



City of Blaine
Anoka County, Minnesota
Minutes
City Council

Blaine City Hall
10801 Town Sq Dr NE
Blaine MN 55449

Monday, June 17, 2019

7:30 PM

Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mayor Ryan followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Roll Call.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Quorum Present.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Clark Arneson; Planning and Community Development Director Bryan Schafer; Public Works Director Jon Haukaas; Finance Director Joe Huss; Economic Development Coordinator Erik Thorvig; Public Services Manager/Assistant City Manager Bob Therres; City Attorney Patrick Sweeney; City Engineer Dan Schluender; Senior Engineering Technician Jason Sundeen; Communications Coordinator; and City Clerk Catherine Sorensen.

Present: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.-1 RECENTLY HELD MEETINGS

Attachments: [06-03-19 Workshop Minutes - SGR](#)
[06-03-19 Workshop Minutes](#)
[06-03-19 Council Minutes](#)
[06-10-19 Closed Workshop - Comp Study Review - Patrol Union Labor](#)

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Paul, that the Minutes of Workshop Meeting – SGR of June 3, 2019, Minutes of Workshop Meeting of June 3, 2019, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 3, 2019, and Minutes of Closed Workshop Meeting of June 10, 2019 be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

5. AWARDS - PRESENTATIONS - ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

None.

None.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

None.

7. OPEN FORUM

Mayor Ryan opened the Open Forum at 7:36 p.m.

There being no input, Mayor Ryan closed the Open Forum at 7:36 p.m.

None.

8. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as amended removing Item 12.10 and moving Item 12.12 after the Consent Agenda.

9. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Hovland requested the removal of agenda item 9.2.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Garvais, that the following be approved:

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

9.-1

SCHEDULE OF BILLS PAID

Attachments: [May 2019 Payroll Checks and Wire Transfers](#)
[05/31/2019 Bills Paid](#)
[06/07/2019 Bills Paid](#)

**9.-3 AWARD CONTRACT FOR STORM SEWER LINING TO
INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$61,374.00**

**9.-4 GRANT PERMANENT WETLAND MANAGEMENT
CORRIDOR AND PUBLIC DRAINAGE SYSTEM
EASEMENTS ON 12260 LEXINGTON AVENUE TO RICE
CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**

Attachments: [WMC Easement](#)
[WMC Easement Figure 1](#)
[WMC Easement Figure 2](#)
[Buffer Declaration](#)
[Public Drainage System Easement](#)
[Public Drainage Easement Figure](#)

**9.-2 APPROVE A CARNIVAL LICENSE FOR AMUSEMENT
ATTRACTIONS AT AQUATORE PARK FOR THE
BLAINE FESTIVAL, JUNE 27 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019**

Councilmember Hovland asked for information on the new fireworks date. Public Services Manager/ Assistant City Manager Therres reported the fireworks display had been moved to Saturday, June 29. He explained the 3M Open tournament would also have a fireworks display on Friday, July 5.

Moved by Councilmember Hovland, seconded by Councilmember Paul, that Motion 19-113, "Approve a Carnival License for Amusement Attractions at Aquatore Park for the Blaine Festival, June 27 through June 30, 2019," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

ADMINISTRATION

12.
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SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ADMINISTRATION OF CITY AFFAIRS, SECTION 6.05, PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BLAINE

Attachments: [Purchases and Contract Limits](#)
[Purchases and Contracts Amount Listing](#)

City Clerk Sorensen stated at the annual Charter Commission meeting, the Commission unanimously voted to approve increasing the expenditure limit for purchases and contracts by the City Manager from the current \$20,000 to \$50,000 and directed staff to bring the item forward for public hearing and Council consideration as outlined in Statute. The public hearing and first reading was held on June 3 with direction for a worksession prior to second reading. Charter Commissioner Goracke attended the June 10 worksession to help respond to Council's questions regarding emergency purchases and the possible lack of budget oversight should the limit increase. He explained the Commission felt the purchases were already approved by Council through the annual budget process and should be approved by the City Manager without additional Council approval. He shared how the Commission thought the process would expedite execution of contracts and purchases while still providing Council with oversight of the adopted City budget through review of schedule of bills paid. The Council requested that should the amendment be adopted a list be included in the Council packet of items purchased that range between \$20,000 and \$50,000 so they are easily identifiable by members of the public and would like to be notified in the event of a significant emergency purchase.

