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CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
December 7, 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, Grau, and Mayor Windschitl. Absent: Councilmember Huang.

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

4. Adopt the Agenda
Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. Visitor Presentation
5.A. Beyond New Beginnings Update

Russell St. John and Jill Engeswick with Beyond New Beginnings provided a business and program update to the Council.

Councilmember Hubbard inquired if the furniture provided by Beyond New Beginnings stays with the apartment or goes with the mother.

Ms. Engeswick replied that the furniture stays with the apartment.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if the goal is for the mothers to move out after two years.

Ms. Engeswick provided further detail regarding this and how the goals for each family may play into this.

Mayor Windschitl referred to the donates received from other states and inquired if this program is that unique and not being done anywhere else.

Mr. St. John stated there are some inner-city models but nothing else like this that he is aware of and detailed some requests they have received.

The Council expressed their excitement and support for this program.

6. Consent Agenda

Mayor Windschitl requested further detail regarding item 6.C.

City Administrator Podhradsky provided clarification of the item content.

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Hubbard to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through C:

A. Adopt Resolution 2020-93, Designate Polling Locations
   Motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-93 Designating Polling Place Locations for 2021 Elections.
B. 2021 Business License Renewals
   Motion to approve the 2021 Business Licenses to include games of skill, refuse haulers, massage therapists, and tobacco sales along with our other permits for solicitors/peddlers/transients and golf carts effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.
C. Approve Second Amendment to Site Agreement with T-Mobile at 123 Jonathan Blvd
   Motion to approve second amendment to site agreement with T-Mobile at 123 Jonathan Boulevard.

Motion carried.

7. Action Items

7.A. Truth in Taxation Public Hearing

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl opened the public hearing at 7:36 pm.

City Administrator Podhradsky presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if there is a projection for how many homes were built in 2020.

City Administrator Podhradsky explained it will be close to 100 and continued his presentation of the item.

Councilmember Hubbard asked for further information regarding LGA.

City Administrator Podhradsky clarified the graph layout for LGA.

The Council noted that they have been looking at this information for some time.

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Hubbard to close the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing, and to establish December 21, 2020 as the date to consider the adoption of the 2021 budget and final tax levy. Motion carried.

7.B. Adopt Resolutions 2020-94 and 2020-95 Issuance and Sale of Bonds: Series 2020F and Series 2021A

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council.

Administrative Services Director Graczyk presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl requested more information about the parameters for the bonds.

Administrative Services Director Graczyk provided further detail regarding how the parameters work in respect to issuance.

Mayor Windschitl asked if there is a chance there will be a better market in February 2021.

Administrative Services Director Graczyk stated the interest rates are great right now, and there is a likelihood of increased competition at the start of the year and thus higher rates.

Per request of Councilmember Hubbard, Administrative Services Director Graczyk gave further explanation regarding the rating of the electrical utility.

Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt Resolution No. 2020-94 authorizing issuance and establishing pricing committee to award sale for Electric Utility Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020F. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt Resolution No. 2020-95 authorizing issuance and establishing pricing committee to award sale for General Obligation Sate Aid Street Bonds, Series 2021A. Motion carried.

7.C. Adopt Resolution 2020-96 Approving Professional Engineering Services Agreement for the TH 41/CSAH 44 Improvements

City Administrator Podhradsky presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl inquired if there were other bids.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated there were not.

Councilmember Grau looked to confirm that despite no other bids, Staff are confident this is a fair bid from Bolton & Menk.

City Administrator Podhradsky and City Engineer Clark stated it is consistent with what they would expect.

Mayor Windschitl asked for clarification on the preliminary layout for the interior alleyway alongside Chasers and the bank.

City Engineer Clark spoke further regarding that plan.

Councilmember Hubbard asked what the timeline is for the project.

City Administrator Podhradsky clarified that timeline.

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Grau to adopt Resolution No. 2020-96, approving the professional engineering services agreement for the TH 41/CSAH 61 Improvements in Historic Downtown Chaska. Motion carried.

8. Bills
8.A. Accounts Payable Council Roster 12-7-2020

The Council requested further information about bills on pages 6, 15, and 17.

City Administrator Podhradsky provided further information regarding those bills.

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

9. Other Business
9.A. City Administrator's Report
9.B. Biweekly 12-7-2020

Councilmember Grau:
- Thanked the City for the Truth in Taxation meetings.

Councilmember Hubbard:
- Noted there is some great programming through the Parks Department and Community Center including the Trim the Tree and Stroll Around the Park events.
- Noted the Hero and Helpers event is coming up this weekend.

Councilmember Hatfield:
- Noted there is a food shelf donation in relation to the Tree Stroll event.
- Noted the Governor released new CDC recommendations for quarantine protocol.
- Encouraged residents to check out her public Facebook page where she recaps City Council Meetings.
- Asked where things are with Commission applications. Assistant Administrator Kabat provided an update regarding that timeline. Councilmember Grau encouraged Staff to ensure no technical barriers prevent residents from applying. Mayor Windschitl inquired if it is known how many people are leaving the commissions due to timing out. Assistant Administrator Kabat noted he would get this information to the Council.
- Noted the Human Rights Award nominations are due December 11, 2020.
- Asked if there is any feedback regarding the chickens. City Administrator Podhradsky state that there is a lot of feedback and a work session will follow.

City Administrator Podhradsky:

- Noted the Santa Clause parade will be held December 23, 2020 at 4:30-7pm and that a map of the parade will be posted.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Inquired how remodel projects were coming. Assistant Administrator Kabat gave a brief update on where things are with those. Councilmember Hubbard asked where the automatic doors are located at the Community Center. Assistant Administrator Kabat stated they are at the main entrance and ice rink and getting finished up.
- Noted the Tree Stroll is December 1st through 31st and gave further details regarding other events occurring.
- Noted that Chaska Santa is collecting for Toys for Tots and looking for volunteers.
- Noted there has been a good feedback regarding the Blue Ribbon Commission's report.
- Stated he is excited to see signs for future road expansion on the dead-end cul-de-sacs.

10. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Hubbard to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 pm. Motion carried.