

City of Excelsior
Regular Council Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, July 18, 2022

6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:42 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Mayor Carlson and Councilmembers Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Kurschner

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Luger, Public Works Superintendent Amundsen, City Engineer Dawley, Community Development Director Mullin, Assistant City Manager/City Attorney Staunton, and City Clerk Williams

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(a) June 20, 2022 Closed Session Minutes

(b) June 20, 2022 City Council Work Session Minutes

(c) June 20, 2022 City Council Minutes

Dierking moved, Hersman seconded, to approve the June 20, 2022 Closed Session Minutes, June 20, 2022 City Council Work Session Minutes, and June 20, 2022 City Council Minutes. Motion carried 5/0.

4. OPEN FORUM

Charlie James, 10 Water Street, addressed the Council about the notification process of city code/ordinance amendments.

Peter Hartwich, 186 George Street, addressed the Council about the Residential Review Process and 10 Water Street.

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

(a) Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce Update

Tiffany King, Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce, gave an update on upcoming events.

(b) Heritage Preservation Commission Update

Kevin Staunton, Assistant City Manager/City Attorney, gave an update on the Heritage Preservation Commission.

(c) Concession/Plaza Project Update

Tim Amundsen, Public Works Superintendent, gave an update on the Concession/Plaza Project Update.

(d) Construction Update

Tim Amundsen, Public Works Superintendent, and Morgan Dawley, City Engineer, gave an update on construction.

(e) Cemetery Committee Update

Mayor Carlson gave an update on the Cemetery Committee.

(f) Mayor Updates

Mayor Carlson gave an update on available positions at Kowalski's Market.

Mayor Carlson stated there is a parking enforcement request on First Street.

6. MEET EXCELSIOR

- (a) None

7. AGENDA APPROVAL

- (a) Meeting Agenda

Kurschner moved, Dierking seconded, to approve the July 18, 2022 Meeting Agenda with the change to move Item 7(b)8 to Item 13(c). Motion carried 5/0.

- (b) Consent Agenda

Kurschner moved, Dierking seconded, to approve the July 18, 2022 Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5/0.

1. Review Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approve Verified Claims over \$20,000

Action – Reviewed Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approved Verified Claims over \$20,000.

2. Approve 2022 Business License

Action – Approved 2022 Business License.

3. Approve Pay Voucher No. 9 2021 Street & Utility Improvements Project

Action – Approved Pay Voucher No. 9 2021 Street & Utility Improvements Project.

4. 2023 Assessment Contract

Action – Approved 2023 Assessment Contract.

5. Continue Oak Street/Water Street Gateway Discussion

Action – Continued Oak Street/Water Street Gateway Discussion to the August 15th City Council Meeting.

6. May Financials

Action – Approved May 2022 Financials.

7. Disposing of Surplus Equipment and Materials

Action – Authorized Staff to Dispose of Surplus Equipment and Materials.

8. Resolution 2022-33 Approving PUD Preliminary Plan for Excelsior Flats

Action – Moved to Item 13(c).

9. Cemetery Committee Appointment

Action – Appointed Dean Salita to the Cemetery Committee.

10. 2022 Goal Report – Second Quarter

Action – No action. Information Only.

11. Sales Tax Bond Resolution

Action – Adopted Resolution 2022-35 Issuing 2022A General Obligations Sales Tax Bonds.

12. Resolution 2022-34 Apple Day Road Restrictions

Action – Adopted Resolution 2022-34 Apple Day Road Restrictions.

13. Continue Second Reading of Ordinance No. 637 Proposed Zoning Amendments Articles 2,4,50

Action – Continued the Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 637 to the August 1, 2022 City Council Meeting.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- (a) 339 Third Street – Sketch Plan Review

City Manager Luger, Community Development Director Mullin, and Assistant City Manager Staunton/City Attorney Staunton gave a presentation.

Carl Runck, Red Leaf Partners, LLC, Co-Applicant and James Howarth, Snow Kreilich, Architect, gave a presentation.

Judy Miller, 228 Center Street, addressed the Council opposed to the proposed redevelopment.

Bill Danbury, 256 Water Street, addressed the Council in favor of the proposed redevelopment.

Doug Jolstad, 464 Second Street, addressed the Council opposed to the proposed redevelopment.

Eric Snyder, 25 Center Street, addressed the Council in favor of the proposed redevelopment.

Sheila Halloran, 321 Third Street, addressed the Council in favor of the proposed redevelopment.

Matt Methuen, 200 Water Street, addressed the Council about the parking plan of the proposed development.

Bob Bolles, 229 George Street, addressed the Council opposed to the proposed redevelopment.

Nancy Brown, 274,276,278 Water Street, addressed the Council about parking concerns.

John Monson, 202 Water Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

Keri Sobiech, 264 Courtland Street, addressed the Council with safety concerns of the proposed redevelopment.

Bruce Anderson, 237 Center Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

Sharon Dahlstrom, 233 Center Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

Kellie Murphy-Ringate, 525 Third Avenue, addressed the Council in favor of the proposed redevelopment.

Chris Dennis, 409 Second Street, address the Council in favor of the proposed redevelopment but also stated some concerns.

Diane Bolles, 229 George Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

Steve Nelson, 464 Second Street, addressed the Council with parking concerns with the proposed redevelopment.

Timothy Alt, 420 Second Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

Chrystal O'Hanlon, 277 Center Street, addressed the Council with positive feedback on the proposed redevelopment.

Peter Hartwich, 186 George Street, addressed the Council with concerns about the proposed redevelopment.

The Council provided staff with direction to explore additional options for the location of City Hall, continue with the design process of 339 Third Street, and to look into financing of underground parking.

9. PETITIONS, REQUESTS and COMMUNICATIONS

(a) None

10. ORDINANCES and RESOLUTIONS

(a) None

11. REPORTS of OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

(a) None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) None

13. NEW BUSINESS

(a) South Lake Minnetonka Police Department Budget Direction

The Council provided feedback that an option lower than 5.0% budget option is preferred. Mayor Carlson will share the Council's discussion with the Coordinating Committee.

(b) Cannabinoid Issues

Patti Gelk, 370 Water Street, addressed the Council.

The Council provided staff with direction to explore licensing options.

(c) Resolution 2022-33 Approving PUD Preliminary Plan for Excelsior Flats

Hersman moved, Caron seconded, to continue this item to the August 1, 2022 City Council Meeting. Motion carried 5/0.

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14. ADJOURNMENT

Kurschner moved, Caron seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 P.M. Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Nalisha Williams, City Clerk