

**MINUTES  
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
EDINA CITY COUNCIL  
HELD AT CITY HALL  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2015  
7:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**II. ROLLCALL**

Answering rollcall were Members Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, and Mayor Hovland.

**III. MEETING AGENDA APPROVED**

**Member Stewart made a motion, seconded by Member Swenson, approving the meeting agenda.**

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTED**

**Member Swenson made a motion, seconded by Member Brindle, approving the consent agenda as follows:**

**IV.A. Approve regular and work session meeting minutes of August 18, 2015**

**IV.B. Receive payment of the following claims as shown in detail on the Check Register dated August 20, 2015, and consisting of 30 pages; General Fund \$1,113,550.01; Police Special Revenue \$816.15; Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety Fund \$15,265.19; Arts and Culture Fund \$5.35; City Hall Debt Service \$1,800.00; Working Capital Fund \$142,636.68; Equipment Replacement Fund \$5,716.78; Cando Fund \$10,562.60; Art Center Fund \$974.88; Golf Dome Fund \$250.00; Aquatic Center Fund \$12,610.13; Golf Course Fund \$75,323.76; Ice Arena Fund \$99,830.78; Sports Dome Fund \$4,313.45; Edinborough Park Fund \$2,29880; Centennial Lakes Park Fund \$4,702.34; Liquor Fund \$52,677.71; Utility Fund \$71,518.80; Storm Sewer Fund \$48,831.35; Recycling Fund \$7.00; PSTF Agency Fund \$22,929.67; Centennial TIF District \$708.60; Grandview TIF District \$2,835.00; Payroll Fund \$12,906.06; TOTAL \$1,703,071.09 and for receipt of payment of claims dated August 27, 2015, and consisting of 30 pages; General Fund \$165,415.32; Police Special Revenue \$2,002.19; City Hall Debt Service \$3,000.00; Working Capital Fund \$63,353.02; Equipment Replacement Fund \$36,325.03; Art Center Fund \$6,007.61; Golf Dome Fund \$89.12; Aquatic Center Fund \$16,971.80; Golf Course Fund \$15,353.27; Ice Arena Fund \$13,428.71; Sports Dome Fund \$142.75; Edinborough Park Fund \$19,937.69; Centennial Lakes Park Fund \$6,367.82; Liquor Fund \$263,172.87; Utility Fund \$49,558.74; Storm Sewer Fund \$1,094.65; PSTF Agency Fund \$1,386.69; Centennial TIF District \$95.00; TOTAL \$663,702.28**

**IV.C. Request for Purchase, Award of Bid Contract ENG 15-13 Interlachen Boulevard Sidewalk Phase I, awarding the bid to the recommended bidder, G.L. Contracting Inc. at \$374,779.80**

**IV.D. Request for Purchase, Liquor Operations POS System, awarding the bid to the recommended bidder, RITE at \$48,724.31**

**IV.E. Set December 1, 2015 Public Hearing Date for 2016 Levy and Budget**

**IV.F. Adopt Resolution No. 2015-85, Setting October 6, 2015 Special Assessment Hearings and October 20, 2015 Certificate of Delinquent Utility Hearing**

**IV.G. Adopt Resolution No. 2015-82, Approving a Wall Sign Variance at 7301 Ohms Lane by SunOpta**

**IV.H. Adopt Ordinance No. 2015-14, Amending Code Regarding City Council Agendas**

**IV.I. Adopt Ordinance No. 2015-17, Granting Xcel Energy Franchise Extension**

Rollcall:

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Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried.

### **V. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **V.A. QUALITY OF LIFE SURVEY RESULTS PRESENTATION – PRESENTED**

Communications and Technology Services Director Bennerotte introduced Damema Mann, National Research Center. Ms. Mann discussed the National Research Center, survey background, survey methods, how to use survey results, areas for improvement, and a summary of key findings.

Ms. Mann answered questions of the Council relating to survey selection, weighted results, and the demographics of negative responders.

### **VI. COMMUNITY COMMENT**

No one appeared to comment.

### **VII. REPORTS / RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **VII.A. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-86 APPROVING PRELIMINARY 2016 BUDGET AND LEVY – ADOPTED**

Manager Neal explained that Finance Director Roggeman would be presenting the preliminary 2016 budget and levy. The budget was mainly the same as the one presented to the Council previously and was necessary to carry out the Work Plan.

Finance Director Roggeman discussed the definitions, biennial budget process, timeline, challenges, budget summary, HRA levy, and tax comparisons. The total of all levies would increase by 7.07%.

Mr. Roggeman answered questions of the Council relating to tax as a percentage of median home value, other revenue sources, comparable pay for personnel, the decrease in liquor profits, and anomalous figures in the budget.

The Council discussed the preliminary 2016 budget and levy and directed staff to provide budget models with a levy of 5% and 6%. The Council also wanted to look into using liquor revenue in other areas and not relying on it for the budget. **Member Swenson introduced and moved adoption of Resolution No. 2015-86, Adopting the Proposed Budget for the City of Edina for Year 2016, and Establishing the Proposed Tax Levy Payable in 2016.** Member Brindle seconded the motion.

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried.

#### **VII.B. ORDINANCE NO. 2015-15 AMENDING GAS ENERGY FRANCHISE FEE AND ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16 AMENDING ELECTRIC ENERGY FRANCHISE FEE – FIRST READINGS GRANTED**

Manager Neal requested the Council consider the first of two readings of ordinances that would increase utility franchise fees for the customers of Xcel Energy and CenterPoint Energy. The existing franchise fees would increase by \$0.50 per month to \$1.95 for both utilities. The additional revenue from the fees, \$250,000 per year, would be segregated into a new Conservation and Sustainability Fund.

