

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 7, 2022

1. Call to Order

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

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

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

Absent: Councilmember Grau

Also Present: Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator; Noel Graczyk, Administrative Services Director; Kevin Wright, Communication Director; Elise Durbin, Assistant Administrator; Marshall Grange, Parks and Recreation Director; Nate Kabat, Community Development Director; Liz Hanson, City Planner; Jake Sauflley, City Attorney; Matt Haefner, Water and Sewer Director; and Matt Clark, City Engineer.

4. Adopt the Agenda

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

5. Visitor Presentation

A student from Eden Prairie High School explained he and other students were present as an assignment for their AP Government class.

6. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

6.A. Approve the October 3, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

6.B. Approve the October 17, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Windschitl noted there was an error in the name of the car dealership that could easily be changed.

Motion by Councilmember Hubbard, second by Councilmember Huang to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2022 and October 17, 2022 City Council meetings.

Motion carried.

7. Consent Agenda

Councilmember Hubbard noted a new swimming center was a sponsor of an event at the Community Center, which also offers swimming lessons. She asked how that worked since they would be a competitor.

City Administrator Matt Podhradsky stated the new center is a competitor in one sense, but they cannot compete with the prices offered by the Community Center.

Mayor Windschitl asked if Staff was expecting the donation from Consent Agenda Item G. Resolution 2022-133 to Accept the Donation of Real Property.

City Administrator Podhradsky stated the previous owner determined it was beyond their capability to deal with because of the poor soil condition. There is potential for the City to use it for development, parks, or a City building.

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

A. 2023 Prosecution Contract

Motion to authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to execute the 2023 County Prosecution Contract.

B. Resolution 2022-130 Approving an Agreement With Carver County for 2023 Assessment Services

Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-130, approving an agreement with Carver County for 2023 assessment services.

C. Adopt Resolution 2022-131 - Accepting Gifts and Donations received during the period July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-131 acknowledging and accepting gifts to the City of Chaska

D. Establish a Public Hearing to Consider Temporary Transfer Authority

Motion to set a public hearing for December 5, 2022 to review a spending plan associated with the Temporary Transfer Authority.

E. Accept the findings of the Body-Worn-Audit Report

Motion to accept the findings of the Body-Worn-Camera Audit Report.

F. Tobacco License Application for New Business Anna Tobacco

Motion to approve license to sell tobacco-related products for Anna Tobacco, located at 1008 Gateway Dr, Chaska.

G. Resolution 2022-133 to Accept the Donation of Real Property

Motion to adopt Resolution 2022-133 to accept the donation of real property for properties PID 30.0040800 and PID 30.0040820.

H. Approve the Renewal of the Breakaway Academy Lease

Approve the renewal of the Breakaway Academy Inc. lease for a term of one-year, with a 12% inflator.

Motion carried.

8. Action Items

8.A. Public Hearing and Resolution 2022-132 Regarding a Tax Abatement Project

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council and Assistant City Administrator Elise Durbin provided a presentation on it.

Mayor Windschitl asked for the approximate timeline on the project. Assistant City Administrator Durbin stated there are tentative plans to begin in the Spring.

Mayor Windschitl asked if there has been communication with the neighboring industrial sites. Assistant City Administrator Durbin stated there are plans for the developer to contact the industrial sites. Staff has requested details about what information would be provided and to whom. There is also an open house planned by Minnesota Department of Transportation regarding this project along with other projects planned for the new year.

Mayor Windschitl opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

No one wished to address the Council.

Mayor Windschitl closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

Motion by Councilmember Huang, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt Resolution 2022-132 granting the Tax Abatement
Motion carried.

9. Bills

9.A. Accounts Payable Claims Roster 11-7-2022

The Council requested further information about bills on pages 4, 12, and 36.

City Administrator Podhradsky provided further information regarding those bills.

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

10. Other Business

10.A. City Administrator's Report

10.A.i. Bi-Weekly Report 11-7-2022

Councilmember Huang:

- Reminded community members elections are the following day on November 8, 2022. He encouraged folks to vote.
- Noted Hometown Holidays will be celebrated December 3, 2022 with a tree lighting.
- Pointed out another tree lighting is December 4, 2022 at 4:00 PM.
- Added the water tower is finally finished and looks fantastic.

Councilmember Hatfield:

- Thanked community members and businesses for participating in the trick-or-treating downtown.
- Noted there was a good turnout for shopping and eating at the restaurants.
- Shared Coffee with a Cop is November 17, 2022 and a food distribution at noon.
- Pointed out some of the polling places have changed and there is some road construction to consider.

Councilmember Hubbard:

- Encouraged residents to vote and double check their polling locations.
- Stated the downtown business trick-or-treating event was very successful.
- Noted she went to the Community Center for the Halloween Jamboree, and it was well-attended.
- Added she went to an event hosted by Latino Voices and the Human Rights Commission and learned about some elements of Dia De Los Muertos.
- Stated Heroes and Helpers is coming up. It is an event hosted by the Fire Department and Target is an opportunity for firefighters shop for gifts and then wrap them to present to families. They are looking for support through donations.
- Congratulated the Chaska Library Director Jodi Edstrom for becoming the Interim Director for Carver County Libraries.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Noted November 11, 2022 is Veteran's Day, and the Middle School does a program for the holiday.
- Commented the next City Council meeting is November 21, 2022. There is a special meeting on November 17, 2022 for Canvassing. On December 5, 2022, there is a Truth in Taxation meeting, and December 19, 2022 is the final meeting of the year when the final budget is set.
- Added a family business owner Bob Ohnsorg from Ohnsorg Truck Bodies, Inc. and Chaska firefighter has passed away and offered condolences to the family.
- Stated the Golf Course has closed for the season, and it had a decent year despite the rough Spring weather.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Hubbard to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Motion carried.