

REPORT / RECOMMENDATION



To: MAYOR & COUNCIL

Agenda Item #: IX. A.

From: Debra Mangen
City Clerk

Date: April 22, 2014

Subject: Correspondence

Action
Discussion
Information

Action Requested:

No action is necessary.

Attachment:

Attached is correspondence received since the last Council meeting.

Heather Branigin

From: Patti King <pdking@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 10:38 PM
To: Mark.Fuhrmann@metrotransit.org
Cc: susan.haigh@metc.state.mn.us; roxanne.smith@metc.state.mn.us;
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gary.vaneyll@metc.state.mn.us; steve.elkins@metc.state.mn.us;
james.brimeyer@metc.state.mn.us; gary.cunningham@metc.state.mn.us;
adam.duinick@metc.state.mn.us; edward.reynoso@metc.state.mn.us;
john.doan@metc.state.mn.us; harry.melander@metc.state.mn.us;
richard.kramer@metc.state.mn.us; jon.commers@metc.state.mn.us;
steven.chavez@metc.state.mn.us; wendy.wulff@metc.state.mn.us;
jan.callison@co.hennepin.mn.us; Edina Mail; jacobsjeffrey@comcast.net;
billjames@q.com; commissioner.mclaughlin@co.hennepin.mn.us;
tschneider@eminnetonka.com; peter.wagenius@ci.minneapolis.mn.us;
lisa.weik@co.washington.mn.us; cherylyouakim@hotmail.com;
Subject: Matt.Look@co.anoka.mn.us; Patti King McDaniel
Remove the St. Louis Park freight re-route from consideration

Dear Mr. Fuhrman,

As a resident and parent who is concerned for the safety of the children and community, please remove the St. Louis Park freight re-route from consideration.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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Patti King McDaniel
St. Louis Park Resident
Phone: 651-303-5808
Email: pdking@gmail.com

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From: Reid McDaniel <reidmcdan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 01, 2014 10:44 PM
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lisa.weik@co.washington.mn.us; cherylyouakim@hotmail.com;
Matt.Look@co.anoka.mn.us
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Reid McDaniel



Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

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Date: April 1, 2014

To: All Interested Citizens, Organizations, and Government Agencies

Subject: WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM PROJECT

Loan Project Name: MCES Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation Phase 2

Loan Project Number : 280213

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) staff has reviewed the proposed project and has determined that the preparation of an Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) is not mandatory. A preliminary determination has been made that no significant environmental impacts are anticipated.

The Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES) has applied for a construction loan under the Minnesota Clean Water Revolving Fund and is; therefore; subject to the state environmental review process.

The Environmental Summary included with this notice provides information on the existing and proposed wastewater treatment facilities and associated environmental considerations. The MPCA is opening a public comment period for environmental review of this project. Comments will be accepted for 30 days. Please respond to the MPCA by April 30, 2014. Comments received by April 30, 2014, will receive proper response.

Environmental review documents will be made available upon request.

If you have questions, comments, or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 651-757-2554.

Your interest in Minnesota's environment is appreciated.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Corey Mathisen".

Corey R. Mathisen, P.E.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY

I. Project Name

MCES Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation Phase 2

Legal Description:

Located in NE ¼ of Section 31, Township 29N, Range 23 West and NE ¼ of Section 18, Township 28N, Range 23 West; Hennepin County, City of Minneapolis.

Project Proposer:

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services
390 North Robert Street
St. Paul, MN 55101

This project will provide improvements at seven of the ten remaining regulators in the MCES collection system in addition to a reach of badly corroded interceptor tunnel. The improvements to the regulator facilities will provide pressure relief for the sanitary sewer system that will be used only for emergency relief of the system. The pressure relief would be necessary in order to avoid surcharging that could result in catastrophic damage to facilities, the environment, or private property. In addition to the improvements to the seven regulators, a badly corroded segment of interceptor 1-MN-344 will be addressed. This reach is just downstream of Regulator R04 near Minnehaha Park.

