

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
City Council Workshop
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

AGENDA
December 16, 2020
6:30 P.M.

NOTE: THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD BY WEB CONFERENCE

- A. CALL TO ORDER:
- B. ROLL CALL: ANDREWS ___ GUSTAFSON ___ LEEHY ___
 MIAZGA ___ WEHYEE ___

 STAFF PRESENT: THONGVANH ___
- C. PRESENTATIONS:
- D. POLICY ITEMS:
 - 1. Amber Union – TIF Request
 - 2. Police Services
 - 3. Honorary Street Naming
- E. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- F. ADJOURNMENT:

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Meeting Date	December 16, 2020
Agenda Item	Policy D1
Attachments	Yes
Submitted By	Eric Zweber, AICP, Interim Community Development Coordinator

Item	Discussion of Potential TIF for Amber Union
Description	<p><u>Summary of Request</u></p> <p>On June 24, 2020, the City had submitted an Application of Bonding Authority for Residential Rental Projects on behalf of Buhl GTA, LP for 100 percent low income housing tax credits (LIHTC) to assist in financing the re-development of the former TIES buildings into the Amber Union mixed-use development which is predominately multi-family residential with a small amount of retail. Buhl did not receive funding for this application, likely due to the number of other projects within the State that had applied for LIHTC funding in 2020. To qualify for the 100 percent LIHTC funding, either 20 percent of the units would have to be affordable at 50 percent of the area median income (AMI) or 40 percent of the units would have to be affordable at 60 percent AMI. Buhl was not asking for tax increment financing (TIF) for the 100 percent LIHTC funded project.</p> <p>Applications typically have a greater chance for funding if they contain a greater level of affordability than the other applications. Buhl is planning on submitting an application for all units to be affordable at 50 percent AMI on January 4, 2021 instead of another application for 100 percent LIHTC. Buhl has stated that due to the reduced rental income received from a 50 percent AMI project, they would need to request assistance from the City through the of creation a Housing TIF district.</p> <p>The TIF district will not be set up at this time, but it is expected that the State of Minnesota will inform Buhl if their application at 50 percent AMI is selected on January 12, 2021. If Buhl receives State funding, it is expected that Buhl will apply to the City for the creation of the TIF district before April 1, 2021.</p> <p><u>Previous City Actions</u></p> <p>The City Council has been working Buhl since the early 2019 on the conversion of the former TIES office buildings. Below is a table of the previous City Council actions and approvals for the Amber Union project.</p>

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
	May 22, 2019	Preliminary Approval to Issuance of Housing Facility Revenue Bonds
	June 12, 2019	Rezoning from B-3 to PUD for 106 Units with Retail
	October 23, 2019	PUD Amendment to Increase to 128 Units and Retail
	October 23, 2019	Authorize Grant Applications
	November 13, 2019	Proposal for a Housing finance Program and the Issuance of Multi-Family Housing Revenue Bonds
	November 13, 2019	Authorization of DEED Grant Application
	April 22, 2020	Accept DEED Grant for \$155,774
	<p>How TIF Works: Basic Mechanics https://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/hrd/issinfo/tif/mech.aspx</p> <p>LMC: Tax Increment Financing (TIF) pg. 16 https://www.lmc.org/wp-content/uploads/documents/Community-Development-and-Redevelopment.pdf</p>	
Budget Impact	The City will continue to collect the base taxes on the property, while providing the Developer the tax increment as the valuation increases from improvements to the property.	
Attachments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Resolution • Preliminary TIF Analysis 	
Action(s) Requested	Staff is looking for direction on how to proceed with the request.	

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS, MINNESOTA

HELD: December 23, 2020

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a meeting of the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Ramsey County, Minnesota, was duly called and held at the City Hall in said City on the 23rd day of December, 2020, at 7:00 o'clock p.m.

