

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 19, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Mayor Pearson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.*

**PRESENT:** Mayor Mike Pearson. Councilmembers Justin Bloyer, Dale Dorschner, Lisa McGinn and Christine Nelson participated via teleconference.

Staff present: Assistant Administrator Dickson, Planning Director Roberts, City Attorney Sonsalla and City Clerk Johnson. Administrator Handt and City Engineer Griffin participated via teleconference.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Item 7, “Final Plat Recording Time Extension (Wyndham Village)” was moved to the Regular Agenda. *Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

**ACCEPT MINUTES**

Minutes of the May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting were accepted as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/INQUIRIES**

None

**PRESENTATIONS**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Approve Payment of Disbursements and Payroll
3. Accept April 2020 Public Works Report
4. Accept April 2020 Building Department Report
5. Accept April 2020 Fire Department Report
6. Approve Encroachment Agreement (Northern Natural Gas Easement and Reid Park Trail)
- ~~7. Final Plat Recording Time Extension (Wyndham Village)~~
8. Approve Pay Equity Report

*Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 - 0.*

**ITEM 7: Final Plat Recording Time Extension (Wyndham Village)**

Planning Director Roberts reviewed the request for a time extension for recording the Wyndham Village final plat and noted that staff recommends approval. Mayor Pearson read a comment submitted by a neighbor of the project, requesting denial of the extension.

*Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE THE REQUESTED TIME EXTENSION TO NOVEMBER 13, 2020 TO RECORD THE WYNDHAM VILLAGE FINAL PLAT, SUBJECT TO THE APPLICANT/DEVELOPER MEETING ALL CITY REQUIRED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR THE FINAL PLAT. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

**ITEM 9: Public Improvement Hearing: Approve Resolution Ordering the Improvement; Declare Costs to be Assessed and Call for Hearing on Assessment for Hamlet on Sunfish Lake Sanitary Sewer Extension**

City Engineer Griffin presented an overview of the project, projected costs and information on possibly assessing the property owners for the costs.

*Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

Leif Grundahl, 4037 Kindred Way, spoke on behalf of the homeowners association, requesting that the homeowners be allowed to pay via special assessment versus requiring costs to be paid up front.

*Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

*Councilmember Bloyer, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-053, ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE HAMLET ON SUNFISH LAKE SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

**ITEM 10: Public Improvement Hearing: Order Improvements and Preparation of Plans and Specifications for Hamlet on Sunfish Lake Street and Utility Improvements**

City Engineer Griffin presented an overview of the project, projected costs and proposed assessment amounts.

*Mayor Pearson, seconded by Councilmember Dorschner, moved TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

No comments were received.

*Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

*Councilmember Dorschner, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, MOVED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-054 ORDERING THE HAMLET ON SUNFISH LAKE STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND THE PREPARATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AS OUTLINED IN THE FEASIBILITY REPORT APPROVED ON APRIL 21, 2020. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

#### **ITEM 11: 5<sup>th</sup> Street Median Update**

Planning Director Roberts reviewed the current status of the plantings in the 5<sup>th</sup> Street Median and Lucius Jonett of Wenck Associates, Inc. presented proposed updates.

*Councilmember McGinn, seconded by Mayor Pearson, moved to direct City staff to budget for Option 3 in 2021 to improve the plantings of 5<sup>th</sup> Street Median One and Median 2 as outlined in the Wenck memo dated April 29, 2020 with a not to exceed budget \$20,000. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Mayor Pearson:** Glad to see stay at home order lifted.

**Councilmember Bloyer:** Thanked staff for their work during the stay at home order.

**Councilmember McGinn:** Observed Fire Department training and new apparatus.

#### **STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Administrator Handt:** Timeline for conceptual drinking water plan is pushed back; noted that the Council would likely be going back to in person meetings in June; Lake Elmo Baseball may start its season in June and City will not be collecting fees for ads this year; Finance Director and Fire Chief job postings will be out this week and the audit is finishing up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

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ATTEST:

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Julie Johnson, City Clerk

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Mike Pearson, Mayor