II. Alternatives Considered

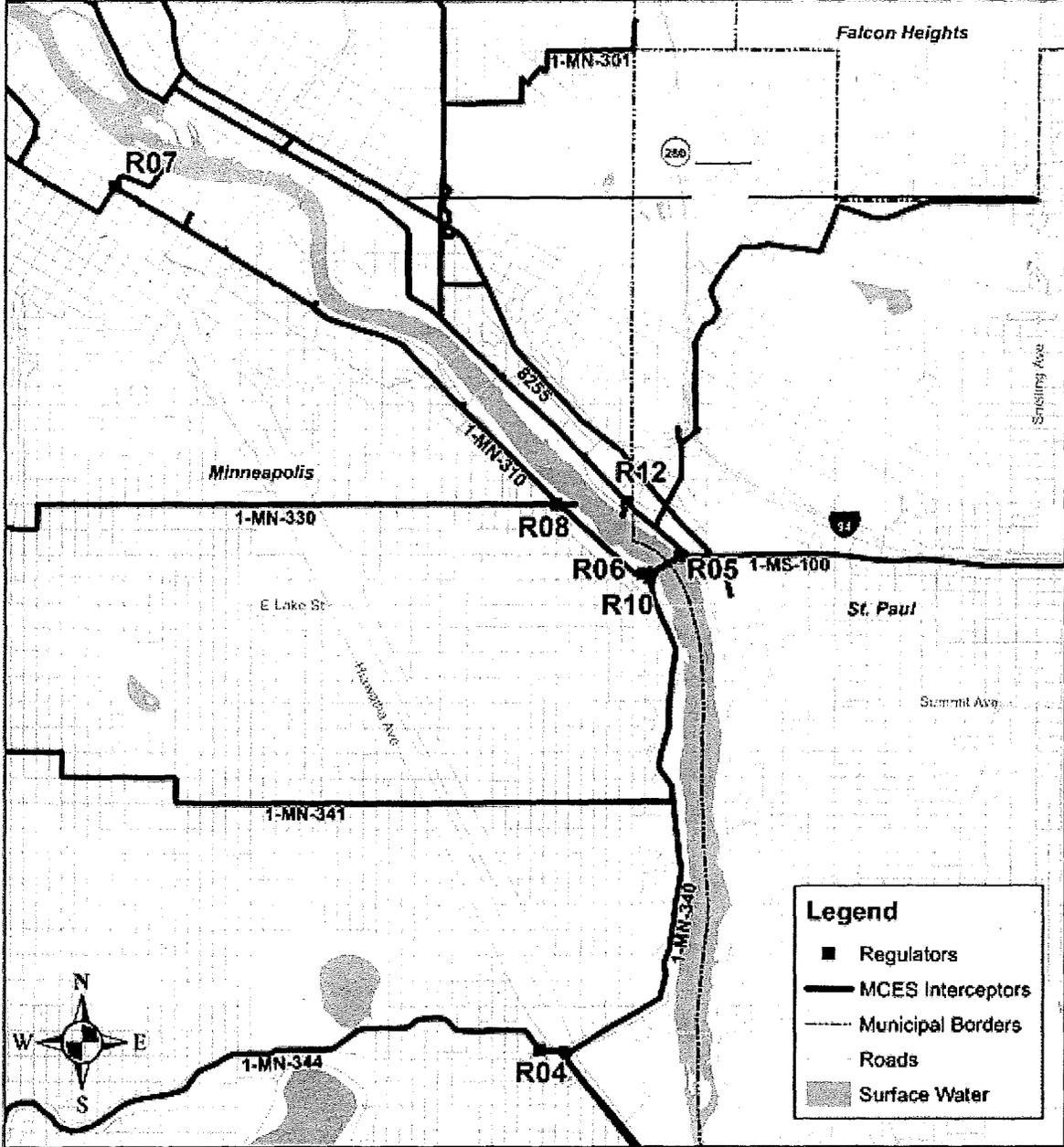
Other alternatives considered included rehabilitation of existing structures, retrofitting existing structures with new equipment, and full sewer replacement.

III. Present Wastewater System and Need

MCES owns and operates an extensive system of sanitary sewer interceptors that convey wastewater from over 100 communities to its regional treatment plants located throughout the Twin Cities area. Many of the facilities in the project area were originally constructed in the 1930's using best tunneling and sewer design technologies available at the time. Some of the facilities were upgraded in the 1960's. Some of these facilities remain as originally designed and constructed. Several of these sites have been improved in recent years from a safety perspective, but others are in need of construction to make them safer.

LEGEND

Regulator Number	Description	Regulator Number	Description
R04	39th Ave. S. & E. Minnehaha Pkwy.	R05	Site 1A, Lake St. Siphon Tailhouse
R06	Minneapolis Northwest Meters	R10	Minneapolis Southwest Meters
R07	Portland Ave. & Washington Ave.	R12	Minneapolis East Meters
R08	E. 26th Ave. & Seabury St.		



Legend

- Regulators
- MCES Interceptors
- - - Municipal Borders
- Roads
- Surface Water

Heather Branigin

From: thebigpicture.activehosted.com@s140.acemserv.com on behalf of Heidi Preslicka <heidi@preslickastudio.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 02, 2014 12:39 PM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Wall Murals

Hello Tom

I had contacted you via email several years ago regarding our wall murals. I work with a wall muralist, Greg Preslicka who has done over 50 wall murals in Minnesota. If you would like to bring excitement, fun, education, and/or an activity into your activity or nature center, we would love to help you out. We are reaching out to several nature centers and activity centers or fitness centers. Greg provides custom designed layouts. He is a graphic designer so he understands how to create images that are pleasing. He meets with our client to brainstorm and hear what they are interested in or what their focus or mission is. Then he offers several layouts and changes if needed. You will get a great sense of what the mural will look like before any paint hits the wall. He does this by illustrating the layouts and putting them into photos of the space. So it looks like the mural is already complete. Below are a few photos of some recent jobs.

Please call me if you have any question or if you want to hear more 612-875-6630.

