

Rob Hardy stated that Aldi and Holiday just broke ground on a project he is working on in Fargo, North Dakota and anticipates opening in October 2020. He stated that there is a five- or six-month construction period for this type of project.

Member Riley asked for additional details on the general interest that there was for the project prior to COVID-19 and how this situation may impact the interest in development.

Mr. Hardy stated that initially he met with Kwik Trip last May and that business indicated a sincere intent to move forward on the project. He stated that Kwik Trip indicated that it would most likely take until this spring to gain corporate approval and move forward. He noted that administrative staff has been working from home, which placed a delay on Kwik Trip moving forward. He stated that he has asked for the minimum amount of time he would need and hopes to bring something forward later this year. He stated that he spoke with other retailers that have shutdown development activity at this time because of the COVID-19 uncertainty. He noted that he continues his efforts with retailers and provides a weekly update to Ramsey staff.

Motion by Member Hardin, seconded by Member Cords, to recommend to City Council to approve of Second Amendment to Purchase Agreement for Lots 1, 2, and 3 Block 1, COR TWO; subject to City Attorney approval as to legal form.

A roll call vote was performed by the Deputy City Administrator:

Member Cords	aye
Member Hardin	aye
Member Heineman	aye
Member Kuzma	aye
Member Riley	aye
Member Burandt	aye
Chairperson Steffen	abstain

Motion carried.

Chairperson Steffen rejoined the group.

4.02: Consider First Amendment to Purchase Agreement with Gigi's Salon and Spa, Inc.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan presented the staff report.

Member Hardin asked if the other diligence items have been completed.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan replied that the title work was completed, and the site is pad ready and does not require additional environmental work. He stated that the delay is simply to allow the business additional time to make the decision, due to the impacts from the required closure.

Member Cords stated that he would wonder if 60 days is enough, as the business cannot yet be open. He stated that perhaps the 90 days be granted even though only 60 was requested.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan stated that staff is always negotiating with the developer. He stated that the applicant requested 60 to 90 days and staff suggested proceeding with a request for 60 days. He believed the applicant would appreciate the additional time 90 days would provide.

Chairperson Steffen commented that he would also be comfortable with 90 days.

Motion by Member Cords, seconded by Member Kuzma, to recommend approval of the First Amendment to Purchase Agreement, subject to City Attorney review, amending the term from 60 days to 90 days.

A roll call vote was performed by the Deputy City Administrator:

Member Cords	aye
Member Hardin	aye
Member Heineman	aye
Member Kuzma	aye
Member Riley	aye
Member Burandt	aye
Chairperson Steffen	aye

Motion carried.

4.03: Finalize Implementation of COVID-19 Assistance Plan Phase 1

Economic Development Manager Sullivan presented the staff report.

Chairperson Steffen asked if the businesses listed in the case are all of the liquor license holders in Ramsey and whether some businesses have already paid the fee or whether all the licenses would be up for renewal.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan confirmed that list includes all of the on-sale license holders in Ramsey. He replied that the renewals are sent out in May and due in June, so the businesses will not have to pay the fee this year.

Member Cords asked the percentage of the license that would be considered the City portion.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan replied that there are different types of on-sale licenses which range from \$5,200 to \$5,500 for each business. He stated that the City did not want to interfere with licensing that may be required through the State and therefore specified that the assistance would only apply to the City required fees.