

**CITY OF HASTINGS
CITY COUNCIL FOLLOW-UP AGENDA**

Monday, March 2, 2020

7:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Mayor Fasbender, Councilmembers Balsanek, Braucks, Folch, Lund and Vaughan

Absent: Councilmember Leifeld

Staff Present:

**City Administrator Dan Wietecha
Administrative Services Director Julie Flaten
City Attorney Dan Fluegel
City Engineer Ryan Stempski
Community Development Director John Hinzman
Public Works Director Nick Egger**

Proclamation: MS Awareness Week

City Councilmembers read the proclamation and presented it to Mary Nehring.

Proclamation Commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War

City Councilmembers read the proclamation and Dean Markuson presented information on women who serve.

Presentation - Dakota County Historical Society

Mariah Ring and Matt Carter, Dakota County Historical Society, discussed the quarterly LeDuc Historic Estate report, budget, and upcoming events.

Presentation - League of Minnesota Cities – Dave Unmacht

Dave Unmacht, executive director, presented information on the mission of the League and the relationship between the League and Minnesota cities.

Presentation - Ethical Leaders in Action – Chad Weinstein

Chad Weinstein, Ethical Leaders in Action, discussed the upcoming City Council/senior staff retreat.

- V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting on February 18, 2020.

Minutes were approved as presented.

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- VI. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

Comments from the audience may include remarks about items listed on the Consent Agenda.

VII. COUNCIL ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

Mayor Fasbender asked to have a proclamation for Hastings Family Service added to the agenda. Hearing no objection, the item was added as #3 under Administration.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

The items on the Consent Agenda are items of routine nature or no perceived controversy to be acted upon by the City Council in a single motion. There will be no discussion on these items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which event the items will be removed from the Consent Agenda to the appropriate Department for discussion.

Councilmember Lund asked to have #4 pulled from consent. It was moved to #4 under Administration.

**Balsanek, Braucks to approve as amended.
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1. Pay Bills as Audited
2. Resolution **No. 03-01-20**: Acceptance and Appreciation of a Donation to the Parks & Recreation Department for a Memorial Bench from the Nesbitt Family
3. 1st Reading\Order Public Hearing: City Ordinance Change: State Building Code Adopted
4. Approve Agreement with Ehlers Inc. for Utility Rate Study Review
5. Approve 2020 Traffic Marking Program and Authorize South Metro Joint Powers Agreement
6. Resolution **No. 03-02-20**: Approve Plans and Authorize Advertisement for Bids – 2020 Mill & Overlay Program
7. Resolution **No. 03-03-20**: Acceptance and Appreciation of a Donation to the Police Department from the Rivertown Lions Club

IX. AWARDING OF CONTRACTS AND PUBLIC HEARING

These are formal proceedings that give the public the opportunity to express their concern, ask questions, provide additional information, or support on a particular matter. Once the public hearing is closed, no further testimony is typically allowed and the Council will deliberate amongst itself and with staff and/or applicant on potential action by the Council.

1. Public Hearing: 2020 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements Project
Stempski discussed the proposed scope and features of the 2020 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement Project and the timeline.

Public hearing opened at 8:07 p.m.

Paul Peters, 295 W 15th Street, expressed concerns about sidewalk changes and access to property.

Public hearing closed at 8:11 p.m.

Council discussion on rationale for street narrowing, speed on 15th Street, placement of bicycle traffic on 15th Street, parking around Pioneer Park, potential cross-walk changes, safety concerns near Pioneer Park, crosswalk markings, and potential removal of Ash trees.

2. Public Hearing: Proposed Ordinance Amendment – Chapter 112: Tobacco Regulations
Fluegel detailed the history of the proposed amendment to Chapter 112:

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Tobacco and discussed the proposed ordinance changes.

Public hearing opened at 8:28 p.m.

Alexis Bylander, Clearway MN spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Gail Conzemius, resident, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Mary Nehring, resident, spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Anna Grace Hottinger spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Public hearing closed at 8:37 p.m.

Council discussion on history of T21 ordinance development, legislative actions, recognition of all involved in process of ordinance creation.

X. REPORTS FROM CITY STAFF

These items are intended primarily for Council discussion and action. It is up to the discretion of the Mayor as to what, if any, public comment will be heard on these agenda items.

A. Public Works

1. Resolution **No. 03-04-20**: Order 2020 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvements and Authorize Advertisement for Bids

Vaughan, Braucks to approve as presented.

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B. Community Development

1. Resolution **No. 03-05-20**: Request to Change Non-Conforming Use - Haven Chemical Health (321 East 6th Street)

Fasbender explained that Haven Chemical Health has withdrawn their current application.

2. Presentation of 2019 Community Development Annual Report

Hinzman presented the 2019 Community Development Annual Report.

Council discussion on definition of manufactured home.

C. Public Safety

1. 2nd Reading/Adopt Ordinance No. 2020-01 Amendment – Chapter 112: Tobacco Regulations, Summary Resolution **No. 03-06-20**

Balsanek, Braucks to approve ordinance amendment as presented.

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Vaughan, Lund to approve summary publication as presented.

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2. COPS Grant

Wietecha discussed the application for the COPS Grant Hiring Program, timelines and potential funding source for an additional Police Officer.

Council discussion urging caution on use of grant funds to pay for long-term staffing, evaluation near end of grant to determine if position remains funded, measure of success of program with data, future needs as community grows.

Vaughan, Braucks to approve as presented.

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D. Administration

1. Chamber of Commerce Annual Update

Kristy Barse, Chamber President, discussed the Tourism Bureau Agreement and provided an update on the 2020 marketing plan and budget.

Council discussion on exposure at travel shows, ability to accept donations, ways to raise revenue, progress of tourism in last few years, presence at Mall of America, and fully capturing lodging tax revenue.

Lund, Braucks to approve as presented.

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2. Legislative Priorities

Wietecha discussed the City's legislative priorities and upcoming League of MN Cities Legislative Conference.

Council discussion on model League uses to set priorities, Council to be more pro-active, keep using League and Metro Cities to lobby on city's behalf.

3. Proclamation for Hastings Family Service

Council read the proclamation and Chris Koop talked about March events.

4. Approve Agreement with Ehlers Inc. for Utility Rate Study Review

Councilmember Lund discussed the history of the utility rate study, reasons for review, and highlighted WAC/SAC component.

Council discussion on proposal focus, how WAC/SAC fits into utility rate model, what WAC/SAC funds are used for, process for determining WAC/SAC fees, percentage of fees residents bear, need to advocate to Metropolitan Council for disparity in Hastings, business owner concerns and Metro Cities Committee.

Lund, Balsanek to approve as presented.

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XI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. REPORTS FROM CITY COMMITTEES, OFFICERS, COUNCILMEMBERS

- **Planning Commission will meet on Monday, March 9th at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Parks & Recreation Commission will meet on Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m.**
- **HEDRA will meet on Thursday, March 12th at 6:00 p.m.**
- **HEDRA/City Council joint workshop on Monday, March 16th at 5:30 p.m.**
- **Election Day is tomorrow, Tuesday, March 3rd. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

- **Alternative Spring Break for 5th – 8th grade students will be held Tuesday, March 17 – Thursday, March 19th.**
- **Councilmember Folch requested when staff receives an invitation to advocate for issues from State/Federal representatives this be passed onto Councilmembers.**
- **Councilmember Folch discussed the 2020 Census and that an invitation to respond will be sent to residents shortly and the importance of being counted.**

XIV. ADJOURNMENT 10:08 p.m.

Next Regular City Council Meeting: Monday, March 16, 2020 7:00 p.m.