

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

Regular Meeting

July 12, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goettel at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Debbie Goettel, Mayor; Sue Sandahl; Fred Wroge; Pat Elliott; and Tom Fitzhenry.

Staff Present: Steven L. Devich, City Manager; Mike Eastling, Public Works Director; Pam Dmytrenko, Assistant City Manager; Melissa Poehlman, City Planner; Karen Barton, Community Development Manager; John Stark, Community Development Director; Corrine Heine, City Attorney; and Cheryl Krumholz, Recording Secretary.

OPEN FORUM

None.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Goettel led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/Fitzhenry, S/Sandahl to approve the minutes of (1) Special City Council Meeting of June 27, 2011, (2) Special Concurrent HRA and City Council Worksession of June 28, 2011, (3) Special City Council Worksession of June 28, 2011 and (4) Regular City Council Meeting of June 26, 2011.

Motion carried 5-0.

Item #1	PRESENTATION OF "2011 XCEL ENERGY CASE STUDY FOR MOTOR EFFICIENCY PROGRAM" PARTICIPATION PLAQUE TO ROBERT HINTGEN (VIDEO)
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The City Council viewed a video of the "2011 XCEL Energy Case Study for Motor Efficiency Program" participation plaque presented to Robert Hintgen.

Item #2	PRESENTATION OF HENNEPIN COUNTY 2011 WELLNESS BY DESIGN AWARD (VIDEO)
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The City Council viewed a video of the Hennepin County 2011 Wellness by Design award presentation to the City of Richfield employee wellness committee.

Item #3	COUNCIL DISCUSSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CANCEL AUGUST 23 COUNCIL MEETING • POTENTIAL DATES FOR BUDGET DISCUSSION - SEPTEMBER 6 OR 7 • HATS OFF TO HOMETOWN HITS
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M/Wroge, S/Sandahl to cancel the August 23, 2011 Regular City Council Meeting.

Motion carried 5-0.

The City Council confirmed the budget discussion will take place on September 7, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

The City Council acknowledged the success of the July 4 events and thanked volunteers and sponsors.

Council Member Wroge acknowledged the advance notification to the neighborhood regarding the demolition of the old City Hall building.

Council Member Wroge suggested additional meetings not be held on nights of other regularly scheduled meetings.

Mayor Goettel requested the recently received Building Performance Commissioning of the new Municipal Center received from Orfield and Associates be scheduled for discussion at a future City Council meeting.

Item #4	COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AGENDA
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M/Sandahl, S/Wroge to approve the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0.

Item #5	CONSENT CALENDAR
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- A. Consideration of a resolution supporting the efforts of the City of Richfield becoming a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Community S.R. No. 140

RESOLUTION NO. 10526

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD BECOMING
A BEYOND THE YELLOW RIBBON COMMUNITY

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10526.

- B. Consideration to accept the change order report for the Richfield Municipal Project for an aggregate net effect of \$20,578 in items included in the project budget S.R. No. 141
C. Consideration of resolutions pertaining to the annual Lyndale/HUB/Nicollet (LHN) maintenance assessment process and schedule a public hearing for August 9, 2011 S.R. No. 142

RESOLUTION NO. 10527

RESOLUTION DECLARING COST TO BE ASSESSED AND ORDERING PREPARATION
OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR
LYNDALE/HUB/NICOLLET (LHN) MAINTENANCE FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10527.

RESOLUTION NO. 10528

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO SPECIALLY ASSESS FOR THE COSTS
OF CURRENT SERVICES PROVIDED WITHIN THE
LYNDALE/HUB/NICOLLET (LHN) PROJECT AREA FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10528.

- D. Consideration of resolutions pertaining to the annual 77th Street maintenance district assessment process and schedule a public hearing for August 9, 2011 S.R. No. 143

RESOLUTION NO. 10529

RESOLUTION DECLARING COST TO BE ASSESSED AND ORDERING PREPARATION
OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR 77TH STREET MAINTENANCE FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2010 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10529.

RESOLUTION NO. 10530

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO SPECIALLY ASSESS FOR THE COSTS OF CURRENT
SERVICES PROVIDED WITHIN THE 77TH STREET PROJECT AREA FOR THE PERIOD
JANUARY 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012.

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10530.

- E. Consideration of a resolution declaring costs to be assessed for removal of diseased trees from private property for work ordered in 2010 S.R. No. 144

RESOLUTION NO. 10531

RESOLUTION DECLARING COSTS TO BE ASSESSED AND ORDERING PREPARATION OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR REMOVAL OF DISEASED TREES FROM PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2010 TO DECEMBER 31, 2010

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10531.