Councilmember Robertson stated she would be offering her support for this item and clarified these purchases were for budgeted items. She thanked staff for providing the additional documentation requested for purchases in the range of \$20,000 to \$50,000 for transparency purposes and recommended the Council hold a future discussion on emergency purchases.

Moved by Councilmember Swanson, seconded by Mayor Ryan, that Ordinance 19-2427, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Administration of City Affairs, Section 6.05, Purchase and Contracts, of the Charter of the City of Blaine," be approved.

Mayor Ryan requested a roll call vote.

**Councilmember Garvais – aye
Councilmember Hovland – aye
Councilmember Jeppson – aye
Councilmember Paul – aye
Councilmember Robertson – aye**

Councilmember Swanson – aye
Mayor Ryan – aye

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

10. 7:30 P.M. - PUBLIC HEARING AND ITEMS PUBLISHED FOR A CERTAIN TIME

None.

None.

11. DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

11.-1

CREEKSIDE VILLAGE TRAIL CONSIDERATION

Attachments: [trail exhibit](#)

Planning and Community Development Director Schafer stated the Creekside Village development (former Be-Bops softball complex) was approved in April 2018 and has been under development with new homes since late last summer. One of the considerations in the plat approval was a 1,000-foot segment of trail adjacent to the plat and along the north side of 109th Avenue. The trail section in question was to run from Fillmore Street to the new Polk Street and primarily serves as a trail access for the residents in the Fillmore Street neighborhood. This was a neighborhood concern voiced at the planning commission and city council during the approval process. As part of the final plat approval, it was determined that the city and developer would share the trail cost equally at 50%. In the development agreement executed between the developer and the City, it was further defined that the City's share would be limited to not more than \$16,000. This amount was based on an anticipated cost of just over \$30,000. As more is now known about the poor soil conditions in the county right-of-way, it is believed that the cost could be more in the \$85,000-\$100,000 range. The developer has requested that the city reconsider the amount the City is willing to provide by increasing the City's 50% share to not more than \$50,000.

Mayor Ryan said he supported the City paying half of this trail expense.

Councilmember Hovland agreed stating he wanted to see trail connections completed when possible.

Moved by Councilmember Hovland, seconded by Councilmember Jeppson, that Resolution No. 19-87, "Creekside Village Trail Consideration," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

11.-2

GRANTING FINAL PLAT APPROVAL TO SUBDIVIDE APPROXIMATELY 40 ACRES INTO 36 LOTS AND FOUR OUTLOTS TO BE KNOWN AS MILL POND AT 13045 LEVER STREET. (TEGL/AREP MILL POND, LP) (CASE FILE NO. 18-0012/SLK)

Attachments: [Attachments](#)

Mr. Schafer stated the final plat proposal consists of subdividing approximately 40 acres into a subdivision with a total of 36 new dwelling units and four outlots. The plat includes outlots for ponds, drainage, wetlands, and future development. All local public streets require dedication of 60 feet of right-of-way and shall be constructed to 29 feet back to back of width. All streets will follow the Anoka County street name grid system. Developer and staff will work together to identify areas of the plat where additional trees can be saved through the use of custom grading, retaining walls, and by structure design. The property owners in this plat, together with other property owners along Lever Street have petitioned for trunk sanitary sewer, water main, and street improvements to be constructed to serve the plat. A feasibility report was prepared and presented to the City Council on June 1, 2017. The report identified assessments that each parcel on Lever Street would pay for the proposed improvements. The estimated cost for property owners of this plat are estimated at \$192,423. The Blaine City Council held a public hearing and ordered improvements on July 13, 2017. The Mill Pond development will be responsible for paying assessments for the improvements.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Hovland, that Resolution No. 19-88, "Granting Final Plat Approval to Subdivide Approximately 40 Acres into 36 Lots and Four Outlots to be known as Mill Pond at 13045 Lever Street," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

11.-3

SECOND READING

GRANTING A REZONING FROM FR (FARM RESIDENTIAL) TO DF (DEVELOPMENT FLEX) FOR APPROXIMATELY 5.25 ACRES LOCATED AT 116TH AVENUE NE AND ULYSSES STREET NE. ARROYO VILLAS. (RANGER DEVELOPMENT) (CASE FILE NO.

