

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MOUNDS VIEW CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF MOUNDS VIEW
RAMSEY COUNTY, MINNESOTA

APPROVED

Regular Meeting

June 12, 2017

Mounds View City Hall

2401 Mounds View Blvd, Mounds View, MN 55112

6:00 P.M.

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1. **MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER**
 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
 3. **ROLL CALL:** Bergeron, Gunn, Hull, Meehlhause, Mueller

NOT PRESENT: None.
 4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - A. **Monday, June 12, 2017, City Council Agenda.**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Monday, June 12, 2017, agenda as presented.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. **May 22, 2017, City Council Meeting Minutes.**

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 3, Line 17, stating the line should read: "...engineering for this project."

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 4, Line 33, indicating the statement should read: "Mayor Mueller questioned when the position would be posted."

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 6, Line 4, noting the sentence should end with, "...in time to meet the deadlines."

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 3, Line 4, asking his statement to read: "...asked if the well house and water treatment plant proposed bonds..."

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 4, Line 1, stating his questions should be rephrased to ask what would happen and would the County be sticking hard to the six-month timeline.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 8, Line 17, removing the period after NSCC.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 8, Line 25, indicating it should read, "...volunteers were also needed for the 60th anniversary celebration being planned."

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 8, Line 32, noting that the statement should read: "...from the City to the LMC Conference."

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 9, Line 22, removing the word "and".

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Bergeron. To Approve the May 22, 2017, City Council meeting minutes as corrected.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Meehlhause asked to remove Item 6F for discussion.

- A. Just and Correct Claims.**
- B. Set a Public Hearing for Monday, June 26, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. to Consider Resolution 8766, Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for the Storage of Flammable Liquids Over 800 Gallons Above Ground for Property located at 4821 Mustang Circle.**
- C. Set a Public Hearing for Monday, June 26, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. to Consider Resolution 8768, Approval of Automobile Assembly and/or Major Repair for Property located at 4821 Mustang Circle.**
- D. Set a Public Hearing for Monday, July 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to Consider a Therapeutic Massage License for Eric Rautio, located at 8373 Groveland Court.**
- E. Resolution 8769, Approving Mounds View Business Licenses.**
- ~~F. Resolution 8770, Accepting the Twin Cities Gateway Grant.~~**

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Approve the Consent Agenda items 6A through 6E.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

F. Resolution 8770, Accepting the Twin Cities Gateway Grant.

Council Member Meehlhause discussed the grant the City received from Twin Cities Gateway and described how the funds could be used in Mounds View. He reported the City received

\$7,964 from Twin Cities Gateway and explained the funds would be disbursed to the Community Center (\$1,000) and to Festival in the Park (\$6,964).

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Bergeron. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8770, Accepting the Twin Cities Gateway Grant.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC INPUT

None.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. End of Session Legislative Update from Representative Randy Jessup.

Representative Randy Jessup provided the Council with an “end of session” Legislative update. He stated he was pleased by the amount of bonding and budget work that was completed. He described the changes coming to the affordable health care act and proposed tax relief for social security benefits. He explained that the State was working to relieve student debt for college graduates. He commented on the transportation projects that would be funded in the coming years. He provided an update on the small cell tower initiative with the Council. He reviewed the licensure changes that were being proposed for Minnesota educators. He was pleased to report that the “per pupil” funding would be increased in 2018 and 2019. Lastly, he reported the State passed a Real ID bill and Sunday liquor sales.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if the Rice Street Bridge project was fully funded. Representative Jessup explained this project was fully funded between Ramsey County and MnDOT.

Council Member Meehlhause questioned why the tobacco tax was being reduced. Representative Jessup stated he would have to investigate this further, but it was his understanding there was a premium tax on cigars and this was the tax being decreased.

Council Member Meehlhause inquired why there was such a divide regarding rapid transit. Representative Jessup explained he supported the blue and green line, but did not support the southwest line. He commented on the correlation between the concentration of people and the need for transit. He discussed the large investment that would be needed for the southwest light rail and believed these funds could be better used by increasing the number of rapid bus routes.