The following members were present:

and the following were absent:

Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE PROCESS FOR THE CREATION OF
A HOUSING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT AND IN SUPPORT
OF A PROPOSED 125 UNIT MULTIFAMILY RENTAL HOUSING PROJECT.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council (the "Council") of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota (the "City"), as follows:

WHEREAS, the City is a political subdivision duly organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Minnesota, particularly Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.174 through 469.1799, as amended, the City is authorized to use tax increment financing to carry out the public purposes described therein and contemplated thereby; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made by the Buhl GTA, LP (the "Owner") to construct a 125 unit apartment building in the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota, which project is to be known as the Amber Union Apartments (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project will be located on land that is currently owned by the Owner and the Owner has submitted its development proposal to the City for the construction of the Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota the City, pending final determination of project eligibility, required reviews, public input, notices and hearings, and without surrendering its legislative discretion, hereby authorizes City staff to proceed with the steps required to establish a tax increment financing district, including the preparation of a development program and a tax increment financing plan; and

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Council member _____, and upon a vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.



DRAFT Schedule of Events

City of Falcon Heights, Ramsey County, Minnesota

For the proposed modification to the Development Program for Development District No. 1 and the proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-4 (a housing district)

- January 25, 2021 Project information, property identification numbers, fiscal impacts and maps sent to Ehlers for drafting documentation. Ehlers confirms whether building permits have been issued on the property to be included in the TIF District.
- January 27, 2021 City Council considers a resolution calling for a public hearing on the proposed modification to the Development Program for Development District No. 1 and the proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-4.
- January 29, 2021 Letter received by County Commissioner giving notice of proposed housing TIF District (at least 30 days prior to publication of public hearing notice). *[Ehlers will distribute.]*
- By February 3, 2021 Ehlers conducts internal review of Program and Plan.
- February 8, 2021 Fiscal/economic implications received by School Board Clerk and County Auditor (at least 30 days prior to public hearing) and County receives information for review of county road impacts. *[Ehlers will distribute.]*
- *The County Board, by law, has 45 days to review the TIF Plan to determine if any county roads will be impacted by the development. Because City staff believes that the proposed TIF District will not require unplanned county road improvements, the TIF Plan was not forwarded to the County Board 45 days prior to the public hearing. Please be aware the County Board could claim that tax increment should be used for county roads, even after the public hearing.
- February 23, 2021 Planning Commission meets at 7:00 p.m. to review Program and Plan and consider a resolution affirming the Program and Plan conform to the general plans for development and redevelopment of the City as a whole. *[Attorney provides resolution by February 17, 2021.]*
- February 28, 2021 Publication of hearing notice and map in *the Pioneer Press* (at least 10 days but not more than 30 days prior to hearing). *[Ehlers will submit notice, map and instructions. Publication deadline: February 26, 2021.]*
- March 10, 2021 City Council holds public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on the proposed modification to the Development Program for Municipal Development District No. 1 and the proposed establishment of Tax Increment Financing District No. 1-4 and considers a resolution approving the Program and Plan and an interfund loan in connection with the TIF District. *[Ehlers and attorney provide packet information March 3, 2021.]*
- March 11, 2021 City may issue building permits.
- Before June 30, 2021 Ehlers files the Program and Plan with the MN Department of Revenue, Office of the State Auditor, and requests certification of the TIF District with the County.

An action under subdivision 1, paragraph (a), contesting the validity of a determination by an authority under section 469.175, subdivision 3, must be commenced within the later of:

- (1) 180 days after the municipality's approval under section 469.175, subdivision 3; or
- (2) 90 days after the request for certification of the district is filed with the county auditor under section 469.177, subdivision 1.



Amber Union Apartments Multifamily Housing Development - Buhl GTA, LP
 City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota (Historic TIES Building)

Proposed Renovation of Existing Office Building to 125-Unit Market-Rate Affordable Apartments (100% at 50% AMI Residential Rental Project)

