

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

APPROVED

Regular Meeting
September 11, 2017
Mounds View City Hall
2401 County Road 10, 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, September 11, 2017, City Council Agenda.**

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Bergeron. To Approve the Monday, September 11, 2017, agenda as presented.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. **August 28, 2017, City Council Meeting Minutes.**

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 6, Line 2 and 3, changing street maintenance to read economic development activities.

Council Member Gunn requested a correction on Page 6, Line 7 removing the word the.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 8, Line 17 removing the words administrative assistant.

Council Member Meehlhause requested a correction on Page 11 requesting notification for the Crossroad Pointe meeting be posted on Front Door, the City's website and Facebook page.

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 10, Line 12 noting this line should read: implemented in the City of Coon Rapids.

Mayor Mueller requested a correction on Page 10, Line 24 requesting this comment read: to wish him well up north.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Approve the August 28, 2017, City Council meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Just and Correct Claims.**
- B. Resolution 8821, Approving a Lease Agreement with Neopost/MailFinance for a Postage Machine.**
- C. Set a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m., September 25, 2017, to Consider the First Reading and Introduction of Ordinance 937, an Ordinance Granting a Cable Franchise to Comcast of Minnesota, Inc.**
- D. Resolution 8823, Authorizing the Advertisement of the Building Official Position and Approving Temporary Inspection Services.**
- E. Resolution 8824, Adopting a Special Assessment Levy for Unpaid Sanitary Sewer Line Repairs at 8071 Woodlawn Drive.**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

David Piskorski, 7878 Woodlawn Drive, asked if the trees on the City-owned property along Woodlawn Drive and Hillview would be removed. Interim Public Works Director Peterson stated this lot would be thinned to make room for the power lines, but noted the lot would not be clear cut.

8. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. Constitution Week Proclamation.**

Mayor Mueller read a proclamation in full for the record declaring September 17-23, 2017 to be Constitution Week in the City of Mounds View.

9. COUNCIL BUSINESS

- A. 6:00 p.m. Public Hearing to Consider Resolution 8826, Approving an Off Sale 3.2 Liquor License for SNAP Market at 2408 County Road I.**

Finance Director Beer requested the Council approve an Off Sale 3.2 liquor license for SNAP Market which is located at 2408 County Road I. He reported the applicant has submitted all necessary paperwork and fees. It was noted the license would expire on June 30, 2018. Staff recommends approval of the request.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 6:18 p.m.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 6:18 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8826, Approving an Off Sale 3.2 Liquor License for SNAP Market at 2408 County Road I.

Council Member Meehlhause reported the owners have satisfied all City requirements for the requested Off Sale 3.2 Liquor License and was pleased to report the applicant has previous experience in owning and operating a liquor store.

Ayes – 4 Nays – 1 (Mueller) Motion carried.

B. ~~Resolution 8825, Approving a Marketing Agreement with Utility Service Partners.~~

This item was removed from the agenda.

C. **First Reading and Introduction of Ordinance 938, an Ordinance amending Municipal Code, Section 502 regarding On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for Movie Theaters.**

City Planner/Supervisor Sevald explained New Vision Cinema operates the movie theater across from City Hall. Renovations to the property are being planned for 2018 which include a new lobby, recliner seating and a bar within the theater. He stated patrons would be allowed to purchase drinks at the bar and could be consumed during movies. He discussed the City's liquor license requirements noting an Ordinance amendment would be required in order to allow a movie theater to have a bar. Staff provided further comment on the proposed amendment and recommended the Council introduce the Ordinance.

Council Member Gunn asked where the proposed bar would be located. Brandt Erwin, attorney for the applicant, stated the bar would be located to one side of the lobby area.

Council Member Gunn questioned if drinks would be able to be brought into the theaters. Mr. Erwin stated this would be the case.

Council Member Meehlhause inquired how the movie theater would police the underage consumption of alcoholic beverages within the theaters. Mr. Erwin explained compliance would be conducted at the point of sale and movie theater employees would have to patrol the theaters to ensure minors were not consuming the beverages.

