

**REQUEST FOR ACTION  
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL  
FEBRUARY 5, 2018**

**Subject: Public Hearing for Chaska’s Wellhead Protection Plan Amendment**

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The City of Chaska, in conjunction with Stantec, prepared a Wellhead Protection Plan in 2006 to meet the requirements of State Statutes. The purpose of the plan was to determine the area of land (the “capture zone”) that contributes water to the City’s wells over a 10-year time span. Management goals were set up to identify any existing or future land uses that could pose a threat to the aquifers that serve the City’s wells. Potential sources of contamination were inventoried as part of the planning effort.

As required by the Minnesota Department of Health, the City of Chaska has completed an amendment to the Wellhead Protection Plan to reflect current water usage and to update the inventory of land uses (and potential contamination sources) within the capture zone area. The focus on management activities for the next ten years will be to locate unused, unsealed wells and work with the land owners to seal the wells, in order to be in compliance with the State’s Well Code. Grant money is available from the State to assist with sealing unused wells.

No imminent risks to the City’s wells were identified in the amended Wellhead Protection Plan. Following the public hearing, the next step is to submit the Wellhead Protection Plan to the Minnesota Department of Health for final review and approval.

**CITY COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED**

Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2018-11, authorizing the submittal of Chaska’s Wellhead Protection Plan for final review and approval to the Minnesota Department of Health.