Manager Neal answered questions from the Council relating to whether the fee would be separate or combined with the other franchise fees, whether the Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety Fund franchise fees could be increased in the future, and if the Energy and Environment Commission had provided input.

**Member Staunton made a motion to grant First Readings to Ordinance No. 2015-15, Amending Ordinance No. 2012-15 A Gas Energy Franchise Fee on CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Gas ("CenterPoint Energy") for Providing Gas Energy Service within the City of Edina; and, Ordinance No. 2015-16, Amending Ordinance No. 2012-16 Implementing an Electric Service Franchise Fee on Northern States Power Company, a Minnesota**

**Corporation, D/B/A Xcel Energy, its Successors and Assigns, for Providing Electric Service within the City of Edina. Member Stewart seconded the motion.**

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried.

**VII.C. PROPOSED POLICY FOR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY (CAS) FUND – APPROVED**

Manager Neal explained that the Conservation and Sustainability Fund was a special revenue fund created to account for new utility franchise fees. The 2015 utility franchise fees would be dedicated revenue of the Conservation and Sustainability Fund. Manager Neal discussed eligible expenses, ineligible expenses for the fund, and a new City staff position that would work across all departments to accomplish Conservation and Sustainability Fund goals.

**Member Staunton made a motion, seconded by Member Brindle, approving the proposed Conservation and Sustainability Fund Policy.**

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried

**VII.D. PARTNERS IN ENERGY PROGRAM PLANNING TEAM – APPOINTED**

Manager Neal explained that the Council was requested to appoint three at-large citizen members to the Partners in Energy Program Planning Team.

The Council discussed the student volunteer and whether to add a fourth member. The Council each listed their recommended appointees and tallied the results. **Member Brindle made a motion, seconded by Member Swenson, appointing Carolyn Jackson, Roy Jensen, Marshall Silberstein, and Rozy Eastaugh (student) to the Partners in Energy Program Planning Team.**

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried

**VII.E. SKETCH PLAN BEST BUY SITE, 3101 66<sup>TH</sup> STREET WEST – DIRECTION PROVIDED TO PROPONENT**

Community Development Director Presentation

Community Development Director Teague explained that the Council was asked to consider a sketch plan proposal to redevelop the two-acre parcel at 3101 66<sup>th</sup> Street West and 6612 Xerxes Avenue. The proponent was proposing to tear down the vacant Best Buy building and single family home, and redevelop with a six-story 210 unit apartment with a 3,800 square foot restaurant. To accommodate the request, two Comprehensive Plan amendments were needed including building height from 4-stories to 6-stories and housing density from 75 units per acre to 104.

Proponent Presentation

Kurt Krumenauer, Midwest Apartment Broker, introduced Pete Keely, Collage Architects. Mr. Keely discussed design ideas, presented drawings, and talked about where the project was at currently. He shared that they were in the process of hiring a traffic management consultant to help address some of those concerns and the plan was to have larger units in order to answer the demands of the market.

Mr. Keely answered questions of the Council relating to where the Promenade ended and walkability.

The Council pointed out the Greater Southdale Area Nine Guiding Principles and encouraged the developers to address each principle. The Council indicated support of the building design and the setback, but preferred a sidewalk all the way around the building. The Council expressed concern with the properties located near the site and noted the traffic study would be important.

**VII.F. GREATER SOUTHDALE AREA STUDY WORK GROUP ADDITIONS – APPOINTED**

Mr. Teague shared that the Work Group had been interviewing candidates and introduced Michael Schroeder, Greater Southdale Area Study Work Group Member.

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Mr. Schroeder explained that seven potential candidates had been identified and interviewed. Four additional members were recommended including Joel Stegner, Don Hutchison, and Chris Cooper from the public and Claudia Carr from the Planning Commission.

The Council thanked Mr. Schroeder for his work and all who applied. **Member Swenson made a motion, seconded by Member Staunton, appointing public members Joel Stegner, Don Hutchison, and Chris Cooper and Planning Commissioner Claudia Carr to the Greater Southdale Area Study Work Group.**

Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried

**VII.G. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-84 ADOPTED – ACCEPTING VARIOUS GRANTS AND DONATIONS**

Mayor Hovland explained that in order to comply with State Statutes; all donations to the City must be adopted by Resolution and approved by four favorable votes of the Council accepting the donations. **Member Brindle introduced and moved adoption of Resolution No. 2015-84 accepting various grants and donations.** Member Stewart seconded the motion.

Rollcall:  
Ayes: Brindle, Staunton, Stewart, Swenson, Hovland  
Motion carried.

**VIII. CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS**

**VIII.A. CORRESPONDENCE**

Mayor Hovland acknowledged the Council's receipt of various correspondence.

**VIII.B. MINUTES:**

1. **ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION, JULY 9, 2015**
2. **EDINA COMMUNITY HEALTH COMMISSION, MAY 4 AND JULY 7, 2015**
3. **HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELATIONS COMMISSION, JULY 28, 2015**
4. **PLANNING COMMISSION, AUGUST 12, 2015**

Informational; no action required.

**IX. AVIATION NOISE UPDATE – Received**

**X. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS – Received**

**XI. MANAGER'S COMMENTS – Received**

**XI.A. DIRECTION FOR GRANDVIEW FORMER PUBLIC WORKS SITE**

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business on the Council Agenda, Mayor Hovland declared the meeting adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, September 16, 2015.

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James B. Hovland, Mayor

Video Copy of the September 1, 2015, meeting available.