Council Member Gunn asked if the State had discussed funding the shovel-ready I-35W MnPASS lane project. Representative Jessup understood this project was a priority and stated this would be a topic of discussion in the next legislative session. He explained he would continue to push for this project and the sound wall.

Mayor Mueller discussed the City's water treatment plant and SCADA software. She commented on the importance of clean water for Mounds View residents and encouraged the State to consider providing funds to cities to assist with providing clean water.

Mayor Mueller expressed concern with the stress the Super Bowl would put on public safety for outer ring suburbs. She questioned how these expenses would be covered. Representative Jessup stated this has not been addressed by the legislators. He reported a Minneapolis group was putting on the Super Bowl and stated he could raise this concern.

Mayor Mueller thanked Representative Jessup for his thorough report and for taking questions from the City Council.

Representative Jessup explained he would be doing a question and answer event at the Ramsey County Library in Shoreview on Thursday, June 15th at 7:00 p.m. He stated there would be free ice cream at the event.

B. Annual Stormwater Public Information Meeting.

Public Works Director Erickson reviewed the City's stormwater pollution prevention program plan in detail with the Council. He explained the City was required to hold a public informational meeting on a yearly basis. The public education and outreach completed in 2016 was discussed. He commented on the precipitation the Twin Cities received last year and noted 2016 was the wettest year on record. He stated the water table has come up and has remained high. He reported on the rain the City received in April and May of this year. He explained the water level in the City's ponds and wetlands was higher and sump pumps are running more frequently. Staff reviewed the BMP projects that were completed in 2016 and noted the streets were swept three times each year. He reported staff would have to consider the expense for the long-term maintenance of the City's infiltration basins.

Mayor Mueller thanked staff for the thorough report.

9. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Continued Public Hearing: Resolution 8771, Approving an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for AB Liquor, LLC (doing business as ABC Liquor), located at 2840 Mounds View Boulevard.

Assistant City Administrator Crane stated this item was continued from May 22nd. Since that meeting, staff has received all the necessary application materials for ABC Liquor's off-sale liquor license. Staff recommended the Council close the Public Hearing and approve the liquor license contingent upon a satisfactory criminal background check.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:22 p.m.

Mayor Mueller asked how long it would take the City to receive information on the background check. Assistant City Administrator Crane stated this can take anywhere from five to ten days.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Gunn. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8771, Approving an Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for AB Liquor, LLC (doing business as ABC Liquor), located at 2840 Mounds View Boulevard, contingent upon a satisfactory criminal background check.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

B. Continued Public Hearing: Resolution 8772, Approving an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Moe's located at 2400 Mounds View Boulevard.

Assistant City Administrator Crane stated this item was continued from May 22nd. She reported on Friday it came to Staff's attention that Moe's has outstanding liquor taxes in excess of \$40,000 with the State of Minnesota. She explained the manager of Moe's visited City hall today and provided staff with a wire transfer proving the payment for the outstanding sales tax. While the Moe's manager was at City Hall, he paid the outstanding utility bill via check. Staff recommended the liquor license be approved contingent upon the City receiving proof of record that the check has cleared for the utility bill and that the wire transfer was completed to the Department of Revenue.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8772, Approving an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Moe's located at 2400 Mounds View Boulevard, contingent upon the City receiving proof of record for the outstanding utility bill, the wire transfer with the Department of Revenue and a satisfactory criminal background check.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

C. Resolution 8765, Approval of a Development Review for Property located at 4821 Mustang Circle.

Planner Sevald requested the Council approve a Development Review for property located at 4821 Mustang Circle. He discussed the Development Review further with the Council and explained St. Cloud Industrial Products Inc. was interested in relocating to Mounds View. He reviewed the screening and landscaping plans for the site and recommended approval of the request.

Council Member Bergeron asked if the landscaping to the north of the parking lot would be consistent with the landscaping on the adjacent property. Planner Sevald was uncertain of the type of landscaping that was in place on the adjacent parcel. He explained he was proposing the landscaping to screen the shared parking.

Mayor Mueller questioned if the gray rectangle was the addition to the building. Planner Sevald

stated this was the case.

Council Member Meehlhause inquired if the screening was being suggested because of the shared parking. Planner Sevald stated this was correct.

