CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS

Regular Meeting of the City Council
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue
MINUTES
January 26, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM
- B. ROLL CALL: ANDREWS X GUSTAFSON X LEEHY X

MEYER _X__ WEHYEE_X_

STAFF PRESENT: THONGVANH_X_

- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- D. PRESENTATION
 - 1. Ramsey County Commissioner Trista MastaCastillo

County Commissioner MastaCastillo and the Council discussed Ramsey County initiatives, programs and updates.

- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - 1. January 5, 2022 City Council Workshop Minutes
 - 2. January 12, 2022 City Council Regular Minutes

Motion by Council Member Andrews to approve the meeting minutes. Approved, 5-0.

- F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
- G. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - 1. General Disbursements through: 1/15/22 \$79,579.28 Payroll through: 1/15/21 \$19,469.05
 - 2. Approve City License(s)
 - 3. City Attorney Fee Adjustment
 - 4. Assistant to the City Administrator Pay Adjustment
 - 5. Interim City Administrator

Administrator Thongvanh clarified that Vandara Thammavongsa was receiving a pay adjustment per Item 4, and that Tim Pittman was being recommended for the role of Interim City Administrator. This would require a pay adjustment which would be similar to when Pittman filled in as Interim Administrator in the past.

Council Member Wehyee asked if Pittman was being recommended because the City was unable to secure an Interim Administrator from the League of Minnesota Cities (LMC).

Administrator Thongvanh agreed. They had anticipated working with a retired administrator through the LMC but some issues with PERA arose and appointing Pittman worked better with timeline we had.

Motion by Council Member Leehy to approve the Consent Agenda. Approved; 5-0.

H: POLICY ITEMS:

I. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

All council members thanked Administrator Thongvanh for his service and wished him well in future endeavors.

Council Member Wehyee stated that the Planning Commission met this month and welcomed a few new commission members. There is also an open vacancy and he encouraged community members to apply.

Administrator Thongvanh gave a brief overview of the hiring process/timeline for the new administrator. Staff conducted the first round of interviews today. The community panel interviews will take place tomorrow.

He also thanked the council members, staff, and residents for being welcoming and providing this opportunity.

J. COMMUNITY FORUM:

Please limit comments to 3 minutes per person. Items brought before the Council will be referred for consideration. Council may ask questions for clarification, but no council action or discussion will be held on these items.

Tony Fisher, former council member, thanked Thongvanh for his community leadership and guidance over the past seven years.

Pamela Harris, former council member, stated that Thongvanh had graciously addressed numerous challenges through his employment with the City. She commended many of his professional traits and his communication style.

K. ADJOURNMENT: 8:07 PM

Randall C. Gustafson, Mayor

Dated this 23rd day of February, 2022

Tim Pittman, Interim City Administrator