

Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, April 04, 2016
Bloomington Civic Plaza
1800 West Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, Minnesota 55431-3027

- 1 **CALL TO ORDER - 7:00 PM** Mayor Winstead called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Present: Councilmembers C. Abrams, J. Baloga, T. Busse, A. Carlson, D. Lowman, and J. Oleson
- 2 **INTRODUCTORY**
- 2.1 **FLAG PRESENTATION** Mayor Winstead led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 2.2 **Public Health Week Proclamation** Mayor Winstead read memo and presented Proclamation to Cindy McKenzie, Chair of Advisory Board of Health, who read the Proclamation.
- 2.3 **National Volunteer Recognition Week Proclamation** Mayor Winstead read the National Volunteer Recognition Week Proclamation.
- Teen volunteers introduced themselves and received the Proclamation.
- 3 **CONSENT BUSINESS**
- 3.1 **Preliminary and Final Plat of MARKETPOINTE THIRD ADDITION** Requested Action: Approval of the preliminary plat and adoption of a resolution granting approval of the final plat of MARKETPOINTE THIRD ADDITION located at 4300 and 4400 West 78th Street is recommended subject to completion of the above conditions, receipt of title, necessary documents and deposits, and review of all documents by the City Attorney.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 6-0-1, with Mayor Winstead abstaining.
- 3.2 **Meeting Minutes City Council - Approval** Requested Action: Approve the March 14, 2016 City Council Study meeting minutes as presented.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 3.3 **Award Contract 2016-203 SRTS Jefferson Area Improvements Project** Requested Action: Staff recommends that the 2016-203 SRTS Jefferson Area Improvements Project be awarded as noted above to Thomas & Sons Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$344,396.40 and approve funding for various contract changes up to a 10% contingency of the original contract amount (\$34,439.64) for a total project construction authorization of \$378,836.04.

Amy Marohn, City of Bloomington Civil Engineer, explained that pedestrian

safety improvements will be made around Jefferson and Olson schools. Old Shakopee Road at Kell Avenue is an uncontrolled crossing currently. Will be putting a pedestrian enhancement with rectangular rapid flashing beacon mounted over the roadway and on the sides of the road to get attention to drivers. Will be making similar improvements at France Avenue and Heritage Hills. A smaller version of that type of crossing will be installed at the Jefferson driveway at Johnson Avenue where kids cross between the parking lots and schools. Mentioned some additional bike racks and a trail at Olson Middle School and new bike racks at Olson Elementary School and at Jefferson High School.

Mayor Winstead mentioned traffic concerns at the entrance to Olson Elementary and Middle School. Encouraged Marohn to put that on the radar for future if it warrants any control.

Marohn responded that funding was recently submitted for this location and was recently notified that it was unsuccessful in this round of solicitation, but will continue to try to secure funding for that.

Oleson asked if funding for one sign at Valley View Middle School has been funded for this year or next. Marohn responded that it was awarded the contract at the last City Council meeting and was lumped in as a pedestrian crossing improvement project and will be constructed this year. It will be pedestrian-activated, rectangular, rapid flashing beacon, mounted over the roadway at Portland Avenue at the entrance to Valley View Middle School.

Motion by Councilmember Lowman.
Seconded by Councilmember Abrams.
Motion carried 7-0.

**3.4 MNDOT and
Bloomington Advance
Construction
Agreement**

Requested Action: Request Approval of Agreement #1002864, Between MNDOT and City of Bloomington for Federal Participation in Advance Construction For S.P. 107-020-065; STP 2716(052), Normandale Blvd. Safety Improvement Project 2016-201.

Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.

3.5 LANDesk Addendum

Requested Action: Council is requested to approve the addendum to the LANDesk Service Desk agreement in the amount of \$5,386.48.

Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.

