Hastings, Minnesota City Council Minutes November 20, 2017

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4th Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Hicks, Councilmembers Balsanek, Folch, Lund, Vaughan and Braucks,

and Leifeld.

Staff Present: City Administrator Melanie Mesko Lee

Administrative Services Director Julie Flaten

City Attorney Dan Fluegel

Community Development Director John Hinzman Economic Development Coordinator Morgan Hill

Public Works Director Nick Egger Assistant City Engineering John Caven

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Hicks asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on November 6, 2017.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

Mesko Lee asked to remove #3. This item will be brought back at a future meeting. Councilmember Vaughan moved, seconded by Councilmember Leifeld to approve as amended. Ayes 7; Nays, None.

- 1. Pay Bills as Audited
- 2. **Resolution 11-12-17** Declaring Insurance Liability Coverage
- 3. Approve Joint Powers Agreement Dakota Broadband Board
- 4. Approve Submittal of 2018 Community Funding Recycling Grant Application and JPA
- 5. Approve Additional Assessment Abatement
- 6. **Resolution 11-13-17** Approve Final Payment Riverfront Renaissance Phase 2
- 7. Approve Pay Estimate No. 5 2017-1 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement
- 8. Order Public Hearing: Authorize Disposition of City Property Hudson Manufacturing (200 West 2nd Street

Public Hearing - Annual Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Permit Report

Caven introduced the item requesting Council to hold a Public Hearing for Hastings Annual Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. The Federal Clean Water Act requires small cities to submit a permit to discharge storm water into receiving water bodies. The storm water permit typically covers a five year period and is intended to reduce pollutants from not only our storm sewer discharge points, but also from overland runoff that drains directly to rivers, lakes, and ponds. The City annually conducts a public hearing to present a summary of the annual storm water pollution prevention activities as part of its Storm Water Permit requirements.

Public Hearing Opened at 7:08 p.m.

Hearing no comments.

Public Hearing Closed at 7:09 p.m.

Council discussion on Vermillion Street sweeping schedule. Caven clarified that this in MnDOT's responsibility but they work closely with the City.

Resolution 11-14-17: Variance & Resolution 11-15-17: OHDS Review #2017-46 – Setback and Construction of a New Garage – Milligan (317 West 3rd Street)

Hinzman introduced the item requesting Council approve Resolutions to grant a Variance to the rear setback of an accessory structure and approval of Original Hastings Design Standards Review – Rear Setback for Garage at 317 3rd Street West for Daniel Milligan. The Planning Commission has unanimously approved these requests.

Council discussion on purpose of 20' setback.

Councilmember Balsanek moved, seconded by Councilmember Braucks to approve as presented. Ayes, 7; Nays, None.

Update on City Actions in Response to Target's Announcement of Store Closing

Hill provided an update as to what actions have been taken and the next steps for moving forward. Kristy Barse was in attendance and recognized for the work of the Chamber of Commerce.

Council discussion on option for mini-Target, impact of petition, request of Target for profit-margin history, ownership and plans for property, inventory of C-4 properties in City, long-term needs, length of time building can remain vacant, and property tax impacts.

Nick Egger, Public Works Director, displayed award won at recent American Public Works Association conference for Riverfront Renaissance project.

Councilmember Folch asked for follow-up from September 10th Solar Agreement. Mesko Lee stated that Apex study was complete and City was not moving forward at this time, but plans to look at sustainability goals. This item will be discussed at a council workshop in early 2018.

- HEDRA Commission is rescheduled to Tuesday, November 21st at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.
- HPC Commission meeting on Tuesday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall has been cancelled.
- City Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- Planning Commission will meet on Monday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- City Council will hold a closed-door meeting on Tuesday, November 28th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- Councilmember Vaughan will attend the Red Rock meeting on Thursday, November 30th at 4:30 p.m. at Newport City Hall.
- Operations Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 4th.
- The City has opportunities to serve on various commissions. Visit www.hastingsmn.gov to learn more and apply.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Braucks seconded by Councilmember Folch. Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Ayes, 7 Nays, None.

Paul Hicks, Mayor

Julie Flaten, City Clerk