

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

**APPROVED**

Regular Meeting

April 9, 2018

Mounds View City Hall

2401 County Road 10, Mounds View, MN 55112

6:31 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, April 9, 2018, City Council Agenda.**

City Administrator Zikmund noted the agenda was revised to remove Item 5D. He reported this item was then placed on the agenda for consideration by the Council as Item 8G.

**MOTION/SECOND:** Gunn/Bergeron. To Approve the Monday, April 9, 2018, agenda as amended.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. **Approval of Minutes: March 26, 2018.**
  - B. **Just and Correct Claims.**
  - C. **Resolution 8942, Requesting Additional Time by the Metropolitan Council within which to complete the Comprehensive Plan.**
  - D. ~~**Resolution 8938, Authorizing the Purchase of a Watchguard Squad Camera System.**~~
  - E. **Resolution 8940, Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Public Works Collective Bargaining Unit regarding the Addition of a Parks Lead Worker, Streets Lead Worker, and Public Works Maintenance Worker – Forester.**
  - F. **Resolution 8943, Accepting Improvements and Approving Final Payment for the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.**
  - G. **Resolution 8944, Accepting Improvements and Approving Final Payment for the 2017 City Hall and Community Center Parking Lots Mill and Overlay.**

**H. Resolution 8945, Replacement of Chemical Scales for Water Treatment Plants 1, 2 and 3.**

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Approve the Consent Agenda as amended removing Item 5D.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dan Mueller, 8343 Groveland Road, commented for the record he and his wife (Mayor Mueller) have differing opinions. He stated one of the items the Council had recently discussed was the gun club and he understood the Council did not offer their support. He stated based on the same logic of protecting the public, perhaps the Council should consider not having alcohol sales or car dealerships in the City of Mounds View. In addition, fast food restaurants should also be removed from the City given the fact they contribute to heart disease and diabetes. It was his opinion these entities had much more of an impact on the City than the proposed gun club ever would have.

**7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**A. Resolution 8947, Approve Mounds View Citizen of the Year.**

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council adopt a Resolution approving the Mounds View Citizen of the Year which would be awarded to Betty Wall. He was pleased to report a feature story would be completed on this individual in the Sun Focus. He then read Resolution 8947 in full for the record.

Council Member Meehlhause reported last Friday he and Council Member Gunn met with Randy Wall, Betty's son, in order to gain additional background information on Betty. He explained Mr. Wall was very pleased that his mother would be receiving this recognition. He noted the City would be presenting this award to Betty's family on Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> which would have been Betty's 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

Mayor Mueller thanked Council Members Meehlhause and Gunn for meeting with Randy Wall. She reported Betty Wall was instrumental in the building of Unity Hospital.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8947, Approve Mounds View Citizen of the Year.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**B. Proclamation Earth Day and Arbor Day**

Mayor Mueller read a proclamation in full for the record declaring Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> to be Earth Day and Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> to be Arbor Day in the City of Mounds View.

**8. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**A. Public Hearing: Ordinance 941, Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to the Mounds View City Code, Section 1104.01 related to the Setback of Front Porches.**

City Planner/Supervisor Sevald requested the Council adopt an Ordinance amendment to Mounds View City Code related to the setback for front porches. He reported the minimum setback was currently 30 feet. He noted this did not allow for an allowance for a front porch within the 30-foot setback. He explained staff was proposing to amend City Code in order to allow front porches to have a setback of 24 feet, which would allow for a six-foot-deep porch. He stated staff received one email from the public in support of the proposed code amendment. He indicated the Planning Commission had reviewed this matter at their April 4<sup>th</sup> meeting and recommended approval.

Council Member Gunn questioned when this change would go into effect. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald stated the new regulations would go into effect 30 days after publication of the Ordinance summary.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 6:52 p.m.

Josh Willmert, 2317 Oakwood Drive, stated he supported the proposed Ordinance amendment. He explained he has lived in Mounds View for the past 16 years and believed the proposed change would enhance the City's housing stock. He looked forward to this item being approved by the City Council.

Bob King, 7408 Silver Lake Road, asked if the City had set a specific length on the porches. Mayor Mueller reported the porches could run the length of the house.

Mayor Mueller commented on the email the City Council received from Joan Magnuson noting she supported the proposed City Code amendment.

Hearing no further public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 6:55 p.m.

**MOTION/SECOND:** Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance 941, Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to the Mounds View City Code, Section 1104.01 related to the Setback of Front Porches authorizing staff to complete a summary publication of the Ordinance.

Mayor Mueller stated she was in support of the proposed code amendment noting she grew up in a neighborhood with front porches.

Council Member Meehlhause commented the proposed amendment was for a completely open front porch.

ROLL CALL: Bergeron/Gunn/Hull/Meehlhause/Mueller.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**B. Public Hearing: Ordinance 942, Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to the Mounds View City Code, Section 502 related to On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses.**

City Planner/Supervisor Sevald requested the Council adopt an Ordinance amendment to City Code related to On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses. He reported the proposed change would address the sale of hard liquor at convenience stores. He commented on the discussion the Planning Commission had regarding this code amendment. He noted the City was not in favor of setting a limit to the number of liquor licenses, but would require a secondary or separate entrance for all liquor sale establishments.

Council Member Bergeron commented the proposed change would bring the City in alignment with State Statute. City Planner/Supervisor Sevald reported this was the case.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.

Hearing no public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:02 p.m.

MOTION/SECOND: Mueller/Gunn. To Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance 942, Second Reading and Adoption of an Amendment to the Mounds View City Code, Section 502 related to On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses authorizing staff to complete a summary publication of the Ordinance.

