Hastings, Minnesota City Council Meeting Minutes November 7, 2022

The City Council of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Monday, November 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Hastings City Hall, 101 East 4th Street, Hastings, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Fasbender, Councilmembers Braucks, Folch, Fox, Leifeld, and Vaughan

Members Absent: Councilmember Lund

Staff Present: City Administrator Dan Wietecha Assistant City Administrator Kelly Murtaugh City Attorney Korine Land Community Development Director John Hinzman

Certificate of Appreciation – Planning Commissioner Kyle Romens.

MNDOT Hwy 316 Project Wrap-Up, Bryant Ficek

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Fasbender asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on October 17, 2022.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

Councilmember Folch motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Councilmember Fox.

6 Ayes, 0 Nays

- 1. Pay Bills as Audited
- 2. Resolution No. 11-01-22: Accept Donation to the Parks and Recreation Department from Hastings Area Businesses and Individuals
- 3. Resolution No. 11-02-22: Accept Donation to City Arts Task Force from Area Businesses
- 4. Authorize Signature: Dakota County Community Waste Abatement Grant Program
- 5. Authorize Signature: Agreement for Professional Services Guardian Inspections
- 6. Authorize Signature: Agreement for Professional Services Stensland Inspections
- Resolution No. 11-03-22 and No. 11-04-22: Extend Preliminary and Final Plat Approval Siewert Apartments (3rd & Tyler)
- 8. Approve Pay Estimate No. 3 for the 4th Street Water Tower Reconditioning Project G&L Sandblasting and Coatings, LLC (\$88,112.50)
- 9. Approve Assessment Abatement for 2022 Neighborhood Infrastructure Improvement Project
- 10. Approve Traffic and Lighting Infrastructure Maintenance Agreement Between the Cities of Saint Paul and Hastings
- 11. Declare Surplus Property and Authorize Sale: Public Works Department
- 12. Resolution No. 11-05-22: Approve Hastings Social, LLC dba Hastings Tavern & Alley Cat Liquor Outdoor Tent Event with Liquor License Amendment

13. Public Works Director

Intek Plastics – 1000 Spiral Blvd. – Public Hearing: Business Subsidy for Sale of Land & Resolution No. 11-05-22: Approving Sale of Property, Purchase Agreement, and Business Subsidy Agreement.

Hinzman provided an overview of the request to approve sale of property and related Purchase Agreement and Business Subsidy Agreements for the sale of land to Intek Plastics in support of their 60,200-sf building expansion. The 3.1-acre parcel is generally located west of Enterprise Avenue between Cranky Ape and the Water Tower (PID 19-32002-01-021).

Mayor Fasbender opened the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

Mayor Fasbender closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m.

No Council discussion.

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

Foth: Commercial Recycling Study

Wietecha provided an overview of the request. Council is asked to approve the Master Agreement and Project Agreement for Services with Foth Infrastructure & Environment to conduct the 2022-2023 Commercial Waste Characterization Study. Approval would be subject to minor changes prior to final signature. Wietecha explained the City has received an incentive/grant from Dakota County.

Council discussion on the excitement of the study. Folch shared her support for the study and the importance to track our progress into the future. Folch shared she was hoping there would be a stronger emphasis on organics composting.

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

Resolution: No. 11-08-22 Site Plan – Therapy OPS (1312 South Frontage Road)

Hinzman shared an overview of the request to adopt a resolution to approve the Site Plan request to construct a commercial therapy building for Therapy OPS. Therapy OPS provides occupational, physical, and speech therapy services.

No Council discussion.

Councilmember Leifeld motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Councilmember Fox. 6 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Fire Relief Association: Resolution No. 11-07-22 Opting to Join the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Plan

Wietecha provided an overview of the request to approve the Resolution Opting to Join the Statewide Volunteer Firefighter Plan and set the benefit level at \$11,000 per year of service. Wietecha reviewed the discussion by the Finance Committee and the calculation behind their benefit level recommendation.

Council discussion on the request received by the Finance Committee of Council. Councilmember Folch shared the changes that were discussed and hoping these changes strengthen and help development of the Fire Department. Councilmember Vaughan shared the importance of these discussions and the vitality of the department to the community. Councilmember Braucks asked for clarification on who the guarantor is with these changes. Councilmember Vaughan clarified the City is the guarantor.

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

Announcements

- City Offices will be closed Friday, November 11 in recognition of Veterans Day.
- If you're looking at ways to give back to the community this holiday season, the Hastings Police Department is now a drop site for the 75th Anniversary Toys for Tots campaign. Through December 18, during regular business hours, the Police Department will be collecting brand new, unwrapped toys (such as books, board games, arts and craft projects) as gifts for children all over the Twin Cities.
- One Pill Can Kill The Fentanyl Crisis series at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. See the United Way website for details.
- Representative Tony Jurgens is hosting a community forum on homelessness to be livestreamed by HCTV on November 16.
- Tuesday, November 8 is Election Day.

Meetings

- Arts Task Force Meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- HEDRA on Thursday, November 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- Planning Commission Meeting on Monday, November 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- Heritage Preservation Commission on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- Public Safety Advisory Commission Meeting on Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
- City Council Regular Meeting on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Councilmember Leifeld motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM, seconded by Councilmember Braucks. Ayes 7; Nays 0.

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