

SPECIAL MEDINA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 17, 2017

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on October 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers. Mayor Mitchell presided.

I. ROLL CALL

Members present: Anderson, Pederson, Martin, Cousineau, and Mitchell.

Members absent:

Also present: Assistant City Administrator Jodi Gallup, City Planner Dusty Finke, Public Works Director Steve Scherer, Police Chief Ed Belland, City Engineer Jim Stremel and City Administrator Scott Johnson.

II. Solid Waste Management Ordinance Discussion

Gallup provided the City Council with background information on the ordinance, walked through the policy questions for discussion and provided two language options for discussion. Belland also discussed enforcement challenges with the large variety of neighborhoods and budget implications for enforcement of the current ordinance. Staff was directed by the City Council to consider different options for language and to bring the item back to a future meeting for further discussion.

III. IT Discussion with Council (Mike Brocco)

Gallup provided the City Council with information regarding providing the City Council packets electronically, requested feedback on providing tablets for Council Members, and requested discussion on what items could be provided electronically only. The City Council directed staff to not provide tablets to Council Members unless requested because Council Members prefer to use their own electronic devices. Also, Council requested paper copies of the agenda, city administrator report, new business, and old business be provided. The rest of the packet could be provided electronically.

IV. Chippewa Road Street and Watermain Extension

Stremel provided the City Council with preliminary project costs, maps and other information on a street and watermain loop project to connect Chippewa Road between Arrowhead Drive and Mohawk Drive. Stremel informed the City Council that there could be a cost savings with building the watermain and road at the same time because the watermain would not need to be as deep. Mark of Excellence Homes informed staff prior to the meeting that they would build the street and watermain connections if their two concept plans (located north and south of the future Chippewa Road extension) are ultimately approved. Medina would need to pay for any wetland mitigation costs with the road connection. Both concepts will be reviewed at the October 17th City Council Meeting.

Council discussed wetland impacts, using existing right of way for a watermain only project, if the road connection was necessary, if alternatives were available (Hamel Road to Pioneer Trail) for a road rerouting connection, and concerns with seasonal weight limits on Hamel Road and Pioneer Trail. Staff spoke in favor of the extension to loop the watermain and extend the road to allow for rerouting of traffic during accidents,

responding to future senior housing projects, and providing a direct link for residents with a frontage road connection off Highway 55.

IV. ADJOURN

Mayor Mitchell adjourned the Work Session at 6:57 p.m.

Bob Mitchell, Mayor

Attest:

Jodi M. Gallup, City Clerk