

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
JULY 20, 2020

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Windschitl at 7 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Present: Councilmembers Hatfield, Hubbard, Huang, Grau, and Mayor Windschitl.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Kevin Ringwald, Community Development Director; Liz Hanson, City Planner; Luke Melchert, City Attorney; Nate Kabat, Assistant Administrator; and Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator.

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Grau to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. Visitor Presentation

5.A. Chicken Keeping in Chaska Proposal

Kristen Bartley presented a proposition to modify the Chaska ordinance to include backyard chicken keeping within Chaska.

Mayor Windschitl thanked Ms. Bartley and noted that the Council discussed this topic at the work session prior to the City Council meeting. He stated that the Council will wait to hear next steps in the process from Staff.

6. Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Hatfield to approve the minutes of the July 6, 2020 City Council meeting. Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hubbard to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through B:

- A. Adopt Resolution 2020-56, Resolution Relating to Supporting an Amendment to the United States Constitution
Motion to approve resolution 2020-56 relating to supporting an amendment to the United States Constitution.
- B. Adopt Resolution 2020-58, Supporting the 2021 County Assessment Agreement
Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-58 supporting the 2021 County Assessment

Agreement and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk/Administrator to sign the 2021 Assessment Agreement with Carver County.
Motion carried.

8. Action Items

8.A. Adopt Resolution 2020-57 and Ordinance 977, Approving the Final Plat and Rezoning for Del Webb at Chaska (Pinnacle)/Pulte Homes/PC #2020- 12

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council.

City Planner Hanson presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if a private citizen is refurbishing Hammer's Saloon.

City Planner Hanson stated that it is, and details are still being worked out on that.

Mayor Windschitl asked if the structure was going to be moved and who the ultimate owner will be.

City Planner Hanson explained the structure will not be moved and the owner will be Kierstin Case.

Mayor Windschitl inquired what will happen to the structure if something falls through.

City Planner Hanson stated it will be demolished and used for open land. She then continued her presentation of the item.

Per request of Mayor Windschitl, City Planner Hanson spoke specifically regarding the proposed grand entrance signs for the development.

Councilmember Grau inquired if the name will be Del Webb at Chaska or something else.

City Planner Hanson stated that from her understanding it is Del Webb at Chaska.

Chad Onsgard from Pulte Homes stated they are working on a marketing name right now for the development.

Councilmember Grau asked what factors are considered when they typically determine a name.

Chad Onsgard provided further detail into that process.

Councilmember Hubbard looked for more detail on monument size for the drive off of Liberty Heights Drive.

City Planner Hanson stated it will be scaled down to 2/3 the size of the main entrance.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if they are leaving land for those monuments.

City Planner Hanson stated they will be on their own outlots and continued with the presentation of the item.

Mayor Windschitl asked if anyone was attending the meeting via Zoom that would like to speak on the subject before council proceeded with a motion.

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Huang to adopt Resolution No. 2020-57 approving the Del Webb at Chaska Final Plat for a 92-lot subdivision on 34 acres of land.

The Council shared their thoughts on the item and noted that this project has been discussed at many different meetings and concerns from both sides have been heard.

Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Hubbard to adopt Ordinance No. 977 approving the rezoning of approximately 86 acres of the Hammers property for Del Webb at Chaska from Open (O) to Planned Residential Development District No. 75 (PRD-75). Motion carried.

8.B. Adopt Resolution 2020-59, Approving the Concept Plan for Harvest West North/Tradition Development/PC #2020-14

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council.

City Planner Hanson presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if the figure shows an existing entrance or if it is auxiliary.

City Planner Hanson stated it is existing entrance into the Harvest West area and stated the new area will be an extension off the area currently being worked upon.

Mayor Windschitl looked to clarify there will be an additional entrance onto Savanna Way.

City Planner Hanson stated that is correct and that these will be the only two entrances into Harvest West North. She then continued her presentation of the item.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if the conservation corridor will be owned by the City.

City Planner Hanson stated that it likely would.

Mayor Windschitl asked if a maintenance plan for this exists.

