

CITY OF BLAINE
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, June 20, 2022

7:30PM
Council Chambers
10801 Town Square Drive

CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR SANDERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:37PM by Mayor Sanders followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Roll Call.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Tim Sanders, Councilmembers Wes Hovland, Tom Newland, and Jess Robertson, Richard Paul, and Julie Jeppson.

ABSENT: Councilmember Chris Massoglia

Quorum Present.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Michelle Wolfe; City Planner Sheila Sellman; Public Works Director Jon Haukaas; Police Chief/Safety Services Manager Brian Podany; Finance Director Joe Huss; City Engineer Dan Schluender; City Attorney Chris Nelson; Parks & Recreation Senior Manager Jerome Krieger; Accounting Supervisor Bonnie Frederich; and City Clerk Catherine Sorensen.

AWARDS - PRESENTATIONS - ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Review 2021 Audit and Financial Report

Andy Hering, CPA with Redpath & Company, presented the results from the City's 2021 audit to the council. He reported the City received a clean or unmodified opinion, which was the highest opinion. He commented on the City's general fund and enterprise fund balances, along with how the City met all legal compliance reporting. He commended the City on its strong financial position and asked for comments or questions.

Mayor Sanders thanked Mr. Hering for his thorough presentation.

Finance Director Huss thanked Accounting Supervisor Bonnie Frederich for her accounting efforts on behalf of the City. He encouraged the council to speak directly to the auditors if they have any comments or questions.

OPEN FORUM FOR CITIZEN INPUT

Mayor Sanders opened the Open Forum at 7:59PM.

There being no input, Mayor Sanders closed the Open Forum at 7:59PM.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Newland abstained from voting on the schedule of bills paid.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Hovland, that the following be approved:

8.1 Motion 22-110, Schedule of Bills Paid.

8.2 Motion 22-111, Approval of Minutes.

8.3 Resolution No. 22-103, Granting Final Plat Approval to Subdivide 81.66 Acres into 106 Single Family Lots and Three Outlots to be Known as Preserve at Lexington Waters at 13101 Lever Street NE. Blaine 2022, LLC. (Case File No. 22-0039/SAS).

8.4 Motion 22-112, Authorize Temporary Removal of Parking Restrictions on 91st Avenue, 92nd Avenue, 92nd Lane and Baltimore Street to Accommodate Lettermen Sports Tent Sales on August 1, 2022 - August 9, 2022.

8.5 Motion 22-113, Authorize Temporary Removal of Parking Restrictions on 103rd Lane and National Street for a Centennial Elementary School Event on October 5, 2022 (Rain Date: October 6, 2022).

8.6 Motion 22-114, Approve 2022-2023 Liquor License Renewals.

8.7 Motion 22-115, Ratification of Local 392 (Police Captains) Labor Agreement for 2022-2024.

8.8 Motion 22-116, Authorize a Professional Services Contract with Automatic Systems Co. For On-Going Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) Software Integration Services.

Motion adopted unanimously.

7:30PM - PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ITEMS SET FOR A CERTAIN TIME

None.

DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

None.

ADMINISTRATION

11.1 Resolution No. 22-105, Amend the 2022 Storm Drainage Utility Fund Budget.

Mr. Huss stated the council adopted the 2022 Storm Drainage Utility Fund budget on December 6, 2021. This utility is designed to recover the cost of maintaining the City's storm drainage system. All amendments proposed herein require a reallocation of previously appropriated funds.

Public Works Director Haukaas explained the amendment brought forth would reappropriate funds appropriated for capital equipment as well as capital project appropriations. The Storm Drainage Fund's capital equipment budget originally included a \$60,000 expenditure for a scale to accurately measure salt use. After discussions with vendors, staff has determined that it would be more efficient and affordable to implement salt measuring technology by installing sensors directly onto the plow trucks. This eliminates the staff time required to continually load and empty trucks to accurately weigh and record salt use. Staff requests the council approval to reappropriate these funds to upgrade the salt distribution technology in up to seven existing dump trucks at a total cost of approximately \$46,000. Staff commented further on the request, described how funds would be reallocated and recommended approval to reappropriate funds in the approved stormwater capital budget.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Newland, that Resolution No. 22-105, "Amend the 2022 Storm Drainage Utility Fund Budget," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Wolfe reported the City's federal lobbyist would be visiting Blaine on July 6 and July 7.

Councilmember Jeppson invited the community to attend the Blaine Festival and parade which would be held June 24 through June 26.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember, seconded by Councilmember, to adjourn the meeting at 8:03PM.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Tim Sanders, Mayor

ATTEST:

Catherine Sorensen, CMC, City Clerk
Submitted by Minute Maker Secretarial