Council Member Gunn asked if any local movie theaters have had a problem with their liquor license. Mr. Erwin commented on the movie theaters that have already obtained a liquor license and explained there have not been any concerns to date.

Council Member Bergeron questioned if additional employees would be brought on to monitor the theaters. Kirsten Dillon, General Manager for New Vision Cinema, stated it was her hope the proposed renovations would bring more business to the theater, which would require the hiring of additional employees.

Mayor Mueller requested further information on the actions the City would take if liquor were sold to a minor at the movie theater. Finance Director Beer reviewed the actions that could be taken by the City if liquor were served to a minor.

Council Member Gunn noted Moe's was located quite close to a school building and noted there have been no issues.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the First Reading and Introduce Ordinance 938, an Ordinance amending Municipal Code, Section 502 regarding On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for Movie Theaters.

Council Member Meehlhause stated he was excited the movie theater had been purchased by an organization that was interested in renovating this property.

Mayor Mueller questioned if the City knew the hours of operation for the proposed bar in the movie theater. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald explained the movie theater would have to follow the hours of operation within City Ordinance.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

D. Resolution 8827, Authorizing Preparation of Feasibility Report and Pavement and Soil Borings for Program Avenue, Quincy Street, Woodale Drive, Clifton Drive (AKA Business Park North) Pavement Rehabilitation.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council authorize the preparation of a Feasibility Report along with Pavement and Soil Borings for Program Avenue, Quincy Street, Woodale Drive, Clifton Drive (AKA Business Park North) Pavement Rehabilitation program. He discussed the numerous businesses located within Business Park North and noted it would be important for the City to keep traffic flowing throughout the project area. Staff commented on the expense for the project and noted this item was included in the 2018 budget and CIP.

Finance Director Beer noted the City would propose to assess the benefiting property owners 12.5% for this project.

Mayor Mueller asked when the soil boring work would be completed. Interim Public Works Director Peterson reported the soil boring would be completed yet this fall.

Council Member Meehlhause questioned if the City had received any comments from the business owners on when these streets would be addressed. Interim Public Works Director

Peterson stated he had not received any comments from the business owners.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8827, Authorizing Preparation of Feasibility Report and Pavement and Soil Borings for Program Avenue, Quincy Street, Woodale Drive, Clifton Drive (AKA Business Park North) Pavement Rehabilitation.

Mayor Mueller asked if this would be the only street project completed by the City in 2018. Interim Public Works Director Peterson explained this would be the only street project in 2018.

Council Member Meehlhause stated he was pleased to see these roadways were being planned for improvement.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Mueller reopened the meeting for Public Comment.

Linda Stewlow, 2366 Pinewood Circle, apologized for being late to the Council meeting. She spoke to the SNAP Market liquor license and stated she was disappointed that this request had been approved. She believed a convenience store did not work at this location. She commented on the disappointing experiences she had at the previous SNAP Market.

Mayor Mueller explained the property was under new ownership and stated the City did not anticipate they would have any problems with the new owners. She commented the new owners had experience running this type of establishment in the metro area.

Council Member Bergeron thanked Ms. Stewlow for bringing her concerns to the City Council.

10. REPORTS

A. Reports of Mayor and Council.

Council Member Gunn stated the Irondale Robotics would be holding a FIRST Fair on Saturday, September 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Irondale Gyms. She explained this was a free event open to the public.

Council Member Gunn reported the I35W Coalition met recently and received an update from MnDOT. She explained the I35W project was now fully funded and would run from Highway 36 to Lexington Avenue. Full construction of the project would begin in 2019. She stated a ground-breaking ceremony was being planned for September 2018. It was noted the project was predicted to take four years to complete.

Council Member Bergeron congratulated the Irondale Knights football team for getting off to great start for their season.

Council Member Meehlhause stated the YMCA Advisory Committee met today. He provided the Council with a detailed report from this meeting. He indicated summer programming at the Y was very well attended. He explained intermural sports for high school students were being pursued for this fall and stated the Movies in the Park events would be reevaluated for 2018 in order to improve attendance.

