

**Hastings, Minnesota  
City Council Minutes  
February 19, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 19, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

**Members Present:** Mayor Fasbender, Councilmembers Balsanek, Braucks, Folch, Lund and Vaughan.

**Members Absent:** Leifeld

**Staff Present:** Interim City Administrator Julie Flaten  
City Attorney Dan Fluegel  
Community Development Director John Hinzman  
Public Works Director Nick Egger  
City Engineer Ryan Stempski

**Proclamation:** City-Wide Food Fight

Mayor Fasbender and the Council read the proclamation deeming March as a City-Wide Food Fight. Kris Koop, Executive Director of Hastings Family Services thanked the Council and the Community for their support.

**Presentation:** 2018 ReScape Community Impact Award: Hastings Artspace Lofts

Hinzman introduced Hava Blair of MN Brownfields and Steven Jansen of Braun Intertec who presented the award to the City.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Fasbender asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on February 4, 2019.

Minutes were approved as presented.

**Consent Agenda**

Councilmember Folch motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Balsanek. Ayes, 6; Nays, 0.

1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Resolution No. 02-04-19: Appointing Public Safety Advisory Commissioners as Hearing Officers for Dangerous Dog Appeals
3. Memo: Approve 2019 Traffic Marking Program and Authorize South Metro Joint Powers Agreement
4. Resolution No. 02-05-19: Approve Off-Sale Liquor and Tobacco License for House of Wines
5. Resolution No. 02-06-19: Application for Local Road Improvement Program Grant (Highway 316 Project)
6. Approve Budget Carryovers – 2018 to 2019
7. Resolution No. 02-07-19: Amend the 2018 Budget, Authorizing Transfers, and Authorizing Account Write Off

### **Public Hearing – 2019 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement Project**

Stempski introduced the item requesting Council to conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed scope and features of City Project 2019-1, the 2019 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements. The proposed project includes two separate geographic areas (Area 1 – Louis Lane Neighborhood and Area 2 – Bohlken Drive/31<sup>st</sup> Street West Neighborhoods). The project scope identifies full reconstruction and reclaiming of streets.

Public Hearing opened at 7:32 p.m.

Lindsay Anderson of 1953 Louis Lane asked about the bike lanes, parking, and the longevity of the markings. Also had concerns about dog waste along trails.

Adeline McDonald of 1918 Manor Lane asked about access to driveways, mailboxes, and concerns with disabled residents having proper access to their homes.

Ron Rother of 680 South Park Court asked if it was necessary for Hackberry Lane to be reconstructed due the appearance of the pavement does not appear to be in need of repair and there are other streets in far worse condition.

Kenneth McDonald of 1918 Manor Lane asked about sewer pipe replacement and the lining of sewer pipes.

Bruce Ganrud of 1895 Louis Lane asked about the angle being changed of Louis and if it was necessary. Also asked about the street drainage.

Todd Herbst of 3275 Lester Avenue asked about the Assessment Public Hearing on March 18<sup>th</sup> and if that meeting will clarify how the assessments were determined.

David Greengo of 705 Bohlken Drive had concerns over his property being assessed and the portion of Bohlken Drive that is including in this project.

Public Hearing closed at 7:56 p.m.

Council discussion on concerns of assessments and clarification, swale areas and drainage, having two construction projects in two geographic areas, shared bike lanes, spot curb replacement, trail completion in the future, commitment to the Comprehensive Plan. Council thanked residents of Louis Lane for their abiding by the speed limits, staff, committee members, and the community members were also thanked for their commitment to this project.

### **Resolution No. 02-08-19: Order 2019 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements and to Authorize Advertisement for Bids.**

Councilmember Vaughan motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Balsanek.

Ayes, 6; Nays, 0.

### **Resolution No. 02-09-19: Support Xcel Energy's Commitment to 100 Percent Carbon Free Energy Production by 2050.**

Councilmember Folch introduced the item asking Council to consider adopting the resolution in support of Xcel Energy's Commitment to 100 Percent Carbon Free Energy Production by 2050.

Council discussion on the value this has to the residents of Hastings, if this resolution requires a commitment or agreement between the City of Hastings and Xcel energy, potentially setting precedence and showing favoritism.

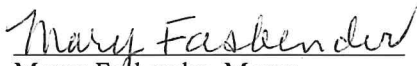
Councilmember Folch motioned to approve as presented, hearing no second, the motion fails.

Mayor Fasbender and Councilmembers made the following announcements:

- Councilmember Balsanek announced he and other members of Council will be attending the League of Minnesota Cities Legislative Conference on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

- Councilmember Braucks shared the Administrative Committee of the Council will meet on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss the proposals received for the City Administrator search process.
- Planning Commission meeting on Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
- Equity Innovation Lab on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Hastings Golf Club.
- Councilmember Leifeld was wished a Happy Birthday.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Vaughan, seconded by Councilmember Braucks. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

  
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Mayor Fasbender, Mayor

  
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Julie Flaten, City Clerk