Please check out our website and/or Facebook page. www.thebigpicturemurals.net
www.facebook.com/murals.net

Also check him out on this news segment: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cOYx_850tqU

Heidi Preslicka

Heather Branigin

From: Kay Drache <kdrache@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, April 04, 2014 2:45 PM
To: Mark.Fuhrmann@metrotransit.org
Cc: susan.haigh@metc.state.mn.us; roxanne.smith@metc.state.mn.us; lona.schreiber@metc.state.mn.us; jennifer.munt@metc.state.mn.us; gary.vaneyll@metc.state.mn.us; steve.elkins@metc.state.mn.us; james.brimeyer@metc.state.mn.us; gary.cunningham@metc.state.mn.us; adam.duininck@metc.state.mn.us; edward.reynoso@metc.state.mn.us; john.doan@metc.state.mn.us; sandy.rummel@metc.state.mn.us; harry.melander@metc.state.mn.us; richard.kramer@metc.state.mn.us; jon.commers@metc.state.mn.us; steven.chavez@metc.state.mn.us; wendy.wulff@metc.state.mn.us; james.brimeyer@metc.state.mn.us; jan.callison@co.hennepin.mn.us; Edina Mail; jacobsjeffrey@comcast.net; billjames@q.com; commissioner.mclaughlin@co.hennepin.mn.us; tschneider@eminnetonka.com; peter.wagenius@ci.minneapolis.mn.us; lisa.weik@co.washington.mn.us; cherylyouakim@hotmail.com; Matt.Look@co.anoka.mn.us; betsy.hodges@ci.minneapolis.mn.us; Kay Drache
Subject: SWLRT

Dear Mr. Fuhrmann,

I am writing to urge you to drop all consideration of relocating freight rail within Saint Louis Park. The numerous problems and unneeded expenses associated with these options, as well as the significant time delay and the opposition of the railroads, should make it obvious that any of the colocation options, from the least expensive (move the bike trail, which was created as a temporary convenience after Hennepin County purchased the corridor) to the shallow or deep tunnels, are better choices. When ALL expenses are considered (property takes, mitigation) the colocation options represent the safest and most cost effective choices.

Sincerely,

Kay E. Drache
3067 Zarthan Ave. S.
St. Louis Park, MN 55416-2025
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kdrache@comcast.net

When you absolutely, positively, have to know... ask a librarian.

Heather Branigin

From: Marie Sullivan <mariesullivan87@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 6:12 PM
To: Edina Mail; Mary Brindle (Comcast); Joni Bennett; Josh Sprague; ann swenson; Cary Teague; Scott Neal
Subject: Edina's "About Town" magazine

Dear Mayor, City Council Members, Planning Director and City Manager,

I wanted to comment on the subject of the *Word From the Mayor* article in the most recent *About Town* Edina magazine. The theme of the article stresses how important it is to have a "good plan" as a road map for the future.

It also stresses that the city will "consistently" seek input from the community in "meaningful and interactive communication." This broad community participation is said by the Mayor to be "Central to the effort and critical to its ultimate success."

If this is so, why didn't the city listen to and consult with the neighborhood most affected by the closure of the Fred Richard's Golf course? Why did the city vote to close the course without first working with the neighborhood to figure out a plan to either keep it or what to do with the land? We should have been consulted!!!

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The Mayor's comments in *A Word From the Mayor* sound good but left a sour taste in my mouth because from my experience as a Cornelia neighborhood resident they don't ring true.

Please practice what you preach!

Sincerely,
Marie Sullivan
4512 Hibiscus Ave., Edina MN

Heather Branigin

From: Sprague, Josh <joshsprague@edinarealty.com>
Sent: Monday, April 07, 2014 6:54 PM
To: Marie Sullivan
Cc: Edina Mail; Mary Brindle (Comcast); Joni Bennett; Ann Swenson; Cary Teague; Scott Neal
Subject: Re: Edina's "About Town" magazine

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Marie,

I understand your feelings about the issue, but you are spreading factual inaccuracies intentionally, please be aware. I did not name Renee Hunzelman nor "go after" her in the Sun Current. I gave a factual response to baseless allegations that were made against me. Your statements below that I "accidentally" showed Renee Hunzelman plans from Pentagon that showed their using the golf course are factually inaccurate and scurrilous, as is the statement that plans of any kind were "kept" from the neighborhood.

It's time to move on.

:: js

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On Apr 7, 2014, at 6:11 PM, Marie Sullivan <mariesullivan87@gmail.com<<mailto:mariesullivan87@gmail.com>>> wrote:

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Heather Branigin

From: Sandra K Westerman <Sandra.Westerman@hennepin.us>
Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 2014 8:54 AM
Subject: Heroin Town Hall, April 17
Attachments: Heroin Town Hall Flier FINAL.pdf

Hennepin County Elected & Appointed local government officials:

The Hennepin County Sheriff's Office is hosting an upcoming Emergency Town Hall Meeting to address the recent heroin epidemic in Hennepin County. We appreciate your help in distributing this information to any persons or groups of interest. Thank you for partnering with us on this collaborative effort to combat heroin use in Hennepin County.