19-0019)

Attachments: [Attachments](#)

Mr. Schafer stated this property is currently zoned FR (Farm Residential) and the proposed zoning of the property is DF (Development Flex). The land use of the property is LDR (Low Density Residential), which requires a density of under 6 units per acre. The density of this plat is approximately 4 units per acre. The rationale for the rezoning are as follows:

1. The DF zoning standards to be incorporated are consistent with and will complement homes and housing options that have been constructed within recent master planned developments.
2. The DF zoning district allows the city the opportunity to have some flexibility when approving developments that warrant higher standards than what is allowed with the traditional zoning districts. It affords the city the opportunity to provide input on items that would benefit the surrounding neighborhoods and the city as a whole.

Moved by Mayor Ryan, seconded by Councilmember Jeppson, that Ordinance No. 19-2426, "Granting a Rezoning from FR (Farm Residential) to DF (Development Flex) for approximately 5.25 Acres located at 116th Avenue NE and Ulysses Street NE," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

11.-4

**GRANTING PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL TO
SUBDIVIDE APPROXIMATELY 5.28 ACRES INTO 22
SINGLE FAMILY LOTS AND 2 OUTLOTS TO BE
KNOWN AS ARROYO VILLAS LOCATED AT 116TH
AVENUE NE AND ULYSSES STREET. (RANGER
DEVELOPMENT) (CASE FILE NO. 19-0019/LSJ)**

Mr. Schafer stated the preliminary plat includes 22 single family detached units and two outlots. Outlot A is being used for ponding and is in a drainage and utility easement. Outlot B will be used for a private drive. The plat will be accessed off of Ulysses Street by one driveway. The internal road will be considered private and will be maintained by the association. The internal road shall be named 115th Circle NE.

Moved by Councilmember Swanson, seconded by Councilmember Jeppson, that Resolution No. 19-89, "Granting Preliminary Plat approval to Subdivide approximately 5.28 Acres into 22 Single Family Lots and 2 Outlots to be known as Arroyo Villas located at 116th Avenue NE and Ulysses Street," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

11.-5

**GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW
FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF 22 SINGLE FAMILY
HOMES (DETACHED TOWNHOMES) IN A DF
(DEVELOPMENT FLEX) ZONING DISTRICT LOCATED
AT 116TH AVENUE NE AND ULYSSES STREET.
ARROYO VILLAS (RANGER DEVELOPMENT). (CASE
FILE NO. 19-0019/LSJ)**

Mr. Schafer stated this housing type is consistent with the existing detached townhomes that have been recently built by Hedberg Homes in the Lakes, the Woodland Village Development and Club West. The product being provided will be attractive to empty nesters or single home buyers. The proposed single-family products would include maintenance free, vinyl siding, some hardie siding, culture stone, shakes and batten board. The floor plans would provide 1,800 to 1,900 square feet of finished area. The homes will be built slab-on-grade (no basements). The estimated price range is \$280,000-\$400,000.

Moved by Councilmember Robertson, seconded by Councilmember Jeppson, that Resolution No. 19-90, "Granting a Conditional Use Permit to Allow for the Construction of 22 Single Family Homes (Detached Townhomes) in a DF (Development Flex) Zoning District located at 116th Avenue NE and Ulysses Street," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

12. ADMINISTRATION - continued

12.-1

CENTURYLINK SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Attachments: [Memo and Settlement Agreement](#)

City Manager Arneson stated the North Metro Telecommunications Commission (NMTC) has reached a settlement agreement with CenturyLink. In a memo from Heidi Arneson, Executive Director of the NMTC, she explained that CenturyLink has announced its intent to exit the cable business. The NMTC was the first to notify CenturyLink that it was in violation of their franchise agreement by making no attempt to serve additional subscribers and entered into settlement discussions with CenturyLink. The NMTC approved the settlement agreement at their May 15, 2019 meeting and also recommend that the member cities approve the agreement.

