

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
Regular Meeting of the City Council
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue
MINUTES
April 13, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:08 PM

B. ROLL CALL: ANDREWS X GUSTAFSON X LEEHY
MEYER X WEHYEE X

STAFF PRESENT: PITTMAN X FREIHAMMER X

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Council Member Meyer to amend the agenda to include Policy Item H1 Letter of Support for Pedestrian Improvements;
Approved, 4-0.

D. PRESENTATION

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. March 23, 2022 City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Council Member Wehyee to approve the meeting minutes;
Approved, 4-0.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

G. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. General Disbursements through: 4/6/22 \$94,643.72
Payroll through: 3/31/22 \$16,934.03
Wire Payments through: 3/31/22 \$22,188.15
2. Community Development Coordinator/Planner Pay Adjustment
3. Approve Payment for the 2021 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project
4. Approve Minnesota Department of Transportation Master Partnership Contract
5. Approve Proposal for Geotechnical Evaluation for the 2023 Pavement Management Project
6. Approve Cooperative Agreement with Ramsey County for ROW Acquisition for Cleveland Avenue
7. Approve Animal Services Contract
8. Rename Resolution 22-08 Reestablishing Precincts and Polling Places
9. Resignation of Ryan Carlson from the Parks and Recreation Commission

Motion by Council Member Meyer to approve the Consent Agenda;
Approved 4-0.

H: POLICY ITEMS:

1. Letter of Support for Pedestrian Improvements

City Engineer Freihammer explained that the City had recently received a request from the City of Saint Paul to provide a letter of support for the regional solicitation application for improvements near the intersection of Hamline and Hoyt. If successful the project will be done in 2026. If awarded, federal grant funds will be used to cover 80% of the project cost.

Meyer inquired why the start date was in 2026.

Freihammer responded that requesting federal funds takes time and therefore you typically need to apply early. The cities could start construction sooner but then wouldn't receive full funding.

Wehyee inquired on whether there would be a hearing to provide more information to the public.

Freihammer responded that the City would need to discuss and approve the plans before work can start.

Meyer inquired on whether there were any future street improvement plans that could conflict with this project.

Freihammer responded that this was unlikely as the proposed project consisted of minor geometric changes to the intersection.

Wehyee confirmed there would be no assessments for property owners.

Freihammer confirmed it would be very unlikely due to the nature of the project.

Motion by Council Member Wehyee to approve the letter of support;
Approved, 4-0.

I. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Meyer reported that the Environment Commission met recently and had an active discussion about the climate action plan and the comprehensive plan. They will continue to meet in subcommittees to discuss and he hoped to bring it back to council in the next month or two.

Andrews reported that the Parks and Recreation Commission had been exploring alternative methods of enhancing the existing summer programming.

Gustafson reported that Community Engagement Commission will meet next week and planned to finalize details for the Spring Together event. He also noted that staff was struggling to hire a Summer Program Coordinator.

Pittman reported that Xcel Energy would start work on Tatum and Lindig Street on Monday, April 18th. Public Works had also begun spring street sweeping.

J. COMMUNITY FORUM:

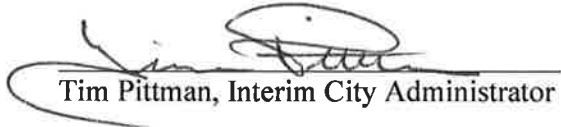
Please limit comments to 3 minutes per person. Items brought before the Council will be referred for consideration. Council may ask questions for clarification, but no council action or discussion will be held on these items.

K. ADJOURNMENT: 7:38 PM



Randall C. Gustafson, Mayor

Dated this 27th day of April, 2022



Tim Pittman, Interim City Administrator