Thanks,

Sandra Westerman
Director of Intergovernmental Relations
Office of Sheriff Rich Stanek
Hennepin County

350 S. 5th Street, Room 6
Minneapolis, MN 55415

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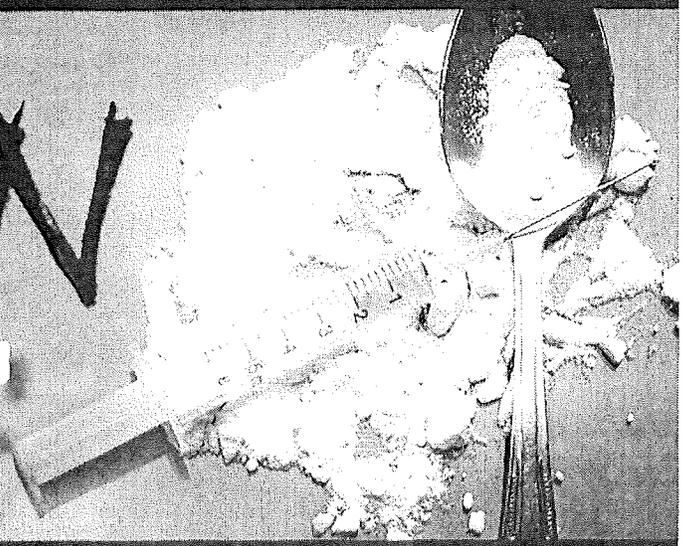
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Hennepin County Sheriff's Office

Andrew Luger

United States Attorney

Jack Riley

Special Agent In Charge, DEA

Senator Chris Eaton

District 40-Brooklyn Center

Chief Craig Enevoldsen

Brooklyn Park Police Dept.

Chief Kevin Benner

Brooklyn Center Police Dept.

Dr. Joseph Lee

Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation

Adam Pederson

Mn Adult & Teen Challenge

EMERGENCY MEETING

WE NEED YOU at this Town Hall Forum to discuss why heroin is a growing concern in our communities, and how this issue is connected to your home medicine cabinet.

Thursday, April 17th at 6:30 p.m.

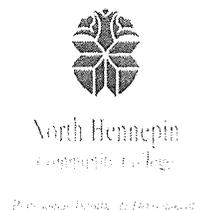
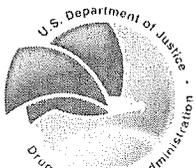
North Hennepin Community College

Grand Hall in the Center for Business and Technology

7411 85th Ave North, Brooklyn Park

Questions? Contact HCSO Public Information Officer,
Jennifer Johnson 612-596-9491 or jennifer.a.johnson@hennepin.us

/ YOUNG ADULTS / PARENTS / EDUCATORS / CONCERNED CITIZENS /



Heather Branigin

From: Ken Potts <KPotts@mcgough.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 2014 10:55 AM
To: Edina Mail
Cc: Heather Beal (constellationcreate@comcast.net)
Subject: Please distribute to City Council
Attachments: Beal Potts statement to Council 04 01 2014.pdf; MN Statue 412 651 complaint w received stamp.pdf; Passive Enforcement Blog 06 18 2012.pdf

Dear City Council,
Attached are files that cover what Heather and I discussed last week.
Thank you,
Ken Potts

My name is Ken Potts and I have been a resident at 4236 Crocker Ave. for 21 years.

I would like to request 5 minutes to speak. If you choose to stop me after 3 minutes, I will ask my wife to complete our comments. We will take questions after that.

I'm appearing tonight to discuss Edina's approach to enforcing City Code. In my opinion, it is sporadic, inconsistent and mostly passive.

City Manager, Scott Neal has defined "passive enforcement" in his blog writing that:

"Passive enforcement means that we don't send City employees out to look for violations, but we'll enforce City Code violations on a complaint basis"

Key terms that I will have to repeat here are "passive" and "complaint."

Manager Neal went on:

"It really depends on the character of the community and the will of the elected officials to know what their residents will tolerate when it comes to quality of life issues."

By State Statute:

- The Building Official is responsible for enforcing the State Building Code;
 - MN State Building Code
<http://www.auditor.leg.state.mn.us/ped/1999/sbc99.htm>
- The City Manager is responsible for enforcing the City Code.
 - 2013 Minnesota Statutes 412.651 CITY MANAGER; POWERS AND DUTIES
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/?id=412.651>

We have filed a formal complaint detailing many items that my allotted time tonight will only allow me to touch on. I will leave a copy of that complaint with the City Clerk and request that it be included in the meeting minutes that are part of the public record.

Following are some examples of the detrimental effects of "passive enforcement" as defined by City Manager Neal and practiced in residential neighborhoods.

These are documented by publicly available information.

- **State Building Code** provisions are not being followed when staff ignores the explicit requirement to create stamped and signed review documents.
 - Minnesota Administrative Rules 1300.0130 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS Subp. 6
<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/?id=1300.0130>

- Important aspects of the **City's Comprehensive Plan** are not being upheld when staff makes a practice of ignoring entire sections of the Code. Section 830 of the City Code regarding land disturbing activities has been ignored for years across the City.
 - Edina Code: 411.06 Permit Standards for Both Demolition Permits and Building Permits.
 - Subd. 1 The permit holder must comply with the State Building Code, State Statutes and the City Code, including City Code Sections 410, 415, 425 and 430.
 - Section 330 - Tree Removal, Grading and Excavations
 - **830.03 Activities requiring a permit**
 - **Subd. 2 Grading. Grading in connection with any one project involving more than: A. Ten cubic yards of earth in the aggregate on a lot located in the R-1 District...**
- Site plans have been reviewed in a passive manner; relying for accuracy, without verification, on the individual who produced them.

Such plans have been incorrect, incomplete; and yet approved by staff. The builder can then tell anyone who asks: "I am working from plans the City has approved."

Any challenge to this must come from a resident who "complains." Typically, this happens after construction is so far along that practical solutions are extremely limited.

