer, Eric Sitkiewitz and Barbara Schweitzer. Absent: Jim VanLanen Jr. and Mike Shriver.

Two Rivers City Council considered ordinance to increase room tax from 6 percent to 8 percent effective January 1, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance (12-467) to amend Section 23.050 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code increasing the room tax from 6 percent to 8 percent was referred to Finance Committee.

Finance Committee returned ordinance (12-467) to amend Section 23.050 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code increasing the room tax from 6 percent to 8 percent, with a minority report recommending approval.

Aldersperson Able questioned whether or not the services agreement could be amended since it

made reference to being irrevocable. Asst. City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel spoke to the question assuring the Council that it could be amended.

After a lengthy discussion, motion by Sitkiewitz, second by Brey, to accept the Committee's report. Ayes, 4. Nays, 4. The tie vote was broken by Mayor Nickels who voted aye. Committee's report was accepted. Ayes, 5. Nays, 4.

The Manitowoc Area Visitor and Convention Bureau considered Amendment No. 1 to 2012-16 Tourism Services Agreement between City of Manitowoc, City of Two Rivers and the Manitowoc Area Convention and Visitor Bureau. Moved by Larsen, second by Vadney, and unanimously carried to enter into the amendment.

The Manitowoc Common Council considered Amendment No. 1 (12-478) to 2012-16 Tourism Services Agreement between City of Manitowoc, City of Two Rivers and the Manitowoc Area Convention and Visitor Bureau. Moved by Sitkiewitz, second by Brey recommending entering into the amendment. Ayes, 4. Nays, 4. The tie vote was broken by Mayor Nickels who voted aye. Committee's report was accepted. Ayes, 5. Nays, 4.

The Two Rivers City Council considered Amendment No. 1 to 2012-16 Tourism Services Agreement between City of Manitowoc, City of Two Rivers and the Manitowoc Area Convention and Visitor Bureau. Moved by VanGinkel, seconded, and unanimously carried to enter into the Amendment.

The City of Two Rivers Council conducted business specific to them.

Manitowoc Public Utilities and Licensing Committee returned 2012-14 Operator's License #176. Moved by Hennessey, second by Able, recommending rescinding the Council's action of July 16, 2012, denying the license and further recommending, after a non-renewal hearing, to grant the license. Ayes, 8. Nays, none. Motion carried.

Joint session was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah A. Neuser
Deputy City Clerk