ASSUMPTIONS AND RATES

DistrictType:	Housing
District Name/Number:	TBD
County District #:	TBD
First Year Construction or Inflation on Value	2021
Existing District - Specify No. Years Remaining	NA
Inflation Rate - Every Year:	0.00%
Interest Rate:	4.50%
Present Value Date:	1-Aug-22
First Period Ending	1-Feb-23
Tax Year District was Certified:	Pay 2021
Cashflow Assumes First Tax Increment For Development:	2023
Years of Tax Increment	26
Assumes Last Year of Tax Increment	2048
Fiscal Disparities Election [Outside (A), Inside (B), or NA]	Inside(B)
Incremental or Total Fiscal Disparities	Incremental
Fiscal Disparities Contribution Ratio	28.9038% Pay 2021 est.
Fiscal Disparities Metro-Wide Tax Rate	139.5040% Pay 2021 est.
Maximum/Frozen Local Tax Rate:	125.428% Pay 2021 est.
Current Local Tax Rate: (Use lesser of Current or Max.)	125.428% Pay 2021 est.
State-wide Tax Rate (Comm./Ind. only used for total taxes)	36.0000% Pay 2021 est.
Market Value Tax Rate (Used for total taxes)	0.16867% Pay 2021 est.

Tax Rates

Exempt Class Rate (Exempt)	0.00%
Commercial Industrial Preferred Class Rate (C/I Pref.)	
First \$150,000	1.50%
Over \$150,000	2.00%
Commercial Industrial Class Rate (C/I)	2.00%
Rental Housing Class Rate (Rental)	1.25%
Affordable Rental Housing Class Rate (Aff. Rental)	
First \$174,000	0.75%
Over \$174,000	0.25%
Non-Homestead Residential (Non-H Res. 1 Unit)	
First \$500,000	1.00%
Over \$500,000	1.25%
Homestead Residential Class Rate (Hmstd. Res.)	
First \$500,000	1.00%
Over \$500,000	1.25%
Agricultural Non-Homestead	1.00%

BASE VALUE INFORMATION (Original Tax Capacity)

Map ID	PID	Owner	Address	Land Market Value	Building Market Value	Total Market Value	Percentage Of Value Used for District	Original Market Value	Tax Year Original Market Value	Property Tax Class	Current Original Tax Capacity	Class After Conversion	After Conversion Orig. Tax Cap.	Area/Phase
1	212923110030	BUHL GTA LP	1667 N Snelling Ave	1,951,800	1,425,200	3,377,000	100%	3,377,000	Pay 2021	Rental	42,213	Rental	42,213	1
				1,951,800	1,425,200	3,377,000		3,377,000			42,213		42,213	

Note:

1. Base values are for pay 2021 based upon review of County Assessor letter to Developer on May 20, 2020 and County website on December 10, 2020.
2. Located in ISD #623 and Capital Region Watershed District.



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PROJECT INFORMATION (Project Tax Capacity)													
Area/Phase	New Use	Estimated Market Value Per Sq. Ft./Unit	Taxable Market Value Per Sq. Ft./Unit	Total Sq. Ft./Units	Total Taxable Market Value	Property Tax Class	Project Tax Capacity	Project Tax Capacity/Unit	Percentage Completed 2021	Percentage Completed 2022	Percentage Completed 2023	Percentage Completed 2024	First Year Full Taxes Payable
1	Apartments	179,200	179,200	125	22,400,000	Rental	280,000	2,240	100%	100%	100%	100%	2023
TOTAL					22,400,000		280,000						
Subtotal Residential				125	22,400,000		280,000						
Subtotal Commercial/Ind.				0	0		0						

Note:

1. Market values are based upon estimates from Developer's appraiser. Must be confirmed by County Assessor.

TAX CALCULATIONS									
New Use	Total Tax Capacity	Fiscal Disparities Tax Capacity	Local Tax Capacity	Local Property Taxes	Fiscal Disparities Taxes	State-wide Property Taxes	Market Value Taxes	Total Taxes	Taxes Per Sq. Ft./Unit
Apartments	280,000	0	280,000	351,198	0	0	37,782	388,980	3,111.84
TOTAL	280,000	0	280,000	351,198	0	0	37,782	388,980	

Note:

1. Taxes and tax increment will vary significantly from year to year depending upon values, rates, state law, fiscal disparities and other factors which cannot be predicted.