- Lot coverage rules cannot be regulated when the math of the submitter is not checked and staff passively accepts the information presented. (**4408 Morningside Ave.**)
- Adjacent basements suffer from water damage when poorly designed and executed plans are passively accepted and approved. (**4310 Branson St.**)
- City infrastructure and adjacent property is damaged when staff does not enforce silt fence and erosion protection that is required as part of the building permit process. (**4511 Golf Terrace**).

○ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xbvc-GqdQ4g>

In conclusion, under current practices, residents simply seeking to protect their private property are labeled "complainers."

○ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5H3J-Whymzo>

Unscrupulous builders who regularly interact with City Staff know this, and can use passive enforcement to their benefit. Not getting permission first, but begging forgiveness later ... only after someone "complains."

From what I've observed and experienced, the City has appeased builders to the detriment of

existing residents.

I initially had faith in the process, but to date have been let down by its execution. My family and I have experienced the direct impact of the failure to enforce these examples and more.

At the June 26, 2013 Planning Commission meeting, the City Engineer addressed a question about City Policy saying that if City review criteria are not met:

“a Certificate of Occupancy wouldn’t be issued. The homeowner wouldn’t be able to move in.”

I am not aware of any instances where this policy has been enforced.

In our opinion, a Residential Redevelopment Coordinator whose focus is on construction phase issues, not long term impacts, has not sufficiently solved this problem. We also believe that staff is overworked and unable to effectively regulate an especially high volume of site plan reviews, building plan reviews, and construction activity.

In our opinion management by passive enforcement practices fails to protect quality of life issues in the City of Edina. Thank you.



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About the Author

Scott Neal began work at Edina City Manager in 2010 after becoming the City staff he served as City Manager of Edina, Minn. from 2003. He has also held the positions of City Administrator, former City Manager of Southfield, Mich., Pleasanton, Calif., and Normal, Ill. Scott was the first City Manager of Minnesota and one of the first in the country to share his experiences and observations of city government in a blog and has traveled internationally to speak about his experiences with leadership blogging. Follow Scott Neal on Twitter @edinasilverman

Scott Neal -- posted in June 18, 2012

Comments are closed.



City Manager Scott Neal's Blog

This is a list of comments for Scott Neal's Blog. There are 18 comments in total.

There are comments for you to view in the Scott Neal's Blog on this page. Either you or the City of Edina will get a jump on responding properly to the city code violations. Read it here...

Many other people sometimes call it "passive enforcement" when it comes to things like residential parking violations, nuisances and other small quality-of-life things that happen. Passive enforcement means that we don't send City employees out to look for violations, but we'll enforce the City Code on a violation-by-complaint basis, which means that we'll come do something about the thing that bugs you (if it's contrary to City Code) if you call us, but we probably won't if you don't call us.

Not everybody appreciates that enforcement strategy. After all, if the law is the law, why should the City wait for complaints. Just enforce the laws we have and future violators will know that we're serious, and they will refrain from breaking the law. Other people will be annoyed if we send part City staff out to look for violations of our tall grass law, or some other such thing.

There's really not much of a middle ground here. Passive enforcement is probably less expensive and less intrusive in the long run, but it makes residents fun on their neighbors, which makes it a non-ideal strategy. The issue is not what's right or wrong, it's just a live with a less-than-ideal situation if they have to complain to get the city to enforce its ordinances.

I go back and forth on this one. It really all depends on the character of the community and the will of the elected officials to know what their citizens will tolerate when it comes to quality of life issues. It's a balance to be struck and affected residents should be made aware of the government.

It all depends

1 comment on "Passive Enforcement"

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Edina Blog

City Blogs

City Manager Scott Neal's Blog 200 posts

Edina Liquor Blog 42 posts

EFD Pulse Blog 44 posts

Parks & Recreation Blog 111 posts

Public Works Blog 24 posts

NAME Blog 28 posts

Heather Beal and Ken Potts
4236 Crocker Ave
Edina, MN 55416
March 25, 2014



Scott Neal
City Manager, City of Edina
4801 W. 50th Street
Edina, MN 55424

**Complaint under Minnesota Statutes 412.651 subd. 2 and subd. 4
Regarding 4238 Crocker Ave Property ID: 07-028-24-42-0056**

The construction project at 4238 Crocker Ave was granted a Building Construction permit by the City of Edina on June 3, 2013. The Applicant attested that "All work will comply with Edina City Code and Minnesota State Building Code" and that "All work will be done according to plans approved by the City of Edina when approved plans are required." The Codes in force as of that date were the Edina City Code, 2007 Minnesota State Building Code (MN Code) and the 2006 International Residential Code (IRC).

Following is a list of instances where City Code and State Code were neither referenced nor enforced during plan review and permit issuance. (All underlined text is language directly from the Code). Red text indicates documented enforcement failures.

MN Code: 1300.0130 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS Subp. 6. Approval of construction documents. If the building official issues a permit, the construction documents shall be approved in writing or by a stamp, stating "Reviewed for Code Compliance," dated, and signed by the building official or an authorized representative.

The construction documents on record at City Hall do not have such a stamp, date or written statement.

Edina Code: 411.06 Permit Standards for Both Demolition Permits and Building Permits. Subd. 1 The permit holder must comply with the State Building Code, State Statutes and the City Code, including City Code Sections 410, 415, 425 and 830.

