

**- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
MAY 17, 2010**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Windschitl at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Present: Councilmembers Schulz, Boe, Ford, Businaro, and Mayor Windschitl. Absent: None.

Also Present: Luke Melchert, City Attorney; Bart Fischer, Assistant City Administrator; Kevin Ringwald, Planning Director; Bill Monk, City Engineer; and Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator.

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Ford to adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

5. Visitor

A representative from the King's Foundation appeared before the Council to explain that they would like to open a café/lounge in Chaska that will focus on giving teens something to do after school. The facility will have coffee, food, games, and free WiFi. The representative stated they would like to work with City Staff and receive support from the Council.

6. Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2010 City Council meeting.

Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the Consent Agenda Items a through e; with Councilmember stating his support of the CSO presence in the schools and encouraging Staff to continue to work with the School District.

- a. Approve minutes of the May 12, 2010 Planning Commission Meeting
- b. Approve minutes of the May 10, 2010 Park & Recreation Board Meeting
- c. Adopt Resolution No. 10-34 Approving Solicitor Permit for Jennifer Moore of Edward Jones

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-34 approving Solicitor Permit No. SOL.10-10 in the name of Jennifer Moore of Edward Jones located at 110703 Kings Lane, Chaska, Mn. 55318 for the period May 18 through December 31, 2010.

- d. Adopt Resolution No. 10-32 Awarding Bid for North Meadows Reconstruction Project
Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 10-32 awarding the bid for the North Meadows Reconstruction Project to Northwest Asphalt, Inc. in the low bid amount of \$925,898.48.
- e. Approval of Revised School Resource Contract

Motion to approve the School Resource Officer Contract between the City of Chaska and School District #112, and to authorize the City Administrator to enter into this agreement.

Motion carried.

8. Adopt Resolution #10-35 Approving a Negative Declaration on the need for an EIS for the Chaska Creek Corporate Park (Frey Property)

The City Administrator introduced the item to the Council.

The Planning Director presented the item to the Council and gave the reasons for an EAW.

Councilmember Schulz pointed out there was support from a number of State agencies for this issue.

Councilmember Businaro asked if there was any feedback from the surrounding neighbors, and the Planning Director stated there was not. He also asked about uses for the site, specifically retail. The Planning Director said they wanted to maintain the maximum flexibility for the site.

Mayor Windschitl inquired whether we are way out in front on this or if there is a use coming in the near future. The Planning Director stated that we are out in front but it will help assist with and draw users to the development.

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Boe to adopt Resolution No. 10-35, issuing a negative declaration relative to the need for an EIS for Chaska Creek Corporate Park (Frey Property).

Motion carried.

9. Adopt Resolution #10-36, Approving the Chaska Building Center Concept Plan/Preliminary Plat PC. No. 10-05/DDK Construction

The City Administrator introduced the item to the Council.

The Planning Director presented the item to the Council.

Councilmember Schulz inquired whether the Resolution includes removal of the building and/or cleanup of the east side of the site.

The Planning Director stated it is included.

Councilmember Businaro asked if the current buildings are structurally sound, and was told they are, but the aesthetics need to be reviewed.

Mayor Windschitl asked if it was possible to make the current building look appealing, and the Planning Director said it is but it would be a challenge. Also, there are more steps for the applicant to go through before final approval of the plan. The Mayor also asked if the setbacks from the creek are correct and the Planning Director said they are.

Councilmember Businaro asked how the fence issues would be addressed. The Planning Director stated there will be no fence, but landscaping will be used to deal with the aesthetic issues.

Dave Pokorney, of Community Asset Development Group, appeared before the Council as a representative of DDK Construction. He summarized the project and re-development plan.

Councilmember Ford asked what kind of uses Staff envisioned for the site. The Planning Director and City Administrator advised that they would like to see uses that compliment the downtown and do not conflict with the downtown. Councilmember Ford asked Pokorney if he felt two hardware stores could be successful in town. Pokorney said he was confident the market could support their proposal.

Councilmember Schulz stated he still has some concerns about the plan, but was pleased that all parties appear to moving ahead cautiously.

Councilmember Boe agreed that it is important to go slow with the plan, as this is an important site in the downtown area.

Motion by Councilmember Schulz, second by Councilmember Boe to adopt Resolution #10-36, approving the Concept Plan for the western side of the site (Lots 1 & 2) and the Preliminary Plat for the Chaska Building Center, subject to the stipulations and conditions as found in the said resolution.
Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Ford to table the discussion for the eastern half (Outlots A & B) of the site, pending the completion of the Downtown Master Plan, which will serve as a redevelopment guide for the area, not to exceed 180 days (October 22, 2010), as agreed to by the applicant.
Motion carried.

10. Bills

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Ford to approve the bills as presented. Roll call was taken. Voting aye: Councilmembers Schulz, Boe, Ford, Businaro, and Mayor Windschitl. Voting nay: None
Motion carried.

11. Other Business

- Councilmember Schulz
Offered congratulations to Chaska High School for winning the Fox 9 News School Spirit Award.
Asked for an update on the 2010 BioScience Conference in Chicago, which the City Administrator provided.

- Councilmember Ford
Updated the Council on the success of Christmas in May last Saturday and thanked everyone who participated.
Mentioned the success of the St. Paul Saints baseball game at Athletic Park.
Reminded the Council and residents of Chaska Area Taste on Wednesday, May 19th, hosted by the SW Area Chamber of Commerce.
Asked for an update on the ED Campus project, which the City Administrator provided, advising that negotiations are in progress with the Frey property.
Reminded the Council of the Council/Department Head Retreat on Thursday, May 20th.
- Councilmember Boe
Also mentioned the success of Christmas in May and the upcoming Chaska Area Taste event.
Stated he has been working with the Jonathan Association to partner with the City for more efficiency.
- Councilmember Businaro
Inquired what could be done to remedy Fourth Street, and referenced the City Engineer's memo about street projects and the City Administrator presented a summary and update of the street reconstruction plan.

12. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Schulz, second by Councilmember Boe to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Motion carried.