WHAT IS EXCLUDED FROM TIF?	
Total Property Taxes	388,980
less State-wide Taxes	0
less Fiscal Disp. Adj.	0
less Market Value Taxes	(37,782)
less Base Value Taxes	(52,946)
Annual Gross TIF	298,252



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TAX INCREMENT CASH FLOW														
% of OTC	Project Tax Capacity	Original Tax Capacity	Fiscal Disparities Incremental	Captured Tax Capacity	Local Tax Rate	Annual Gross Tax Increment	Semi-Annual Gross Tax Increment	State Auditor 0.36%	Admin. at 10%	Semi-Annual Net Tax Increment	Semi-Annual Present Value	PERIOD ENDING Yrs.	Tax Year	Payment Date
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	127,910	0.5	2023	02/01/23
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	253,005	1	2023	02/01/24
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	375,347	1.5	2024	08/01/24
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	494,997	2	2024	02/01/25
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	612,014	2.5	2025	08/01/25
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	726,456	3	2025	02/01/26
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	838,380	3.5	2026	08/01/26
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	947,842	4	2026	02/01/27
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,054,894	4.5	2027	08/01/27
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,159,591	5	2027	02/01/28
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,261,984	5.5	2028	08/01/28
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,362,123	6	2028	02/01/29
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,460,060	6.5	2029	08/01/29
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,555,841	7	2029	02/01/30
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,649,514	7.5	2030	08/01/30
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,741,127	8	2030	02/01/31
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,830,723	8.5	2031	08/01/31
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	1,918,348	9	2031	02/01/32
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,004,044	9.5	2032	08/01/32
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,087,855	10	2032	02/01/33
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,169,822	10.5	2033	08/01/33
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,249,984	11	2033	02/01/34
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,328,383	11.5	2034	08/01/34
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,405,057	12	2034	02/01/35
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,480,044	12.5	2035	08/01/35
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,553,380	13	2035	02/01/36
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,625,103	13.5	2036	08/01/36
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,695,247	14	2036	02/01/37
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,763,848	14.5	2037	08/01/37
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,830,940	15	2037	02/01/38
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,896,555	15.5	2038	08/01/38
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	2,960,726	16	2038	02/01/39
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,023,485	16.5	2039	08/01/39
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,084,863	17	2039	02/01/40
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,144,891	17.5	2040	08/01/40
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,203,598	18	2040	02/01/41
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,261,012	18.5	2041	08/01/41
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,317,164	19	2041	02/01/42
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,372,079	19.5	2042	08/01/42
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,425,787	20	2042	02/01/43
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,478,312	20.5	2043	08/01/43
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,529,682	21	2043	02/01/44
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,579,921	21.5	2044	08/01/44
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,629,055	22	2044	02/01/45
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,677,108	22.5	2045	08/01/45
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,724,103	23	2045	02/01/46
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,770,064	23.5	2046	08/01/46
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,815,014	24	2046	02/01/47
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,858,975	24.5	2047	08/01/47
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,901,968	25	2047	02/01/48
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,944,015	25.5	2048	08/01/48
100%	280,000	(42,213)	-	237,788	125.428%	298,252	149,126	(537)	(14,859)	133,730	3,985,137	26	2048	02/01/49
Total							7,754,555	(27,916)	(772,664)	6,953,975				
							Present Value From 08/01/2022	Present Value Rate	4.50%	4,443,928	(15,998)	(442,793)	3,985,137	

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Meeting Date	December 16, 2020
Agenda Item	Policy D2
Attachment	N/A
Submitted By	Sack Thongvanh, City Administrator

Item	Police Services
Description	The City received a formal request from Council Member Miazga with the support of Council Member Wehyee to explore other policing options that may include request from surrounding communities.
Budget Impact	This will depend on the outcome of the decision made by the City Council.
Attachment(s)	N/A
Action(s) Requested	Staff is looking for direction on how to proceed with this request.