Section 830 was never wholly approved by the City Council.

830.06 Standards and Guidelines Subd. 1 Grading Activities

Notes below the following sections refer to the plans approved by the City for the June 3, 2013 Building Permit.

- A. The plan shall be fitted to the topography and soils as to create the least erosion potential.
The topography was radically altered with more than 250 cubic yards of fill added to the site. Erosion potential was increased with steep slopes created that did not previously exist.
- E. Not more than the smallest practical area of land shall be graded or exposed at any one time during development.
An area of land more than twice the size of the building footprint has been exposed for greater than 9 months.

- F. When vegetation is removed during development, the exposed condition of land shall be kept to the shortest practical period of time, but not longer than 60 days.
Vegetation was removed and has been land has been exposed for longer than 9 months.
- I. Diversions shall be installed to divert surface water runoff from slopes of ten percent or steeper.
Lack of diversions on such slopes has resulted in water and silt trespass on our property on at least four separate occasions. Subsequent hearing of our brick patio is noted in a Damage Assessment by a Civil Engineer dated October 25, 2013.
- K. Cut and fill slopes shall not be steeper than two feet horizontal to one foot vertical unless stabilized by a retaining wall, cribbing or rip-rap, or other means acceptable to the Building Official.
Slopes steeper than two feet horizontal to one foot vertical were indicated without any stabilization shown.

830.07 Issuance of Permit

Any permit granted pursuant to this Section shall be nontransferable and shall expire six months from the date of issuance.

Permit was granted June 3, 2013 and has expired 7 November 7, 2013. The City has allowed work to continue past the permit expiration for more than 3 months, and issued a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy on February 14, 2014.

830.08 Conformance with Plan

All activities undertaken pursuant to a permit issued under this Section shall conform to the approved plans and schedules and to any conditions imposed by the permit.

On December 6, 2013 the City annotated an incomplete site plan (incomplete relative to City site plan requirements). There is no review stamp, making it unclear if this is a new permit or a permit extension.

Conditions noted on this plan include provisions for additional retaining walls (not engineered even though they are greater than 4' tall), guttering of the roof, and connection to a City storm drain extension erected specifically for this project.

Notes provided at issuance of the Temporary Certificate of Occupancy which indicate outstanding items to be completed do not include any of these provisions.

850.07 Subd. 7 Drainage

Surface water runoff shall be properly channeled into storm sewers, water courses, ponding areas or other public facilities. All provisions for drainage, including storm sewers, sheet drainage and swales, shall be reviewed and approved by the Engineer prior to construction or installation.

None of the site plan is reviewed and approved by the City have been done by an Engineer. There is no stamp or signature to validate this. Review was done by a Engineering Technician. (Engineer is a defined term in the Duluth City Code and regulated by MN Statute 325.02; it does not include Engineering Technician).

Scott Neal
March 26, 2014
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850.11 Single Dwelling Unit District (R-1).

Subd. 7 Special Requirements. In addition to the general requirements described in Subsection 850.07, the following special requirements shall apply.

A. Special Setback Requirements for Single Dwelling Unit Lots.

3. Interior Side Yard Setback. The required interior side yard setback shall be increased by 6 inches for each foot the building height exceeds 15 feet.

The plans approved by the City show building heights above the proposed grades:

1. 20'-6" for a wall that is 11'-3" from the property line (a setback violation of 1'-6")
2. 27'-0" for a wall that is 14'-3" from the property line (a setback violation of 1'-9")

2006 International Residential Code (IRC)

R403.1 Footings on or adjacent to slopes.

The placement of buildings and structures on or adjacent to slopes steeper than 1 unit vertical in 3 units horizontal shall conform to Sections R403.1.7.1 through R403.1.7.4.

The plans approved by the City show a "line of sight" to "line of retention" distance of 1' when a minimum of 3' is required to protect the adjacent property.

We have been subjected to at least 4 silt trespass incidents that have physically damaged our property (the first documented on August 4, 2013 and the most recent documented on March 21, 2014).

We have taken a number of positive, proactive and costly measures to try to prevent or mitigate future damage from non-code-compliant alterations to the 4238 Crocker site. We responded to the future homeowner's request to have a tree trimmed so that it would not get in the way of construction. We had gutters added to the south (and north) sides of our home since space between our houses has been reduced from 35 to 18 feet; and a series of retaining walls added to hold large volumes of soil. We allowed construction workers to use water from our hose multiple times when they needed to wash out equipment. We responded to our future neighbors' questions about the history of their property. We let future neighbor Greg Daggett know when we were informed that the City planned to extend the storm sewer across our property when we realized the timing might conflict with Greg's schedule to build his own retaining wall.

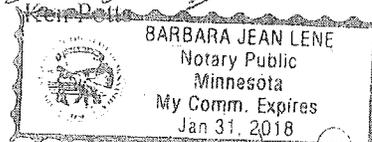
It now appears, however, that regardless of us expressing our concerns about drainage early and often, the future homeowners may have to pay for retaining walls that may not have been needed (and were not requested by the City or us) if the survey and site/architectural design errors had been caught and corrected in time.