Moved by Councilmember Swanson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, that Motion 19-116, "CenturyLink Settlement Agreement," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-2

APPROVAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Attachments: [2019 License Agreement](#)

Mr. Arneson stated as a part of the 3M Open golf tournament, the 95th Avenue Park and Ride was identified as a site for overflow parking. The site is owned by the Metropolitan Council, so an agreement is required for its use. The agreement includes insurance requirements and fees associated with the use of the facility. Per the previously approved Event Support and Funding Agreement with the 3M Open, any fees paid by the City will be reimbursed back to us by the 3M Open.

Councilmember Garvais stressed the need for messaging when this overflow lot is opened for use. Communications Coordinator Ben Hayle explained the tournament has hired a parking group to run the parking operations. He stated signage would be posted at the National Sports Center when the lots were full to encourage visitors to proceed to the overflow lots. He indicated this information would also be posted through the City's social media channels.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, that Motion 19-117, "Approval of License Agreement with the Metropolitan Council," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-3

EXTEND CONTRACT WITH WALTERS RECYCLING AND REFUSE, INC. FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROCESSING THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

Finance Director Huss stated in 2018, representatives from Walters Recycling and Refuse updated the City Council on a number of issues that are occurring in the solid waste and recycling field, including the collapse of recycling markets for material collected and processed in the US. With the changes in the recyclables markets forcing all haulers to pay a substantial commodity charge to offload collected recyclable materials, the Council approved an amendment to the contract in December 2018. The contract was amended pursuant to Section 4.6 of the current contract, wherein the event of a substantial market change in any of the Recyclable Material commodity prices allows either party to the contract to request to reopen negotiations for the amount per month charged for Recycling Collection

services. Considering the volatility of the current market, at the May 20, 2019 Workshop, Council discussed and considered extending the contract pursuant to terms of the contract under paragraph 2.1 which allows the City to exercise an option to extend the contract for a period of up to three years. Council consensus was to approve an extension at an upcoming Council meeting. Staff explained with approval of this amendment, the contract term will extend to June 30, 2024. It is the City's intent to provide only one contract extension, thus a Request for Proposals will be prepared during the latter half of 2023. The fees will extend and increase at the same rate as in the current agreement.

George Walter, Walters Recycling & Refuse, thanked the Council for considering this contract extension. He stated his employees worked very hard and he was proud of the service provided to the City of Blaine. He commented on how the recycling markets were changing and discussed the importance of addressing contamination in recycling.

Mayor Ryan thanked Walters for providing a great service to the community.

Councilmember Garvais asked if Walters had considered creating an app for its users to help with schedules and recycling information. Mr. Walter stated he was on social media and noted he was still completing research on new technology for his company.

Moved by Councilmember Hovland, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, that Resolution 19-91, "Extend Contract with Walters Recycling and Refuse, Inc. for Solid Waste and Recycling Processing through June 30, 2024," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-4

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO
ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN
ENGINEERING TESTING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$67,219.00 FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS
TESTING SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
WATER TREATMENT PLANT NO. 4, IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT NO. 19-11**

Attachments: [LOCATION MAP](#)

Public Works Director Haukaas stated the Engineering Department recently requested and received two quotes for construction materials testing services for the construction of Water Treatment Plant No. 4. The results were reviewed with

the Council. Staff has reviewed the proposals and recommends awarding the contract to American Engineering Testing, Inc. City Council is also asked to approve a 10% contingency to bring the total project budget to \$73,940.00. It was noted this contract will be funded through the Water Utility funds.

Councilmember Swanson asked when work would begin on this project. Mr. Haukaas stated this would be weather dependent.