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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Meeting Date	December 16, 2020
Agenda Item	Policy D3
Attachment	Sample Signage
Submitted By	Melanie Leehy, Council Member

Item	Honorary naming of Larpenteur Avenue as Philando Castile Memorial Avenue
Description	<p>The following input and research has been conducted which brings the City Council of Falcon Heights to have the capability of honoring a request by Philando Castile’s family, the Philando Castile Relief Foundation, and the broader community. The request is to make a portion of Larpenteur Avenue West “Philando Castile Memorial Avenue”.</p> <p>(A) As a member of the Philando Castile Peace Garden Committee I, Melanie Leehy, know that this petition is a reoccurring conversation and desire for Philando’s mother Valerie Castile along with the other Committee Members. I first learned of this desire in July 2017 during the Philando Castile Commemoration events of which I was the lead community volunteer. Based upon my research, I would like to submit for Larpenteur Avenue West to carry the honorary name of Philando Castile Memorial Avenue from Fulham Street to Fry Street.</p> <p>(B) The Philando Castile Relief Foundation started a petition to Ramsey County and 10 other “decision makers” via www.Change.org that reads as follows: “Please sign the petition to name Larpenteur Ave Philando Castile’s Memorial Ave! On July 6th 2016 Philando Castile was killed by a police officer, followed 2 miles from highway 280 to Larpentuer & Fry Ave then being fatally shot five times after being stopped for a broken tail light. After the death of Philando many community members poured out their love and support by creating a memorial space on Larpenteur for Philando and we feel it would be helpful to our healing by dedicating the street he died on in the state he loved by renaming the intersection Philando Castile’s Memorial Ave. Philando was a humanitarian who loved his community, he worked for the Saint Paul school district for over 11 years , he served lunch to over 500 students who he loved and adored.”</p> <p>(1) There are at least 20,444 signatures to the petition.</p> <p>(C) Our Ramsey County Commissioner, Trista MatasCastillo did the necessary process at the County level to make this street naming feasible.</p> <p>(1) The County grants authority to cities for street naming: “Cities have the authority for street names. That is what you sometimes see a border road between two cities have two different names (i.e TH 120 / East County Line / Century Ave / Division St / Geneva Ave).”</p>

	<p>(D) Before proceeding forward I asked Commissioner MatasCastillo to help me confirm our city’s authority so that we do not run into legal constraints along the way. Public Works Director and County Engineer, Ted Schoenecker verified this authority with the County’s attorney.</p> <p>(1) On December 7, 2020 Ted provided this summary of some information around this topic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cities have the statutory authority for naming all streets within their city boundaries. This is why you could see the street name change as you go from one city to the next. An example is Trunk Highway 120 (border between Ramsey and Washington County) is named Century Ave, Geneva Ave and Division St based on each city’s designation. • Ramsey County developed a Countywide Facility and Site Naming policy in 2019. Within that policy, this authority for cities to name streets is identified so we were aware of this prior to preparing the policy and made sure that it was highlighted in it. • We could not find any statutory guidance/direction on who has the authority for the placement of an honorary street name in conjunction with the street’s official name. • Cities own, maintain and install the street name blades that are at the intersections on county roads. These are the signs that have white lettering on a green background to designate the street names that you will see placed on one of the corners of an intersection. • We are aware of several locations in St Paul where honorary street name signs have been placed in addition to the official street name sign. More specifically, these signs existed along Dale St in the Rondo Area and we are reinstalling them after the reconstruction project at Dale/94 (an example is attached). These were originally installed by St Paul and are owned and maintained by them. These honorary street name signs are typically black lettering on a white background so they are no confused with the official name of the street. <p>Based on the above information, a review of the county policy finds that it would not apply to a city applying an honorary street name on Larpenteur Avenue as it is typically up to cities for placing of honorary street name signs along county roads. Similar to the actual street name sign, the cities would be fully responsible for these honorary street name signs within their city. If Falcon Heights chooses to move ahead and place an honorary street name sign on Larpenteur Ave, please let us know for our awareness.”</p>
Budget Impact	Research needed for cost of signage and staff labor.
Attachment(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sample honorary street name sign
Action(s) Requested	Seeking Council consensus to proceed with the honorary naming of Larpenteur Avenue from Fulham Street to Fry Street.

CENTRAL AVE 620 W
REV DR. JAMES W BATTLE SR AVE
DALE ST 390 W
MR & MRS TIGER JACK