Based on a clear and ongoing pattern of the builder not fulfilling their attestation to follow Code, this project should be deemed to have "special conditions" as defined in State Code Section 1300.0130. We specifically request that the City of Edina fulfill its obligation to Code enforcement by verifying that the property at 4238 Crocker Ave meet all applicable Codes, and conditions indicated on approved plans, prior to issuance of a Final Certificate of Occupancy. In order to see this carried out, we request that the builder be required to post a bond of \$75,000.

Sincerely,

Heather Beal

Heather Beal
4236 Crocker Ave residents since 1993



Barbara Jean Lene

**412.651 CITY MANAGER; POWERS AND DUTIES.**

Subdivision 1. **Generally.** The city manager shall have the powers and duties set forth in the following subdivisions.



Subd. 2. **Enforcement.** The city manager shall see that statutes relating to the city and the laws, ordinances and resolutions of the city are enforced.

Subd. 3. **Appointment of personnel.** The city manager shall appoint upon the basis of merit and fitness and subject to any applicable civil service provisions and, except as herein provided, remove the clerk, all heads of departments, and all subordinate officers and employees; but the appointment and removal of the attorney shall be subject to the approval of the council.



Subd. 4. **Control.** The city manager shall exercise control over all departments and divisions of the administration created under Optional Plan B or which may be created by the council.

Subd. 5. **Council meetings.** The city manager shall attend all meetings of the council with the right to take part in the discussions but not to vote; but the council may in its discretion exclude the city manager from any meetings at which the manager's removal is considered.

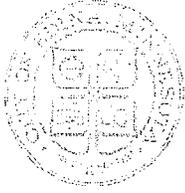
Subd. 6. **Recommend ordinances and resolutions.** The city manager shall recommend to the council for adoption such measures as the city manager may deem necessary for the welfare of the people and the efficient administration of the affairs of the city.

Subd. 7. **Advise; annual budget.** The city manager shall keep the council fully advised as to the financial condition and needs of the city and the city manager shall prepare and submit to the council the annual budget.

Subd. 8. **Administrative code.** The city manager shall, when directed to do so by the council, prepare and submit to the council for adoption an administrative code incorporating the details of administrative procedure, and from time to time the city manager shall suggest amendments to such code.

Subd. 9. **Additional duties.** The city manager shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the statutes relating to Optional Plan B cities or required by ordinance or resolutions adopted by the council.

History: 1949 c 119 s 81; 1973 c 123 art 2 s 1 subd 2; 1986 c 444



EDINA BUILDING SAFETY POLICY/INFORMATION ₁			
Survey/Site Plan Requirements		MSBC 1300.0130	
Inspections Department		code reference	
department		approval <i>[Signature]</i>	
SP-005-B ₂	6 on 1/19/12	12/4/00	1 of 1
suffix number	revision number	effective date	page number
1. All Building Safety sheets adopted by Fire Department and Inspections Department.			
2. Sheet numbers with B suffix developed by Inspections Dept. Sheet numbers with F suffix developed by Fire Dept.			



Purpose: To provide adequate and accurate site information to all City departments involved in the review and approval of projects, as well as providing information for future reference.

Scope: All required surveys

Surveys are required for construction of structures, additions to structures, demolition of structures, moving of structures and grading.

Exception: When no grading is to occur on the property, the NGVD-1929 elevation at the existing and proposed main floor level is indicated on the site plan and the bottom of all footings for all structures on the property are above the Flood Fringe, the Building Official, Planning Director and City Engineer may approve a site plan in lieu of a survey when one of the following conditions is met:

- The proposed structure is setback at least twice the required setback distance from property lines, and property corners and property lines adjacent to the proposed structure have been located and marked by a surveyor.
- The proposed structure is setback at least twice the required setback distance from property lines, and property corner irons or monuments have been located and the entire length of property lines adjacent to the proposed structure have been marked.

Surveys for proposed work must be submitted at the time of permit application. In addition, as-built surveys are required to be submitted during the course of construction.

1. An as-built survey indicating the floor level of the existing home at the main entry must be submitted with an application for a demolition permit.
2. An as-built survey indicating the top of foundation and structure setbacks must be submitted prior to foundation backfill approval.
3. An as-built survey indicating actual site conditions including all structures and contours must be submitted prior to final building permit approval.

Surveys submitted to the City for permits must include:

1. Property lines showing monument locations. Registered surveyor must prepare survey.
2. Scale of drawing. Minimum scale 1" = 50'. Maximum sheet drawing size 24" x 36".
3. Full legal description.
4. Dimensions of lot including square footage and north arrow.
5. Dimensions of front, rear and side yards, proposed and existing.
6. Locations and dimensions of all existing buildings/structures on the lot.
7. Location and dimensions of proposed building/addition/structure, including cantilevers beyond the foundation.
8. Side yard and setback dimensions of buildings/structures on adjacent lots.
9. Location of all easements as shown on record plats.
10. National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD-1929) elevations at the following specific locations:
 - 10.1. Each lot corner (existing and proposed).
 - 10.2. Grade at the foundation and top of foundation of structures on adjacent lots.
 - 10.3. Grade at the foundation, top of foundation, main floor and garage floor of proposed new construction.
 - 10.4. Lowest point of entry (i.e. door sill or top of window well) of proposed and existing construction.
 - 10.5. Lowest floor of proposed and existing construction.
 - 10.6. Top of wall and bottom of wall elevations at regular intervals for all retaining walls.
11. Placement and method of erosion control, including construction entrance location.
12. Arrows indicating direction of existing and proposed drainage.
13. One foot contours indicating existing and proposed grades.
14. Lot coverage calculations
15. Location of pylon sign (for commercial project only).
16. Record of revisions, with revision date, number and description.
17. Signature, date and certification of surveyor.