Council Member Bergeron asked if the parking easement would remain in place between the properties even if the uses were to change. Planner Sevald reported the easement would remain in place.

Mayor Mueller questioned how the shared parking document would be finalized. Planner Sevald stated this document would have to be filed to the City prior to the applicant receiving a building permit.

Jim Schifler, St. Cloud Industrial Products, Inc., provided the Council with background information on his company and stated he has outgrown his current warehouse in Minneapolis. For this reason, he was pursuing a property in Mounds View. He explained his company was 100% employee owned and he estimated he would be employing 35 people between the two buildings.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8765, Approval of a Development Review for Property located at 4821 Mustang Circle as revised.

Council Member Meehlhause and Mayor Mueller welcomed St. Cloud Industrial Products to the City of Mounds View.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

D. Resolution 8764, Accepting Bids and Awarding Contract for the City Hall and Community Center Parking Lots Mill & Overlay Project.

Public Works Director Erickson requested the Council accept bids and award a contract for the City Hall and Community Center parking lots mill and overlay project. He explained these parking lots were showing a great deal of wear and were in need of replacement. He indicated this project was sent out for bid and seven qualified bids were received. It was noted the low bid was received from Bituminous Roadways at an amount of \$106,880.25. The engineer's estimate for this project was \$140,000. Staff recommended the Council accept the bids and award the contract to Bituminous Roadways with a contingency of 10%.

Council Member Meehlhause asked how this project would impact the Festival in the Park celebration. Public Works Director Erickson stated the contractor was aware of the August 19th date and would have this surface useable for that weekend.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Bergeron. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8764, Accepting Bids and Awarding Contract for the City Hall and Community Center Parking Lots Mill & Overlay Project.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

E. Resolution 8767, Approve Amendment to Agreement with Oertel Architects.

Public Works Director Erickson requested the Council approve an amendment to the agreement with Oertel Architects. He explained throughout the design process for the new Public Works Facility additional work has been needed. He described the work Oertel Architects had completed on behalf of the City and requested approval of the amendment to the agreement.

Council Member Meehlhause questioned what fund would be used to cover the overage. Public Works Director Erickson stated the Special Project Fund would be used for the \$16,000 expense. Further discussion ensued regarding the overall bid for the project.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8767, Approve Amendment to Agreement with Oertel Architects.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

F. Resolution 8773, Authorizing Advertisement for Hiring a Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Department.

Assistant City Administrator Crane requested the Council authorize advertisement for hiring a maintenance worker in the Public Works Department. She reported staff just got word that Jeff Wienke would be retiring after 28 years of service and his last day with the City would be June 30th. Staff requested the Council allow the City to advertise for the hiring of a maintenance worker.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Bergeron. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8773, Authorizing Advertisement for Hiring a Maintenance Worker in the Public Works Department.

Mayor Mueller thanked Jeff Wienke for his 28 years of dedicated service to the City of Mounds View. She wished him well in his retirement and stated he would be missed.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

10. REPORTS

A. Reports of Mayor and Council.

Council Member Hull reported he would be going on a sabbatical due the spreading of his cancer. He explained his leg would need a special high dose chemo treatment. He indicated he was uncertain of when he would return but stated his prognosis was good.

Mayor Mueller wished him the very best and encouraged Council Member Hull to seek help from his neighbors and friends at the City.

Council Member Hull commented he would be getting married on Saturday, June 17th.

Council Member Bergeron offered his congratulations to Council Member Hull along with his thoughts and prayers.

Council Member Bergeron stated he would be attending the Land Use Education Session at the League of Minnesota Cities in St. Paul on Tuesday, June 13th. After that session, he would be heading to Rochester for the League of Minnesota Cities Conference.

Council Member Meehlhause explained he attended the Tri-City Meeting between Blaine, Spring Lake Park and Mounds View City Councils last week with Council Member Gunn and Administrator Ericson. He reported this group discussed the fire department. He believed there was great value in getting the three cities together each year to review the department's budget and corresponding levy impacts. In addition, the future growth potential for the fire department was addressed.

Mayor Mueller encouraged the residents in Mounds View to consider serving as a volunteer firefighter.

