2016 Planning Department Work PlanPrepared by the Lake Elmo Planning Commission: 4/25/16
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Key

Status	C – Complete
	IP – In Progress
Completion	A – 0 to 3 months
Goal (CG)	B – 3 to 6 months
	C – 6 to 9 months
	D – 9 to 12 months
PL	Priority Level (1-5 with 1 being the highest priority)

Project and Description		PL	Status		
ZONING INITIATIVES					
Zoning Map Updates					
 Update Zoning Map to change Village parcels to VMX consistent with the Comprehensive Plan 	В	2			
 Implement zoning map changes for specific developments in the Village and I-94 Corridor. 	В	2			
Zoning Text Amendments (Zoning Code Update)		•	-		
Codify Zoning Ordinance	D	1			
General performance standards	В	1			
Specific development standards	C	4			
Public Facilities ordinance amendments	В	1			
Tree Preservation Ordinance perfecting amendments	С	3			
Home Occupation Ordinance	В	2			
Amend LDR Setback Requirements	Α	1			
Landscape Ordinance Amendment	D	5			
Outdoor Lighting Ordinance Revisions	D	3			
 Outdoor Wood Burning Furnaces 	D	5			
Revise contractor work hours ordinance	С	3	IP		
Wireless Communications Ordinance for Microcell technology	D	4			
Hunting Ordinance (City Attorney)			IP		
Platting for Minor Subdivisions	D	5			
Create new zoning district for Washington County Landfill consistent with the MPCA		5			
Form-based Code					

 Prepare a scope of work to be accomplished including the need for outside assistance 		1	
Draft a form-based code to supplement the Village Mixed-Use zoning district based on the scope of work	С	2	
Incorporate design standards from the Design Standards Manual as part of a form-based code		2	
Shoreland Ordinance Update			
Obtain DNR approval of revised Shoreland Ordinance	В	1	ΙP
Adopt final version of Shoreland Ordinance based on DNR approval		1	
Subdivision Ordinance			
 Prepare update to incorporate updated engineering standards and to revise submission requirements 	D	4	
Airport Zoning			
 Resolve zoning conflicts with the Metropolitan Airports Commission, Met Council, MnDOT, and Washington County 	D	1	IP
 Implement City airport zoning regulations for the airport safety zones within the Village Planning Area 	D 2		
PLANNING INITIATIVES			
Village Area Planning			
Submit application for new Village Parkway railroad crossing	В	2	ΙP
Update Village AUAR	В	1	
General Comprehensive Planning			
Review Waste Water chapter of Comprehensive Plan in	D	3	
conjunction with rural areas review			
RFP for Comprehensive Planning Services	В	2	
 Plan for possible density reductions and reguiding land use in the Village and I-94 area to address changes in the 2015 system statement 	Α	1	IP
Amend Rural Single Family description to allow for sewer service within the MUSA	Α	1	IP
Park Planning			
 Assist with the creation of a master plan for selected City parks, provide assistance to Parks Commission as needed 	D	3	
Update the Comprehensive Park and Trail System Plan	С	3	
Update Parks 10-year CIP	В	2	
Capital Improvement Plan			
 Planning Commission review of 10-year Capital Improvement Plan for consistency with the Comprehensive Plan 	D	2	
General Planning Studies			
Conduct review of 201 (community) septic system policies and management practices. Develop system for proper oversight, billing, and maintenance of community systems.	D	3	ΙP
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Develop list of contacts and resources for private community septic systems	С	3	
TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROJECTS			
Participate in Manning Avenue (CSAH 15) study with Washington County.	В	2	IP
ADMINISTRATIVE INITIATIVES			
Developer's Agreements and Escrows			
Track planning and other review time against development escrow accounts	Α	1	IP
Building Division			
Develop disaster preparedness manual for Lake Elmo	D	3	
Permit Software Implementation			
Implement Code Enforcement Module for Permit Works	Α	2	
 Add Planning Module from PermitWorks to track planning and zoning applications 	В	1	
Complete move of planning file system to PermitWorks software	В	3	ΙP
Code Enforcement			
Provide support to code enforcement program with the Building Inspector as the City's code enforcement officer	В	3	IP
File Archiving and Management			
Archive older zoning files	В	2	ΙP
Scan zoning files in to Laserfische system	С	4	ΙP
Policy and Procedures Review			
Develop application intake and completeness worksheet	Α	2	IP
 Streamline & Improve Policies/Procedures for the handling of routine land matters including but not limited to variances, site plan review, setbacks et al; 	A	1	