

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
JULY 12, 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; and Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator.

4. Adopt the Agenda

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

Motion carried.

5. Visitor

Mike Hanlon of the Mill House Gallery on Pine Street announced the downtown businesses "Walk the Sidewalk" sales during River City Days, July 23-25.

6. Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Schulz, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2010 meeting.

Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the Consent Agenda Items a through d, with the City Administrator providing a map to further clarify Item 7b; and Councilmembers Businaro and Boe acknowledging the service of the election judges:

- a. Proclamation Commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Athletic Park
Motion to approve a Proclamation declaring July 18, 2010 as Athletic Park Day in the City of Chaska commemorating its 60th anniversary.
- b. Approve MN Wetland Conservation Act Notice of Decision for West Creek Corporate Center
Motion to approve the Notice of Decision for the Westland Plan for West Creek Corporate Center.
- c. Adopt Resolution No. 10-46 Approving the Appointment of Primary Election Judges
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-46 appointing those persons listed on Exhibit A as Judges of Election for the State Primary Election, Tuesday, August 10, 2010.
- d. Approve Appointment of Heritage Preservation Commission Vice Chair
Motion to approve Joyce Bohn as Vice Chair of the Heritage Preservation Commission.

Motion carried.

8. Public Hearing: Adopt Resolution No. 10-48 Authorizing the Adoption of Amendments to a Capital Improvement Plan and Issuance of General Obligation Capital Improvement Plan Bonds

The City Administrator presented the item to the Council.

Councilmember Businaro inquired about the process to be used, which was clarified by the City Administrator.

The Mayor stated that this was the time and place fixed for a Public Hearing to be held on the adoption of amendments to a Capital Improvement Plan (the "Plan") and issuance of Capital Improvement Plan Bonds pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.521 (the "Bonds"). The City Clerk presented an affidavit showing publication of the notice of Public Hearing at least fourteen (14) but not more than twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date fixed for the Public Hearing in the Chaska Herald, being the official newspaper of the City. The affidavit was examined, found to be satisfactory and ordered placed on file with the City Clerk.

The Mayor then opened the meeting for the Public Hearing on the proposal to adopt the amendments to the Plan and issue the Bonds at 7:25 pm. The purpose of the Hearing was explained, the nature of the Plan and proposed Bonds was discussed and all persons present who desired to do so were afforded an opportunity to express their views with respect to the proposal to issue the Bonds and adopt the amendments to the Plan.

No one appeared before the Council to state or file their views on the proposals and Mayor declared the Public Hearing to be closed at 7:26 pm.

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to adopt Resolution No. 10-48 authorizing the adoption of amendments to a capital improvement plan and issuance of general obligation capital improvement plan bonds.

Motion carried.

9. Adopt Resolution No. 10-49 in Support of Livable Communities Demonstration Account Funding

The City Administrator and Assistant City Administrator presented the item to the Council.

Councilmember Boe asked if we were assured of the grant. He was told that we have not been assured but have been working with the Met Council staff on the issue.

Councilmember Boe inquired whether we would buy the property, sell the building to Coopers and sell the land to the Land Trust for one dollar.

The Assistant Administrator stated that was correct.

Councilmember Boe asked if there would be a mechanism in place to keep the site a grocery store.

He was told by the City Administrator that the Land Trust would own the land and provide this mechanism.

Mayor Windschitl asked how much the grant is for and what would happen if we don't get the grant.

He was told the grant is for \$500,000 and if we do not get it there are other opportunities, such as a storefront loan, or electric rebates and other assistance. We should know whether we have received the grant by the end of the year.

Councilmember Businaro asked how the CDA and Coopers are helping with the grant application, and the City Administrator said the City is acting as the grant coordinator for the three properties.

Councilmember Bow inquired if the grant will make the City whole on costs, and the City Administrator said it would.

Councilmember Businaro asked if the CDA could issue a resolution of support. The City Administrator stated they are still having conversations internally.

Councilmember Boe asked if a zoning change would be needed. The City Administrator said that would be done throughout the process, if needed.

Motion by Councilmember Ford, second by Councilmember Boe to adopt Resolution No. 10-49 supporting application for LCDA funds in an effort to support Cooper's grocery store as a sustainable use in the Chaska Downtown area and assist the Carver County CDA in their on-going need for space.

Motion carried.

9. Bills

Councilmember Businaro thanked the Chaska Legion for everything they do to contribute to community events.

Councilmember Schulz Inquired about RTU Systems and was told by the City Administrator that it had to do with the City Hall HVAC systems.

Councilmember Boe inquired about payment to Account Temps and was told that it was for the temporary Accounts Payable position. Copouncilmember Boe also asked about mowing in Chevalle and was told these costs will be assessed back to the property owner.

Councilmember Ford asked about the Northern Lights Café Birthday package and it was explained that people pay the City for a birthday package and the City pays the café.

Motion by Councilmember Ford, second by Councilmember Businaro 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.

10. Other Business

Councilmember Schulz:

- Inquired about the Veteran's Park signage and was told the signage is not a memorial but rather the signage that will face Highway 212.
- Councilmember Boe asked if the flags will be lit and the City Administrator said he would find out.
- The Mayor asked if there will be any military equipment placed at the park and the City Administrator said it had been discussed.
- Councilmember Schulz asked if the area for the memorial had shifted and the City Administrator said he would find out.
- The Mayor questioned whether there have been concerns about the lights. The City Administrator said they have worked hard to keep the lights from shining onto residences.
- Councilmember Schulz stated he would like to see the memorial in place soon.
- Councilmember Businaro inquired whether SW Christian High School pays the City to use the baseball field and was told they are treated exactly like any other groups that use the fields.

Councilmember Businaro:

- Asked where SW Christian High School is currently at in their proposal to locate in the industrial park. The City Administrator gave an update on the matter.
- He thanked the City Administrator for putting together the "Bi-Weekly" and directed residents where to find it on the web site.

Councilmember Ford:

- Inquired about the City of Chaska signage on Highway 212 and was told the City Engineer will prepare a formal update on the matter, as he continues to work with MnDOT.
- Complimented City Staff on providing handicapped access to the Post Office.

Councilmember Boe:

- Stated that goose droppings had been cleaned up on the trails in the Clover Ridge neighborhood, but that it needed to be done again.
- Inquired about the status of the stop light at Engler Boulevard and was told by the City Administrator that residents of the area had been sent an informational letter and the temporary signal will be installed this year. Also, a neighborhood meeting will be held in the near future.

City Administrator Podhradsky:

- Inquired about the interest of the Council in having a City informational booth at River City Days.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Reminded the Council and residents about Team USA playing at Athletic Park on Wednesday, July 14th.
- Inquired as to when Ace Hardware is planning to open and was told their goal is to open by the end of July.
- Stated that a number of people had commented favorably on the new audio/visual equipment in the Council Chambers.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Schulz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Motion carried.