Moved by Councilmember Hovland, seconded by Councilmember Paul, that Motion 19-118, "Authorize the Mayor and City Manager to Enter into a Contract with American Engineering Testing, Inc. in the Amount of \$67,219.00 for Construction Materials Testing Services for the Construction of Water Treatment Plant No. 4," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-5

SALE OF WETLAND CREDITS TO BLAINE ULYSSES, LLC

Attachments: [Agreement Wetland Credits Blaine Ulysses LLC 05.28.19.doc](#)

City Engineer Schluender stated Blaine Ulysses LLC, plans to develop an office facility on their site at 11161 Ulysses Street NE. An area of the site contains designated wetlands that would be impacted by the proposed development. Blaine Ulysses LLC has asked if the Site 7 Wetland Bank would be able to sell and release the wetland credits that are necessary for the proposed project to meet Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD) permit requirements. Blaine Ulysses LLC would like to purchase the necessary 120,000 square feet (2.75 acres) of wetland credit from the City of Blaine (Site 7) Wetland Bank at a value of \$2.50 per square foot. The total cost of the wetland credit purchase is \$300,000 based on 120,000 square feet plus out of pocket withdrawal fees. In addition, they will cover any of the City's out of pocket costs for withdrawing the credits.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, that Resolution 19-92, "Sale of Wetland Credits to Blaine Ulysses, LLC," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-6

SALE OF WETLAND CREDITS TO STATE OF MINNESOTA

Attachments: [State wetland sale JPA](#)

Mr. Schluender stated the Minnesota Department of Transportation is proposing various road projects throughout the metro area. These projects will have wetland impacts that will need to be mitigated requiring the need to purchase credits from a wetland bank. The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources on behalf of the Minnesota Department of Transportation approached the City inquiring about available credits from the City's wetland bank. The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resource is interested in purchasing 10 acres of wetland credits from the city's wetland bank at a price of \$2 per square foot. This would equate to a total purchase price of \$871,200.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Hovland, that Resolution 19-93, "Sale of Wetland Credits to State of Minnesota," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-7

AUTHORIZE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH WSB & ASSOCIATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,405.00 FOR CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS TESTING SERVICES FOR LEVER STREET AREA STREET RECONSTRUCTIONS, IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 18-16

Attachments: [Lever St Area Location Map](#)

Mr. Schluender stated on August 2, 2018 Council initiated four street projects for the 2019 Pavement Management Program and awarded each of the projects to a consultant, with separate contracts for feasibility report and preliminary design, final design, and construction inspection services. WSB & Associates, Inc. was awarded the contracts for the Lever Street Area Street Reconstructions, Improvement Project No. 18-16. The Engineering Department recently requested and received a proposal for construction materials testing services for the Lever Street Area Street Reconstructions from WSB & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$24,405.00. Staff has reviewed this proposal and determined that the fees are justified and reasonable. City Council is also asked to approve a 10% contingency to bring the total project budget to \$26,845.00.

Councilmember Hovland requested further information regarding the trail along Ball Road. Mr. Haukaas explained the shoulder would be made as wide as possible in order to allow for a walking/biking path along Ball Road, given the fact a separate trail would not be possible along the roadway given the high level of wetlands.

Councilmember Garvais questioned when the project would begin. Mr. Schluender

reported work began a week again and was anticipated the project would be completed sometime in August, prior to school starting.

Moved by Councilmember Swanson, seconded by Mayor Ryan, that Motion 19-119, "Authorize Mayor and City Manager to Enter into Contract with WSB & Associates, Inc. in the Amount of \$24,405.00 for Construction Materials Testing Services for Lever Street Area Street Reconstructions," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-8

**APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDER
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR RECONSTRUCTION
OF 1700 FEET OF PHEASANT RIDGE DRIVE AND THE
INTERSECTION WITH LEXINGTON AVENUE,
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 16-14**

Attachments: [Pheasant Ridge Street Location Map](#)

Mr. Schluender stated the Public Hearing for the proposed improvement project was held on May 18, 2017. The proposed improvements will reconstruct 1700 feet of Pheasant Ridge Drive and the intersection with Lexington Avenue. The proposed improvements include concrete curb and gutter replacement, concrete sidewalk replacement, storm sewer structure rehabilitation, asphalt surface replacement, turn lane construction, traffic signal modifications, traffic control signage, striping, and appurtenant construction. The project will also include lane modifications to the westbound private street in The Village. The estimated total cost of the project is \$1,184,250 with \$456,105 proposed to be assessed over a ten-year period. Replacement of existing sanitary sewer castings/rings and gate valve replacement at an estimated cost of \$15,450 is proposed to be paid for by the City Public Utility Fund. The remaining portion of \$712,695 is proposed to be paid from a combination of the City's Municipal State Aid Street Fund, the City's Pavement Management Program Fund, and the existing EDA Tax Increment Fund.

