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EXTRACT FROM MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUTAN, IN THE COUNTY OF SAUNDERS, STATE OF NEBRASKA HELD AT CITY HALL, YUTAN, NEBRASKA ON THE 29TH DAY OF AUGUST 2018, AT 5:00 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting notice, a designated method for giving notice, as shown by the (Affidavit of Publication) (Certificate of Posting Notice) attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Mayor Egr. Mayor Egr opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members Beck, Long, McLaughlin, and Peterson were present. Council member Long was initially absent but arrived during the meeting. Mayor Egr informed all of the individuals present of the location of the poster regarding the Open Meetings Act.

- 1) The City's attorney, Maureen Freeman-Caddy, was present to discuss Resolution 2018-6: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUTAN, NEBRASKA PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL OPTION REVENUE ACT PROPOSING AND SUBMITTING TO VOTERS AT THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX RATE OF ONE AND ONE-HALF PERCENT (1 ½%). Mayor Egr explained that council member Long would be a few minutes late to the meeting. Council member McLaughlin informed those present that he and council member Long discussed this matter, as he was not present at the last special meeting on this subject, and that council member Long told him that, after doing some additional research, he has changed his stance on his prior opposition to the phrase "public infrastructure" as a possible use for sales tax revenue. Ms. Freeman-Caddy explained that she included that wording in the resolution, as many other communities have, to leave the possible uses broad enough for the council to have options down the line should the City ever be in the position of needing to use the funds for something other than parks and recreation. The Mayor and City Council discussed the limits of sales tax percentages with the attorney. Council member Peterson explained that, of all the local communities she has reviewed, the majority are implementing or have already implemented a 1.5% sales tax. Council member McLaughlin questioned what specific expenses could fall under "public infrastructure needs" and was told that it could include street, water, and sewer projects. The City Council discussed removing that phrase from the resolution, and Ms. Freeman-Caddy told them that its removal should not cause any issues. Council member

Peterson asked whether sales tax revenue could be used to acquire land, and Ms. Freeman-Caddy informed her that it would be possible if the land purchase was for improvement purposes; she also stated that repairs, if improving the function or operation of a City-provided service, could also be considered a public improvement. It was decided that, if a sales tax ballot measure is voted in by the public, all sales tax revenue would be held in a separate checking account for tracking and accounting purposes. At this point in the discussion, council member Long arrived and was given a summary of the discussion held prior to his arrival. Council member Long was also informed that the City Council intended to strike the phrase “public infrastructure needs” from Resolution 2018-6, and after it was explained that Ms. Freeman-Caddy did not believe that it would cause any issues in the future, council member Long agreed to the change. A motion to approve Resolution 2018-6 with the aforementioned revision was made by Long and seconded by Peterson. Upon roll call vote was as follows. YEA: Beck, Long, McLaughlin and Peterson. NO: None. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Katy Mattheis, Clerk/Treasurer

Darin Egr, Mayor