**3.6 Sealcoat Aggregate -
Approve Contract
Extension**

Requested Action: Approve extension of agreement to furnish and deliver 3500 tons of seal coat aggregate to Dresser Trap Rock for a unit price of \$50.80 per ton for a total amount of \$177,800.00 for 2016 and total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$353,675.00 for 2015 and 2016.

Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.

- 3.7 Freightliner Fire Ladder Truck - Approve Purchase** Requested Action: Approve the purchase of a Freightliner Aerial Ladder Fire Truck from Rosenbauer Minnesota, LLC under HGAC contract #FS12-15 in the amount of \$819,219.00.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 3.8 Bituminous Materials, Oils, and Emulsions- Approve Purchase** Requested Action: Approve the purchase of bituminous materials from Flint Hills Resource, LP under State of Minnesota Contract #28839 for a cost of \$417,403.80.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 3.9 Bituminous Patch Materials- Approve Purchase** Requested Action: Approve the purchase of 3400 tons of bituminous patch material from Commercial Asphalt Co. under State of Minnesota Contract #86541 for a total cost of \$176,630.00.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 3.10 Order 2016-901 Storm Sewer Maintenance Project** Requested Action: Staff recommends that the City Council order the 2016-901 Storm Sewer Maintenance Project.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 3.11 Supporting State Funding for City Streets Adopt Resolution** Requested Action: Approval of resolution supporting State funding for city streets.
- Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.
- 4 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**
- 4.1 Response to Prior Meeting's Public Comments** City Manager Verbrugge mentioned the memo comments from Sally Ness regarding 8201 Park Avenue. The questions that were asked have previously and repeated been asked. Would like to summarize and close the record. Verbrugge will send response to Ms. Ness and will address the question in person so she is able to respond.
- 4.2 Public Comment** Speaker # 1: Steve Thomford - 9230 10th Ave S.
- Spoke regarding the possible implementation of a Sustainability Commission in the City of Bloomington. Mentioned the Task Force and is seeking support in creating the commission. A Sustainability Task Force would provide Council with options, ideas, and concepts. Mentioned the future of demographic changes within the city. This commission will help identify

these trends with livability and sustainability issues. Encouraged City Council to keep the thought open for creating this commission.

Mayor Winstead mentioned the upcoming strategic planning sessions in April. This Sustainability Commission will be on the agenda for that session, and will be working through the details over the next couple months.

5 LICENSING DIVISION: PUBLIC HEARINGS

5.1 New On-Sale Wine License Application – Luna di Luna

Requested Action: Staff recommends approval of the on-sale wine license for Luna di Luna LLC, doing business as, Luna di Luna.

Motion by Councilmember Busse.
Seconded by Councilmember Abrams.
Motion carried 7-0.

6 DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS: PUBLIC HEARINGS

7 TRANSPORTATION & UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS: PUBLIC HEARINGS

7.1 2016-202 Signal Optimization and ITS Adopt Resolution

Requested Action: Staff recommends approving the feasibility report; and adopting a resolution to order 2016-202 Signal Optimization and ITS Project.

City of Bloomington Civil Engineer Amy Marohn showed map of the areas where fiber optic communications is planned to be added to the traffic signal system. This project includes three main elements to improve traffic signal operation efficiency. Update signal and timing in several intersections in the city, install communications of fiber connect between the signals; and Implement coordinated timing plans. Could acquire traffic management software to set up a central system to communicate with traffic signal systems. Have already implemented several in Bloomington. Will have very thorough communication to most of the signal systems.

Abrams said when this is implemented, we may never get the comments of support, but it is a significant quality of life issue that people appreciate.

Lowman asked if there are other areas they are working toward. Marohn showed another map that of Hennepin County corridors that are under consideration or have already been implemented. Hennepin County will have similar software so we will be able to continue to work collaboratively with them in the future.

Mayor Winstead added how much work this really is. To get this balance, it is difficult. It is expensive but there was a federal grant to fund the majority of this project.

Motion by Councilmember Abrams.
Seconded by Councilmember Baloga.
Motion carried 7-0.