City Planner Hanson explained maintenance has not been planned out quite yet, but the area will have a more natural look and maintenance to it.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if they plan to put playground equipment in the proposed park.

City Planner Hanson stated the applicant is still detailing the proposed park area and then continued with the presentation of the item.

Mayor Windschitl asked if there will be sidewalks to the park area.

City Planner Hanson stated there will be sidewalks in the neighborhood areas and provided further detail regarding trail opportunities.

Councilmember Grau asked if this is the last development for this Harvest space.

City Planner Hanson stated that is the last of the residential holdings.

Councilmember Grau inquired what the widths of the lots are.

City Planner Hanson stated the villa lots range around 53-foot wide, the legacy lots range around 55-foot, and the heritage range around 65-foot wide.

The Council shared their thoughts on the concept plan.

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt Resolution No. 2020-59 approving The Harvest West North Concept Plan for a 119-lot subdivision on 48 acres of land in the SW Chaska Growth Area (PC #2020-14). Motion carried.

8.C. CLOSED SESSION - Attorney/Client Review of the Dennis C Lackey v City of Chaska Case

Mayor Windschitl read an announcement detailing the closed session per State Statute 13D-05 sub 3b.

Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Grau to enter into closed session. Motion carried.

8.D. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Council returned to open session at 9:55pm.

9. Bills

9.A. Accounts Payable Council Roster 7-20-2020

The Council requested further information about bills on pages 2, 4, 8, 11, 13, 14, 23, 26, 28.

City Administrator Podhradsky provided further information regarding those bills.

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hubbard to approve the bills as presented. Roll call was taken. Voting aye: Councilmembers Hatfield, Hubbard, Huang, Grau and Mayor Windschitl. Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

10. Other Business

10.A. City Administrator's Report

10.A.i. Bi-Weekly Report 7-20-2020

10.B. Other Meeting Minutes

10.B.i. Receive the draft minutes of the July 8, 2020 Planning Commission Meeting.

Councilmember Grau:

- Inquired if the mailers regarding the feedback of police have gone out. Kevin Wright stated the letter was just finalized and will go out by the end of the week or early next week.
- Encouraged residents to stay safe in the pandemic and wear their masks. He also noted that parents' reactions to school requirements will be seen by their children, so to keep that in mind when the word comes out about what schools will do this fall.

Councilmember Huang:

- Inquired if Taste of Chaska is canceled. City Administrator Podhradsky stated that it is canceled.
- Noted Night to Unite is still on, tentatively, for October 6.
- Commented he heard the fireworks were wonderful.
- Commented the opening of the community center sounds like it has been positively received.
- Noted he is participating in the Metro Cities Policy Committee Workshop for Transportation and General Government and asked if any other councilmember is participating in a Metro Cities Policy Workshop. Councilmember Hubbard stated she is for affordable housing. He explained he is pushing for support for SouthWest Transit remaining autonomous.

Councilmember Hubbard:

- Noted she listened to the affordable housing meeting with the Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative and summarized those discussions.
- Reported a constituent contacted her about speeding on Bavaria.

Councilmember Hatfield:

- Inquired if there has been any feedback on the farmer's market. Assistant Administrator Kabat stated he has not heard any feedback. City Administrator Podhradsky stated people are still attending.
- Noted the primary is on August 11 and early voting has already started. City Administrator Podhradsky stated they are still in need of 9 half-day people. Assistant Administrator Kabat stated there is enough to staff but the numbers are thinner than they need, and the issue is party balance.
- Noted filing for City Council positions opens July 28, 2020.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Noted the Curling Center opens July 27, 2020.

- Reiterated the primary election is on August 11, 2020 and encouraged residents to get out and vote. Councilmember Huang inquired if declaring a party will be required for the primary. Assistant Administrator Kabat stated that is in reference to the presidential preference that occurred earlier this year.
- Noted the mayor position, Ward 2, and Ward 4 open up for filing July 28, 2020.
- Noted there are three council meetings next month, with the third perhaps being a work session.
- Offered condolences to the Schuler family for their loss of Tony.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Huang to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 pm.

Motion carried.