Council Member Meehlhause noted he would be attending an NYFS Executive Committee meeting on Thursday, a Twin Cities Gateway Board meeting next Tuesday and a NYFS Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday. In addition, he would be attending a League of Minnesota Cities focus group session next Thursday.

Council Member Meehlhause reported there would be a neighborhood meeting on Thursday, September 21st at the Mounds View Community Center at 6:00 p.m. where the Crossroad Pointe redevelopment project would be presented. He stated all residents of Mounds View were invited to attend.

Council Member Meehlhause encouraged residents to attend the Mounds View Lions Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Thursday, October 19th at the VFW in Spring Lake Park from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Council Member Gunn stated she would be attending a Cable Commission meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 21st.

Mayor Mueller stated she attended a Five Cities meeting today with Interim City Administrator Zikmund where the group discussed issues facing each city. She described the sanctuary city regulations that were passed by Roseville and noted Mounds View would not be passing similar legislation. She provided further comment on the great care the Mounds View Police Department took in responding to and connecting with the public regardless of their immigration status. Lastly, she highlighted the other events occurring within the five-member cities noting the City of New Brighton would be opening a license bureau at their City Hall.

Mayor Mueller invited the public to attend an Open House meeting on Monday, September 18th where the reconstruction of Long Lake Road would be addressed by Ramsey County. The meeting will be held the Mounds View Community Center from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Mueller stated Festival in the Park was wonderfully successful this year. She reported the Festival for 2018 will be held on August 18th. She indicated the next Festival in the Park Committee meeting would be held on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Those interested in helping were encouraged to attend.

Mayor Mueller explained plans were in the works for the City's 60th Anniversary Celebration. She stated the brainstorming session for this celebration would be Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

B. Reports of Staff.

Finance Director Beer stated he was contacted by Kennedy & Graven regarding a potential conduit debt opportunity. He indicated a request was being made for \$7.5 million and the City would receive a fee of 1%. He asked if the Council was interested in pursuing this conduit debt issuance. The consensus of the Council was to pursue the conduit debt issuance.

Finance Director Beer explained the initial date for the Council retreat would have to be amended to ensure he and Interim City Administrator Zikmund could both attend. He proposed the Council retreat be held on Wednesday, October 25th. The Council discussed potential Council retreat dates and recommended the meeting be held on Monday, November 20th at Random Park at 6:00 p.m.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson reported the mill and overlay of the parking lots at City Hall and the Community Center would be completed on Monday, September 18th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. He noted the Area I contractor was working on a punch list.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson provided the Council with an update on the construction occurring at the new Public Works Facility.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson stated the storm sewer ditch along County Road I and Silver Lake Road project was being pushed back to November and possibly even 2018.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson invited the public to attend an Open House meeting for the Long Lake Road project on Monday, September 18th at the Mounds View Community Center. He discussed the plans for this project, including the proposed bike lanes, in further detail with the Council.

Interim Public Works Director Peterson reported he recently applied for a grant and was awarded \$65,000 for a playground. He explained the City had until December 2017 to spend these funds.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if staff any information regarding the anticipated completion date for the County Road H project. Interim Public Works Director Peterson stated he was uncertain when this project would be completed.

Mayor Mueller welcomed Interim City Administrator Zikmund to the City.

Interim City Administrator Zikmund expressed his appreciation to the Council for supporting his employment with the City of Mounds View. He stated he was working to meet with all department heads and staff members. He explained he would be providing the Council with his work schedule for the remainder of September.

Interim City Administrator Zikmund stated at the October worksession meeting the Council would be drafting an agenda for the Council retreat. He provided further comment on the posting

that would be placed on the City webpage and with the League of Minnesota Cities for the HR position.

Mayor Mueller reviewed the dates and times for the upcoming SBM Fire Station Open Houses.

C. Reports of City Attorney.

There was nothing additional to report.

- 11. Next Council Work Session: Monday, October 2, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.
Next Council Meeting: Monday, September 25, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.**

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

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