Mayor Ryan requested the monument signs be replaced in conjunction with this project. Mr. Schluender reported the monument signs were part of a separate project and would be updated.

Councilmember Garvais recommended a stronger replacement cycle be created for these monument signs. Economic Development Coordinator Thorvig explained the cost of these signs was quite high and noted replacement would be done over time with two per year being completed.

Councilmember Garvais requested the Council discuss these sign replacements at a

future workshop as he did not want the sign replacements to take eight to ten years.

Moved by Councilmember Hovland, seconded by Councilmember Jeppson, that Resolution 19-94, "Approve Plans and Specifications and Order Advertisement for Bids for Reconstruction of 1700 feet of Pheasant Ridge Drive and the Intersection with Lexington Avenue," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

12.-9

ACCEPT BID FROM DRESEL CONTRACTING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,446,874.10 FOR THE JEFFERSON STREET AREA IMPROVEMENTS, IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 18-17

Attachments: [Jefferson St Location Map](#)

Mr. Schluender stated bids were received for the Jefferson Street Area Improvements, Project No. 18-17. A total of 3 bids were received ranging from \$4,446,874.10 to \$5,964,574.92. The Engineer's estimate for construction and three lowest bidders were reviewed with the Council. Bids have been checked and tabulated, and it has been determined that Dresel Contracting, Inc. of Chisago City, Minnesota is the lowest bidder. The Engineering Department has worked with Dresel Contracting, Inc. on previous contracts. Staff recommends the low bid be accepted and a contract entered into with Dresel Contracting, Inc. City Council is also asked to approve a 10% contingency to bring the total project budget to \$4,891,560.00. The funding source for this project is assessments, Municipal State Aid funds, Public Utility funds and the City Pavement Management Program fund, and there are sufficient funds to cover these costs.

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, that Resolution 19-95, "Accept Bid from Dresel Contracting, Inc. in the Amount of \$4,446,874.10 for the Jefferson Street Area Improvements," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul

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APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR MARY ANN YOUNG CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT -REVISED ITEM

This item was removed from the agenda.

Removed Prior to Meeting

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FIRST READING

ORDINANCE REPEALING ARTICLE IV. - FIRE, GOING OUT OF BUSINESS, OTHER SALES

Ms. Sorensen stated as part of routine Code review, staff is recommending that Council consider repealing the Fire, Going Out of Business, Other Sales code. This ordinance was adopted in 1973 at the suggestion of the chamber of commerce and was based on models from Owatonna and the Village of Tyler; since then the ordinance has been rarely utilized. While Owatonna's ordinance is still in effect their staff was unsure of their council's reason for the ordinance and could not recall ever issuing a permit. A search of other Minnesota cities revealed no similar ordinances with the exception of Duluth, which repealed theirs in 1979. Staff also contacted the MetroNorth Chamber of Commerce to obtain their input and they did not see a need from a business standpoint for this code to remain. While the ordinance did not include language regarding purpose staff believes the reason likely was to help identify actual store product was being closed out and not stolen goods. While the permit requires product inventory lists actually being able to track this inventory is not practical and potential stolen items would be reported just like any other stolen item; a permit would not assist in this case.

Declared by Mayor Ryan that Ordinance No. 19-2430, "Ordinance Repealing Article IV. – Fire, Going Out of Business, Other Sales," be introduced and placed on file for second reading at the July 1, 2019 Council meeting.

SECOND READING

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ADMINISTRATION OF CITY AFFAIRS, SECTION 6.05, PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BLAINE

Attachments: [Purchases and Contract Limits](#)
 [Purchases and Contracts Amount Listing](#)

This item was considered after the Consent Agenda.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Swanson asked if the City Council would be able to review the questions prior to next week's City Manager interviewsuesday. Mr. Huss stated he could have this information sent to the Council prior and referred to the two-day interview schedule provided to the Council.

Direction provided to staff.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councilmember Jeppson, seconded by Councilmember Hovland, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Aye: 7 - Mayor Ryan, Councilmember Swanson, Councilmember Hovland, Councilmember Jeppson, Councilmember Garvais, Councilmember Robertson and Councilmember Paul