

CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
Regular Meeting of the City Council
City Hall
2077 West Larpenteur Avenue

MINUTES
November 13, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER: 7:01 PM

B. ROLL CALL: GUSTAFSON_X_ LEEHY_X_ MEYER_X_
WASSENBERG_X_ MIELKE_X_

STAFF PRESENT: LINEHAN_X_

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilmember Leehy motions to approve the agenda;
Approved 5-0

D. CLOSED SESSION

1. This meeting may be closed pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b) for a confidential attorney-client privileged discussion regarding settlement of potential claims against the Surety, Granite Re, Inc, under the performance bond.

Councilmember Meyer motions to close the meeting;
Approved 5-0

Mayor Gustafson motions to amend consent agenda item 3 to read approval of Settlement, Project FH-21-02 – Falcon Heights 2021 Pavement Management Project, Performance Bond Dispute, Bond No. GRMN44728A;
Approved 5-0

E. PRESENTATION

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. October 2, 2024 City Council Workshop Minutes

Councilmember Wassenberg motions to approve the minutes;
Approved 5-0

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

H. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. General Disbursements through 11/6/24: \$408,579.81
 - a. Payroll through 10/31/24: \$26,539.92
 - b. Wire Payments through 10/31/24: \$16,590.17
2. Approval of City Licenses
3. ~~Consideration~~ Approval of Settlement, Project FH-21-02 – Falcon Heights 2021 Pavement Management Project, Performance Bond Dispute, Bond No. GRMN44728A
4. 2025 PMP Geotechnical Work

5. Authorization of a 2024 General Fund Budget Amendment to Increase the Police Services Line Item by \$88,000
6. 2024 Budget Transfer of \$25,000 from Fund 204 (Water) to Fund 403 (Parks Capital)
7. Authorization of Intent to Purchase John Deere 1585 Terrain Cut Tractor and Implements and Surplus City's 2013 John Deere 1585
8. 2025 Ramsey County Select Committee on Recycling & the Environment (SCORE) Grant Submittal and Enter into Agreement with Ramsey County for Funding
9. Authorization to Apply for the Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program for City Hall Solar Panels
10. Authorization to Repair Plow Trucks for up to \$12,000

Councilmember Meyer motions to approve the consent agenda;
Approved 5-0

I. POLICY ITEMS:

1. Adoption of the Larpenteur & Snelling Corridor Development Plan

Community Development Coordinator Lynch explains in the 2040 Comprehensive Plan, a more in-depth study of the Larpenteur and Snelling is recommended. A Larpenteur & Snelling Corridor Development Study kicked off last year in collaboration with WSB. It looked at the entire length of the two streets including all properties adjacent to it. Through public engagement, feedback was collected about the area and what residents and business owners liked and disliked. As part of the study, four main areas were identified for development concepts. Lynch points out that while residents have expressed their concern about traffic and safety along the corridor, the study was paid for by a Ramsey County grant with the condition that it would not be used to study traffic. The County has future traffic and safety plans for this corridor.

Gustafson and Wassenberg thank everyone involved in the study, it gives direction for the future of the corridor.

Councilmember Meyer motions to approve Resolution 24-66 – Adopting the City of Falcon Heights Snelling and Larpenteur Corridor Development Plan;
Approved 5-0

2. Authorization for a Contract Amendment Extending the Agreement for Law Enforcement Services with the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office for the Period of January 1, 2025 to February 28, 2025

Linehan explains that this is an amendment to the existing contract, allowing RCSO to provide services until the end of February to help the city transition to the St. Anthony Police Department.

Councilmember Wassenberg Motions to Approve Resolution 24-67 Amending the Service Agreement for Law Enforcement Services With The Ramsey County Sheriff's Office;
Approved 5-0

J. INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Wassenberg notes the Parks Commission met on November 4, where they recapped the Fall fest and discussed goals.

Leehy and Gustafson thank everyone for participating in the 75th anniversary celebration, Fall Fest, and the video that was created. She also extends her gratitude to all veterans.

Meyer and Leehy thank Mielke for her contribution to the 75th anniversary celebration.

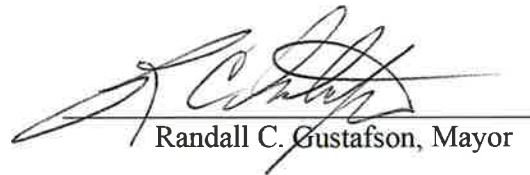
Linehan echoes the sentiments of how great the week of the City's 75th celebration was, and thanks Council Member Mielke and resident Rice' Davis for their work. The State Fair Task Force is determining when to meet next. Staff is busy working on license renewals and inspections. They will also be mailing out letters to properties identified with a racial covenant and are working with Just Deeds on an administrative removal process. It will take place on Tuesday, December 10 when the city will recognize International Human Rights Day. Public Works is getting ready for snowplowing season. They have been out street sweeping as well and will continue to until the first snowfall.

K. 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.

L. ADJOURNMENT: 7:48 PM

Councilmember Leehy motions to adjourn;
Approved 5-0



Randall C. Gustafson, Mayor

Dated this 23rd day of December, 2024



Jack Linehan, City Administrator