

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
June 7, 2021

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Windschitl at 7:05 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: Luke Melchert, City Attorney; Kevin Wright, Communication Director; Nate Kabat, Assistant 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. Certificate of Appreciation for Mike Tudor – Cable Communications Coordinator

Communications Director, Kevin Wright, recognized Mike Tudor for his many years of service to the City of Chaska and presented him with a certificate.

The Council thanked Mike for his hard work and dedication during his years working with the City.

5.B. Downtown Special Service District/Strategic Plan 2021-26 – Downtown Business Alliance/Dan Keyport & Steve Ritz

Dan Keyport and Steve Ritz presented the Downtown Special Service Strategic Plan 2021-26 to the Council.

6. Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Hubbard to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2021 City Council meeting. Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Grau to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through H:

A. Temporary Liquor Licenses for Southwest Metro Chamber of Commerce

Motion to approve Temporary On-Sale Intoxicating License TW.21-02 and Temporary On-Sale 3.2% Malt Liquor License T32.21-01 for the SW Metro Chamber of Commerce at Taste of Chaska.

- B. School District 112 Contract for CPD School Resource Officers
Motion to authorize the City Administrator to sign the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Chaska and Eastern Carver County Schools, effectively authorizing the Chaska Police Department to continue staffing 2 full-time SROs at schools located within the city limits of Chaska.
- C. Adopt Resolution 2021-32, Ending a Local Emergency Declaration
Motion to approve Resolution 2021-32 ending a local emergency declaration.
Councilmember Grau mentioned that this is a small victory and to continue to be mindful and maintain some social distancing.
- D. Approval of 2020 Interfund Transfers
Motion to approve 2020 interfund transfers to be reported as Other Financing Sources and Uses in the 2020 Annual Financial Report.
- E. Adopt Resolution 2021-35, Approve Construction Plans for Clover Ridge Drive/Chaska Creek Boulevard Phase II
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2021-35, approving the construction documents for the Clover Ridge Drive/Chaska Creek Boulevard Improvements Phase II, and authorizing the solicitation of public bids.
- F. Consideration of Purchase Agreement for 401 Pine Street North - Library Project
Motion to approve the purchase agreement for the purchase of 401 North Walnut Street at the price of \$435,000, and to authorize the Mayor and the City Administrator to execute the purchase agreement on behalf of the City.
- G. Adopt Resolution 2021-33, Bond Sale Reimbursement for 401 Pine Street North
Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-33 relating to financing certain proposed projects and establishing compliance with reimbursement bond regulations under the Internal Revenue Code.
- H. Adopt Resolution 2021-34, Interfund Tax-Increment Project Financing for 401 Pine Street North
Motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-34 providing for the interfund loan for tax-increment project financing.

Motion carried.

8. Action Items

8.A. Public Hearing: Adopt Resolution 2021-36, 2021 Downtown Reconstruction Assessment Hearing

Assistant Administrator Kabat introduced and presented the item to the Council.

Mayor Windschitl opened the public hearing at 7:43 pm.

Craig Warner, 416 Chestnut, addressed the Council and stated he is being assessed \$18,000 for the Fifth Street project. He stated his building does not touch the street and he feels it is a lot of money. He noted Wells Fargo uses the street regularly and does not appear to have been assessed.

Assistant Administrator Kabat stated if a property has access to the street, then it was evaluated and assessed. He noted that Wells Fargo will be assessed when they start the Fourth Street project. He informed Mr. Warner that he is welcome to file an appeal regarding the assessment.

Mayor Windschitl informed Mr. Warner that he will need to go on record and state his intention to file an appeal to start the process. Assistant Administrator Kabat took Mr. Warner's contact information to help him further with the appeal process.

No one else wished to address the Council.

Mayor Windschitl closed the public hearing at 7:53 pm.

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hubbard to adopt Resolution No. 2021-36, 2021 Downtown Reconstruction Assessment Hearing.

9. Bills

9.A. Accounts Payable Council Roster 6-7-2021

The Council requested further information about bills on pages 16 and 18.

Assistant Administrator Kabat provided further information regarding those bills.

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hatfield 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 6-7-2021

Councilmember Grau:

- Wished the entire community and LGBTQIA Members a happy Pride Month.
- Noted the Pride Picnic is on June 27th from 4:00 – 6:00pm at City Square Park.
- Recognized June 19th as a celebration of the end of slavery in the U.S.

Councilmember Huang:

- Recognized the passing of Golf Architect, Arthur Hills at the age of 91 on May 18th.
- Noted the Memorial Day Service at Veterans Park was excellent.
- Noted the Chaska High School Theater wrapped up their Spring Musical Production of Beauty and the Beast and stated it was an excellent show.
- Congratulated Chaska High School boys and girls golf teams on their championship.
- Recognized and congratulated the Chaska High School graduates and other students for finishing a difficult school year.
- Noted congratulations are due to Chief Seibert for the \$187,000 radio grant.
- Stated he is excited about Metronet Fiber Services working with the City.

- Reported that Southwest Transit restarted prime service on June 5th; available Saturdays from 6:30am – 5:30pm, Monday through Friday offering 494 Corridor Services, and Monday through Friday from 9:00am – 12:00pm offering Grocery Services.
- Reported that starting on June 8th from the Eden Prairie Station, Southwest Transit is offering transportation to twins games, using the Southwest mobile app to reserve a seat.

Councilmember Hubbard:

- Stated she is looking forward to the pride events.
- Noted on June 17th there is a food distribution drive through at the old Gedney Factory site.
- Noted Cones with a Cop is on June 16th at 3:00pm at Culvers.
- Stated the Purple Rain exhibit is on June 17th at 6:30pm – 8:30pm at the Community Center.
- Reported the Chaska bear has moved on from the community and reminded everyone to take down bird feeders and keep a watchful eye on your pets and children.
- Reported on June 6th her son and her attended the Chaska Family Fishing Clinic and noted it was a wonderful event with helpful knowledgeable volunteers.
- Wished everyone a healthy and safe summer and encouraged people to check out the great summer events and series starting soon.

Councilmember Hatfield:

- Thanked everyone for the great Memorial Day event.
- Reported the Chaska High School Band did a phenomenal job at the Memorial Day event.
- Noted the Farmers Market starts on June 16th at 3:00pm at City Square Park and encouraged people to attend.

Assistant Administrator Kabat:

- Reminded the Council of the upcoming Work Session on June 21st at 5:45pm and reported there will be no meetings on July 5th due to observation of the 4th of July holiday.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Noted the Summer concert series is starting soon and will be on Tuesdays and Fridays and encouraged people to check those out.
- Reported that the Emergency Operations Center closed their doors a few weeks ago and on June 16th will hold their final gathering. He stated he is so proud to be associated with that group and recognized what they achieved and thanked them for their hard work.
- Noted the bridge will be up in a few weeks probably, stated it will be exciting to have that done.
- Reported that there will be fireworks on the 4th of July.
- Recognized and congratulated the Chaska High School Class of 2021.
- Wished all dads a Happy Father's Day.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Huang to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 pm.
Motion carried.