

**- MINUTES -  
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 16, 2010**

WORK SESSION

6:00pm

Present: Mayor Mark Windschitl; Councilmembers Chris Schulz, Greg Boe, Gino Businaro; City Administrator Matt Podhradsky; Assistant Administrator Bart Fischer; Planning Director Kevin Ringwald; and Chaska Herald Editor Mark Olson.

Podhradsky presented an update on the abandoned Union Pacific railroad corridor through downtown Chaska. Ringwald presented information and visual maps on the possibilities of a trail and utility easement for the corridor. The Council reacted positively to the presentation.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Windschitl at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Present: Councilmembers Schulz, Boe, Businaro, and Mayor Windschitl. Absent: Councilmember Ford.

Also Present: Luke Melchert, City Attorney; Bart Fischer, Assistant City Administrator; Planning Director; Noel Graczyk, Administrative Services Director; Barb Hand, Assistant Finance Director; Bill Monk, City Engineer; and Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator.

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Boe to adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

5. Visitor

Park and Recreation Director, Tom Redman and Assistant Park and Recreation Director, Kathy Skinner appeared before the Council to present an update on the Let's Go Fishing program. They explained there are over 75 volunteers at this time, and they have gone out on 76 trips. Kathy Skinner acknowledged the sponsors (attached list) and a video was played about the program. They also reminded residents of the upcoming "Touch a Truck" event on Thursday.

Capt. Jon Kehrberg, and Officer Julie Janke presented information on the recent Safety Camp, along with recognition of the Safety Camp sponsors. The Mayor thanked the Police Department and sponsors for the well received program.

Walt Ripplinger of 549 Saxony Court, Chaska appeared before the Council to thank the City for roping off and identifying the burial mounds in City Square Park during River City Days. He

produced a flyer for the Council announcing the Chaske Cikala Wacipi free dance event at McKnight Park on August 21, 2010 from 1:00 to 7:00 pm.

Libby Fairchild, Chair of the Chaska Human Rights Commission, appeared before the Council to announce a Human Rights Training Showcase on September 23, 2010 from 8:00 am to noon at the Chanhassen Library. She also distributed a summary flyer on the burial mounds in City Square Park.

#### 6. Minutes

Motion by Councilmember Schulz, second by Councilmember Businaro to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2010 City Council meeting.

Motion carried.

#### 7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to approve the Consent Agenda Items a through e:

- a. Approve minutes of the August 9, 2010 Park Board meeting
- b. Adopt Resolution No. 10-58 Approving Livable Communities  
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-58, electing to continue participating in the local housing incentives account program under the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act.
- c. Adopt Resolution No. 10-55 Approving Carver County Resolution 27.10 Establishing CSAH 61 as MSA Road  
Motion to approve Resolution 10-55, establishing CSAH 61.
- d. Adopt Resolution No. 10-59 Approving Solicitor Permit No. 10-16 for On-Call Cleaners  
Motion to adopt Resolution No. 10-59 approving Solicitor Permit No. SOL.10-16 in the name of Lori Borak, of On-Call Cleaners located at 1359 Crest Drive, Chaska, Mn. 55318 for the period of August 17, 2010 through December 31, 2010.
- e. Establish the Date of Sale for GO Improvement Bonds, Series 2010C; and Taxable GO Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2010D  
Motion to establish Monday, August 30, 2010 as the date of Sale for both the \$1,935,000 GO Improvement Bonds, Series 2010C; and, for the \$360,000 Taxable GO Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2010D.

Motion carried.

#### 8. Public Hearing: Approve Chevalle Special Assessments Resolution No. 10-56

The City Administrator presented the item to the Council.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:55 pm by the Mayor.

No one appeared before the Council.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:56 by the Mayor.

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Businaro to approve Resolution No. 10-56, adopting the special assessments related to acquisition of parkland in Chevalle.

Motion carried.

9. Public Hearing: Approve Resolution No. 10-57 ordering the TH 41 Median and Second Street Signal Project

The City Administrator presented the item to the Council.

Councilmember Businaro asked what the median would be constructed of and the City Engineer said it will be colored concrete, with bollards, banner poles, planters, and storm sewers, and the number of lanes remaining the same.