Mayor Mueller stated she was hoping to limit the number of liquor licenses in the City. However, she was certain the market would determine the appropriate number of liquor licenses that could be supported in the community.

ROLL CALL: Bergeron/Gunn/Hull/Meehlhause/Mueller.

Ayes – 4

Nay – 1 (Hull)

Motion carried.

**C. Resolution 8946, Reject Received Bids for Greenfield and Groveland Parks, Tennis and Basketball Court Rehabilitation and Authorize to Re-Advertise.**

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council reject all bids received for Greenfield and Groveland parks, tennis and basketball court rehabilitation and authorize staff to re-advertise. He reported Fred Kolkman was hired to assist the City with plans and specifications. These plans were sent out for public bidding purposes and noted only one bid was received. He stated the bid came in at \$164,000 and was reviewed by the Park and Recreation Commission. He explained the contractor recently contacted the City noting they made a mistake to the bid and requested they be allowed to make a change. Staff discussed the proposed changes, which would increase

the price of the contract and recommended the Council reject the bids and rebid the project.

Mayor Mueller commended staff for their efforts on this item.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8946, Reject Received Bids for Greenfield and Groveland Parks, Tennis and Basketball Court Rehabilitation and Authorize to Re-Advertise.

Ayes – 5                      Nays – 0                      Motion carried.

**D. Resolution 8939, Adopting a Calendar for the Preparation of the 2019 Budget.**

Finance Director Beer requested the Council adopt a calendar for the preparation of the 2019 budget. He reviewed the important dates for upcoming events regarding the 2019 budget.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8939, Adopting a Calendar for the Preparation of the 2019 Budget.

Mayor Mueller noted the Council would be holding a Budget and Long-Range Planning Retreat on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Ayes – 5                      Nays – 0                      Motion carried.

**E. Updating City Code – City Administrator Report.**

City Administrator Zikmund reported staff was reviewing the City Code in order to find sections or areas in need of updates. He commented on several changes being proposed within the code and asked how many copies of City Code staff should have on hand. Staff also requested feedback on how administrative fees should be set.

Council consensus was to have two copies of the City Code on file with one copy at City Hall and the second copy at the Public Works building. The Council recommended administrative fees defer to State Statute.

Mayor Mueller thanked staff for bringing this item before the City Council. She appreciated the fact that the City was taking a proactive approach to updating City Code.

**F. Resolution 8937, Approve the Hiring of Jacob Garibay to the Position of Geographic Information Systems Technician.**

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council approve the hire of Jacob Garibay to the position of Geographic Information Systems Technician. He explained 26 candidates applied for this position and seven individuals were interviewed. He noted a second interview was held with Mr. Garibay and confirmed the recommendation that he be hired.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Hull. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8937, Approve the Hiring of Jacob Garibay to the Position of Geographic Information Systems Technician.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**G. Resolution 8938, Approving the Purchase of an Additional Watchguard Camera System.**

Police Chief Harder requested the Council approve the purchase of an additional Watchguard camera system. He explained this system would be used in a new squad car being purchased by the City. It was noted the expense of the unit was \$5,500.

Mayor Mueller asked if all of the City's squad cars had cameras. Police Chief Harder reported this was the case. He commented further on the benefits of the Watchguard camera system.

MOTION/SECOND: Mueller/Bergeron. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8938, Approving the Purchase of an Additional Watchguard Camera System.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

Motion carried.

**9. REPORTS**

**A. Reports of Mayor and Council.**

Council Member Bergeron stated he attended the recent North Suburban Cable Commission meeting. He noted this group discussed the reduction of hours available to cities from 100 to 50. He indicated there would now be a charge for the use of mobile facilities. He commented on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> he would be attending the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at the Mermaid that would be sponsored by the North Suburban Cable Commission.

Council Member Meehlhause reviewed his upcoming meeting schedule. He stated on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup> he would attending an NYFS Executive Committee meeting. He indicated on Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup> he would be attending an NYFS HR meeting.

Council Member Meehlhause thanked all of the residents of Mounds View that came out to Texas Roadhouse last Tuesday to support the Mounds View Police Foundation.

Mayor Mueller stated she would be attending a Ramsey County League of Local Government meeting on Thursday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. She noted on Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> she would be attending a Minnesota Women in Government meeting. She commented on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> she would be attending a League of Minnesota Cities Workshop on Safety and Loss Control in Brooklyn Park. She commented on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> she would also be attending the Metro Cities Annual Meeting.

Mayor Mueller reminded the Council about the Budget and Financial Planning Meeting that would be held at Random Park on Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Reports of Staff.**

Public Works Director Peterson noted on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> an open house would be held at the Community Center regarding the Long Lake Road resurfacing project.

Police Chief Harder thanked all of the Mounds View residents that were able to visit Texas Roadhouse last Tuesday night. He thanked the City Council and the City Administrator that were in attendance at the recent Coffee with a Cop event. He stated he was pleased to report Officer Melissa Miller would be starting with the department tomorrow.

Bob King, Mounds View Police Foundation, invited the public to attend Bowling with a Cop on Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at The Mermaid.

Finance Director Beer reported the 2017 audit was now complete and the City should be receiving an opinion on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.

City Administrator Zikmund commented that one of our business owners on Mounds View Boulevard was having a problem with postal delivery. He stated he was pleased to report this issue has been resolved.

**C. Reports of City Attorney.**

There was nothing additional to report.

<b>10. Next Council Work Session:</b>	<b>Monday, May 7, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Next Council Meeting:</b>	<b>Monday, April 23, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Council Finance Session:</b>	<b>Monday, April 16, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at Random Park</b>

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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