- F. Consideration of approval of submission of the Portland Avenue Reconstruction Project for Federal Surface Transportation Program Grant consideration S.R. No. 145

RESOLUTION NO. 10532

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF PORTLAND AVENUE FOR FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUNDS

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10532.

- G. Consideration of approval of first reading of an ordinance amending Section 547 (Administration) of the Zoning Code; specifically the application process, requirements and terms of Conditional Use Permits, Variances, Site Plan Approval and Interim Use Permits and amending regulations related to the requirement for driveway permits S.R. No. 146
- H. Consideration of approval of an Encroachment Agreement with Richfield Hotel Associates Limited Partnership to place and maintain two signs in the City's existing Utility Easement S.R. No. 147
- I. Consideration of the continuation of the contract with the City of Bloomington for provision of inspection services for the City of Richfield for the year 2011 S.R. No. 148

M/Goettel, S/Fitzhenry to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion carried 5-0.

Item #6	CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS, IF ANY, REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR
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None.

Item #7	PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF 66TH STREET CORRIDOR REVITALIZATION PLAN (STAFF REPORT NO. 149)
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Tom Whitlock, Damon Farbor Associates, presented the 66th Street Corridor Revitalization Plan.

Mayor Goettel commended the positive public participation approach and suggested more in-depth housing be considered along the corridor.

Council Member Wroge expressed concern regarding the roadway changes from east to west Richfield along 66th Street.

Mr. Whitlock explained that design discussions with Hennepin County are the next step in exploring alternatives.

M/Sandahl, S/Goettel to accept the 66th Street Corridor Revitalization Plan.

Motion carried 5-0.

Item #8	CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 6401 LYNDALE AVENUE, 515 64TH STREET WEST AND 521 64TH STREET WEST (LYNDALE COMMONS) TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 94-UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING (STAFF REPORT NO. 150)
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Council Member Wroge presented Staff Report No. 150.

Mayor Goettel stated she was pleased with the revised setback.

A Michael Development representative stated they preferred more green space and less parking but space is available if more parking is needed. He explained the improvements made to the interior of the units since the original plan was presented.

Council Member Wroge stated the upgrades were excellent.

Community Development Director Stark stated the financing changes through a private bank not HUD as originally expected.

M/Wroge, S/Sandahl that the following resolution be adopted and that it be made part of these minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 10533

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW A 94-UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING AT 6401 LYNDALE AVE, 515 64TH STREET WEST AND 521 64TH STREET WEST

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 10533.

Item #9	CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
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City Manager Devich discussed the time capsule located at the new City Hall.

The City Council requested the opening of the old time capsule be included as part of the dedication of the new Municipal Center in the fall.

The City Council requested the Historical Society be contacted regarding submitting an item for the new time capsule.

Item #10	CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS
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M/Wroge, S/Sandahl that the following claims and payrolls be approved:

U.S. Bank	7/12/2011	
A/P Checks: 204971-205297	\$	1,316,817.96
Payroll: 76412-76783	\$	584,701.82
TOTAL	\$	1,901,519.78

Motion carried 5-0.

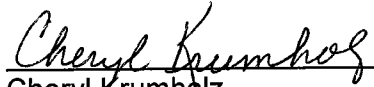
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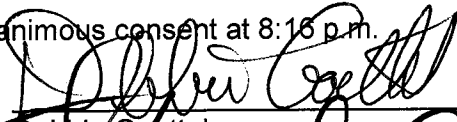
Heidi Gaibor, 6915 Wentworth Avenue, spoke in opposition to a publicly funded amphitheater/bandshell and suggested private funding be considered as a more economical means of financing.

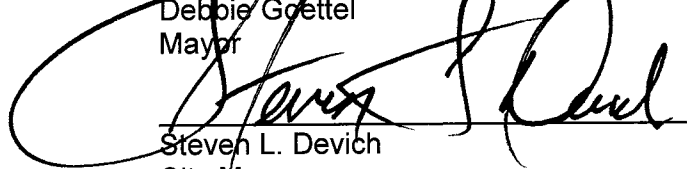
ADJOURNMENT

The City Council meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:16 p.m.

Date Approved: July 26, 2011


 Cheryl Krumholz
 Recording Secretary


 Debie Goettel
 Mayor


 Steven L. Devich
 City Manager