The Mayor inquired about the crosswalks and the City Engineer stated there will be crosswalks at each intersection.

Councilmember Boe asked when the speed limit signs will be posted and was told by the City Engineer they should be up in the next couple of weeks.

The Public Hearing was opened by the Mayor at 8:03 pm.

No one appeared before the Council.

The Public Hearing was closed by the Mayor at 8:04 pm.

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Boe to approve Resolution No. 10-57 ordering the TH 41 Median and Second Street Signal Project.  
Motion carried.

10. Review of 2009 Certified Annual Financial Report

The Financial Report was presented by the City Administrator, Administrative Services Director, and Assistant Finance Director, as well as Bill Lauer from MMKR Auditors.

Administrative Services Director Graczyk recognized the services of Barb Hand, Assistant Finance Director, Lisa Nelson, Accountant, and the entire staff on the project.

Councilmembers Businaro and Schulz and Mayor Windschitl thanked the Administrative Services Department for their work.

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to accept the City of Chaska 2009 Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports and the Chaska Fire Department Relief Association 2009 Annual Financial Reports.  
Motion carried.

11. Approve Joint Powers Agreement for a Temporary Signal on Engler Boulevard

The City Administrator and City Engineer presented the item to the Council.

The Mayor inquired as to when the temporary signal would be installed and the City Engineer said all facets of the project should be done by the end of the year.

The City Administrator stated that the City and County are negotiating a cost share plan for the construction of the improvements on Engler Boulevard.

Motion by Councilmember Boe, second by Councilmember Businaro to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with Carver County for a temporary signal with striping at the Clover Ridge Drive/Engler Boulevard intersection.

Motion carried.

#### 12. Approve Driveway Relocation Agreement with SuperAmerica LLC

The City Administrator presented the item to the Council.

The City Engineer added that the project could be completed before school opens in the fall.

Motion by Councilmember Schulz, second by Councilmember Boe to approve the SuperAmerica Driveway Relocation Agreement and the Quit Claim Deed transferring ownership of a portion of Outlot B, Cortina Woods.

Motion carried.

#### 13. Bills

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to approve the bills as presented, with the clause that any Councilmember may put a hold on any payment if they notify the C. A. before the end of the week. Roll call was taken. Voting aye: Councilmembers Schulz, Boe, Businaro, and Mayor Windschitl. Voting nay: None. Councilmember Ford absent.

Motion carried.

#### 14. Other Business

Councilmember Schulz:

- Inquired about the crosswalks in the downtown area and which intersections should have them. The City Engineer explained that MnDOT has marked them in the past. He said the question could be researched and an answer brought back to the Council for discussion.

Councilmember Boe:

- Inquired as to which side of the street the crosswalks should be. The City Engineer said they would be placed where they would be most used, adjacent to City Square Park.

Councilmember Businaro:

- Requested that minutes be taken any time the Council meets. A consensus was reached by the Councilmembers that a written summary be made of any Work Sessions that take place.
- He thanked the Park and Recreation staff for their efforts at providing music in the park on Friday nights.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Asked if we could consolidate how we market events. The City Administrator stated that as expand the duties of the Communications Coordinator the request would be reviewed.

Councilmember Boe:

- Reminded residents of the PowWow at McKnight Park on Saturday.
- He also stated that the north section of Creek Road has a drop off on the shoulder, which the City Engineer said he would look at.
- He asked if a trail would be linked from the Clover Field-Clover Ridge area to the West Creek Corporate campus. The City Administrator said a trail connection may possibly occur in Phase 2 of the project.

Mayor Windschitl:

- Announced that the Chaska Cubs have made the State Tournament.
- Commented on the Veterans Park memorial space.
- Inquired as to whether the West Creek Corporate Center is on schedule and was told it is on schedule by the City Engineer.
- Stated that the Sandy Acres paving project looks good and thanked the Public Works Department for their work.
- Commented that the fence around the old Klingelhutz property has been fixed.

15. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Businaro, second by Councilmember Schulz to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

WORK SESSION CONTINUED

10:30 pm

The City Administrator updated the Council on the status of the Klein Mansion. He said there is interest from the Eastern Carver County Arts Consortium to create a fine arts building and possibly partner with the City. The City Council expressed support and the desire to get something in the building soon.

End of Work Session.