8 ORDINANCES: PUBLIC HEARINGS

9 OTHER: PUBLIC HEARINGS

9.1 2016-2020 Capital Investment Plan Approval (CIP)

Requested Action: After the Public Hearing, Adopt the Resolution approving the City's Community Investment Program for the years 2016-2020.

City of Bloomington CFO Lori Economy-Scholler presented the combined 5-year community investment program 2016-2020 via PowerPoint. Explained a summary of the 180-page document. Projects and detailed information on the particular projects. Explained that this is a planning tool with no guarantee that money will be spent on the particular project. Projects over \$100,000 must get Council approval. Summarized some of the major projects for 2016.

Oleson asked if most money for the Old Cedar Avenue Bridge is coming from legislature. Economy-Scholler said the majority of the money is coming from fiscal disparities that occurred in 2013. Funds were collected in 2014, and just over \$10 million is dedicated to that project. Some of 2015 fiscal disparities are dedicated to this project also.

Mayor Winstead clarified that, within our CIP, state and county funded projects are included because they're within the city and impact what happens in the city.

Baloga asked if recent occurrences that aren't in here (example: 86th Street Bridge) are just baked into 2017 for the next revision. Economy-Scholler said it would be the normal operating procedure to include in next year's as projects get identified.

Motion by Councilmember Baloga.
Seconded by Councilmember Busse.
Motion carried 7-0.

10 ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

Mayor Winstead closed the public comment period at 7:36pm.

10.1 City Council Policy & Issue Update

Requested Action: City Manager Verbrugge mentioned the Star Tribune article from Saturday, April 2 relating to forums by realtors on the perception of living in Bloomington. The article was an unfortunately unflattering portrayal of that conversation. We do need to know what perceptions exist in our community. School Board is focused on how they're going to continue to attract next generation of families. City Council has indicated a similar philosophy. Why are they choosing to come to Bloomington and how we can influence that. Realtors are an important sounding board, and it wasn't a surprise to hear what was said in the article.

This information that we learned will help us. There are facts that buyers, sellers, and realtors know and want us to be responsive to. It's a good way to learn what misinformation is out there. How people are coming to the perceptions they have so we can better tailor our marketing and communications to make sure misinformation does not perpetuate and that we're communicating accurate information. The conversation last week was beneficial but it is unfortunate how it was portrayed in the article.

Mayor Winstead said Council can concur with the comments Verbrugge made. People need to know that what was learned are things that City Staff and City Council are aware of. There are a lot of action plans and programs in place to bolster residential and commercial areas going forward. The

article was written and framed like this was new information or that the school board and City Council were oblivious to, when in fact we've had multiple discussions to work and refresh and keep the community strong. Suggested having Communications put out a response letter to that article, or work with the school district.

Busse agreed with Mayor Winstead. It was a combination of perception and reality. It was interesting that the number of supporters that came to Bloomington's defense were encouraging and enlightening. Also, within the comments, there were a number of legitimate issues that could be addressed by City Council and staff. It's worth taking a look at some of them as finding ways to improve.

Carlson recommended having residents look at the HRA page on the City of Bloomington website to see all the programs we offer. The site has been revamped as part of the 2016 budget. Use this as an opportunity to look at what's out there.

Oleson mentioned that the Councilmembers are responsible for understanding how taxpayer money is spent, but also encouraged thinking longer term rather than short-sighted.

Oleson also mentioned a public information release regarding the Bloomington Police Officers receiving crisis response training. All 118 sworn personnel have received the training that deals with de-escalation, diffusing situations without the need for physical force, and recognizing mental illness.

10.2 Support Snow Angel Program Adopt Resolution

Requested Action: The Council is asked to adopt a resolution of support for the Snow Angel Fund.

Motion by Councilmember Baloga
Seconded by Councilmember Abrams.
Motion carried 7-0.

11 ADJOURN

Mayor Winstead adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm.

Denise Dargan
Council Secretary