Council Member Meehlhause reported the NYFS Charity Golf Event was held on Monday, June 12th. He thanked Finance Director Beer for putting a foursome together from the City of Mounds View.

Council Member Meehlhause stated he would be attending an NYFS Human Resources meeting on Wednesday, June 14th. He congratulated Assistant City Administrator Crane for being appointed to this group.

Council Member Meehlhause reported the Mounds View Business Council would be meeting on Wednesday, June 14th at the Mermaid.

Council Member Meehlhause explained the local Chamber of Commerce has a new president and his name was John Connelly. He believed Mr. Connelly would be a great addition to this organization.

Council Member Meehlhause indicated he would also be attending the League of Minnesota Cities Conference Wednesday through Friday of this week in Rochester, Minnesota.

Mayor Mueller stated she was proud that three Council Members, the Mayor and the City Administrator would be attending the League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference this year. She reviewed the conference agenda and noted she was looking forward to attending a number of the sessions being planned for this event.

Mayor Mueller asked for volunteers to come forward and assist with finalizing plans for Festival in the Park, which would be held on Saturday, August 19th. She reported the next planning

meeting would be held on Tuesday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall and all were welcome to attend. She explained registrations were now being taken for the Car Show.

Mayor Mueller stated the City of Mounds View will turn 60 years old in 2018 and a community celebration was being planned. She encouraged residents to consider volunteering to help plan this wonderful event.

Mayor Mueller reported Mounds View Schools Education Foundation is celebrating 30 years of commitment to students in the Mounds View School District and a program was being planned for Thursday, July 20th at 8:00 a.m. at the Irondale High School cafeteria.

Mayor Mueller discussed the Friends of the Park tree sale that was held this spring. She was pleased to report \$50 was donated to the City of Mounds View for tree planting in the City's parks.

Mayor Mueller highlighted the YMCA's schedule of events. She encouraged residents to contact the Community Center if they are not receiving this publication.

Mayor Mueller invited residents to visit the little library at the corner of Groveland and Ardan on Tuesday, June 13th at 10:00 a.m. for a book reading.

Mayor Mueller thanked Council Member Hull for sharing his health concerns and stated she sent her thoughts and prayers. She wished him and Tasha every happiness as they exchange their vows on Saturday.

Mayor Mueller discussed the recent storm damage that occurred in the City last week.

Council Member Gunn invited the public to attend the free Music in the Park event being planned for Thursday, June 22nd where Vinny Rose will be playing at 6:30 p.m. at Silver View Park.

B. Reports of Staff.

Public Works Director Erickson updated the Council on the Public Works Facility noting the foundation was being worked on at this time. He noted the bulk of the work on Area I was complete. He discussed the progress being made on the Met Council project.

City Administrator Ericson asked if the City Council wanted to move forward with a special ballot question seeking a 20th police officer for the Mounds View Police Department. Council consensus was to support this matter.

City Administrator Ericson inquired if the City Council was interested in seeking proposals for the childcare provider at the Community Center. He understood that the YMCA was still interested in providing this service. He noted the City has had a good history with Creative Kids. He requested feedback on how to proceed with this matter.

Council Member Gunn supported both parties providing the City with a proposal for childcare services.

Council Member Hull agreed.

Council Member Meehlhause was in favor of asking both parties to submit a proposal to the City.

Mayor Mueller concurred and summarized the history of the situation for Council Member Bergeron. Council consensus was to direct staff to request proposals from Creative Kids and the YMCA for childcare services.

City Administrator Ericson explained MnDOT was requesting feedback regarding the sound wall and if a special decoration should be considered within the wall. He noted the special decoration would be incorporated into the wall at no cost to the City.

Council Member Meehlhause supported the City logo being incorporated into the sound wall.

Council Members Bergeron, Hull and Gunn concurred.

Mayor Mueller encouraged staff to speak with MnDOT to see if the City's logo could be incorporated into the proposed sound walls.

City Administrator Ericson reported the disc golf course at Silver View Park would be undergoing renovations.

C. Reports of City Attorney.

There was nothing additional to report.

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| 11. Next Council Work Session: | Monday, July 17, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. |
| Next Council Meeting: | Monday, June 26, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. |

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

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