1300.0130 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Submittal documents.** Construction documents, special inspection and structural observation programs, and other data shall be submitted in one or more sets with each application for a permit.

Exception: The building official may waive the submission of construction documents and other data if the nature of the work applied for is such that reviewing of construction documents is not necessary to obtain compliance with the code.

The building officer may require plans or other data be prepared according to the rules of the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design, chapter 1800, and Minnesota Statutes, sections 326.02 to 326.15, and other state laws relating to plan and specification preparation by occupational licenses. If special conditions exist, the building official may require additional construction documents to be prepared by a licensed design professional.

Subp. 2. **Information on construction documents.** Construction documents shall be dimensioned and drawn upon suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted when approved by the building official. Construction documents shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature, and extent of the work proposed and show in detail that it will conform to the code and relevant laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, as determined by the building official.

Subp. 3. **Manufacturer's installation instructions.** When required by the building official, manufacturer's installation instructions for construction equipment and components regulated by the code, shall be available on the job site at the time of inspection.

Subp. 4. **Site plan.** The construction documents submitted with the application for permit shall be accompanied by a site plan drawn to scale, showing the size and location of new construction and existing structures on the site, distances from lot lines, the established street grades, and the proposed finished grades, and it shall be drawn according to an accurate boundary line survey. In the case of demolition, the site plan shall show construction to be demolished and the location and size of existing structures and construction that are to remain on the site or plot. The building official may waive or modify the requirement for a site plan if the application for permit is for alteration or repair or when otherwise warranted.

Subp. 5. **Examination of documents.** The building official shall examine or cause to be examined the accompanying construction documents to ascertain whether the construction indicated and described complies with the requirements of the code and other pertinent laws and ordinances.

Subp. 6. **Approval of construction documents.** If the building official issues a permit, the construction documents shall be approved in writing or by a stamp, stating "Reviewed for Code Compliance," dated, and signed by the building official or an authorized representative. One set of the construction documents that were reviewed shall be retained by the building official. The other set shall be returned to the applicant, kept at the site of the work, and open to inspection by the building official or an authorized representative.

Subp. 7. **Previous approvals.** The code in effect at the time of application shall be applicable.

Subp. 8. **Phased approval.** The building official may issue a permit for the construction of foundations or any other part of a building or structure before the construction documents for the whole building or structure have been submitted, provided that adequate information and detailed statements have been filed complying with pertinent requirements of the code. The holder of the permit for the foundation

or other parts of a building or structure shall proceed at the holder's own risk with the building operation and without assurance that a permit for the entire structure will be granted.

Subp. 9. Design professional in responsible charge.

A. The building official may require the owner to engage and designate on the building permit application a licensed design professional who shall act as the licensed design professional in responsible charge. If the circumstances require, the owner shall designate a substitute licensed design professional in responsible charge who shall perform the duties required of the original licensed design professional in responsible charge. The building official shall be notified in writing by the owner if the licensed design professional in responsible charge is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties.

The licensed design professional in responsible charge shall be responsible for reviewing and coordinating submittal documents prepared by others, including phased and deferred submittal items, for compatibility with the design of the building.

When structural observation is required by the code, the inspection program shall name the individual or firms who are to perform structural observation and describe the stages of construction at which structural observation is to occur.

B. For the purposes of this part, deferred submittals are defined as those portions of the design that are not submitted at the time of the application and that are to be submitted to the building official within a specified period.

Deferral of any submittal items shall have the prior approval of the building official. The licensed design professional in responsible charge shall list the deferred submittals on the construction documents for review by the building official.

Submittal documents for deferred submittal items shall be submitted to the licensed design professional in responsible charge who shall review them and forward them to the building official with a notation indicating that the deferred submittal documents have been reviewed and that they have been found to be in general conformance with the design of the building. The deferred submittal items shall not be installed until their design and submittal documents have been approved by the building official.

C. Work regulated by the code shall be installed according to the reviewed construction documents, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the approved construction documents shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of construction documents.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 16B.59; 16B.61; 16B.64; 326B.101; 326B.106; 326B.13*

History: *27 SR 1471; 32 SR 5; L 2007 c 140 art 4 s 61; art 13 s 4*

Published Electronically: *February 19, 2009*

1300.0140 VIOLATIONS.

It is unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to erect, construct, alter, extend, repair, move, remove, demolish, or occupy any building, structure, or equipment regulated by the code, or cause any of those actions, in conflict with or in violation of the code. The building official may serve a notice of violation or order on the person responsible for the erection, construction, alteration, extension, repair, moving, removal, demolition, or occupancy of a building or structure in violation of the code, or in violation of a permit or certificate issued under the code. The order shall direct the discontinuance of the illegal action or condition and the abatement of the violation.

April 7, 2014

The Honorable James Hovland
Mayor of Edina
4801 W. 50th Street
Edina, MN 55424

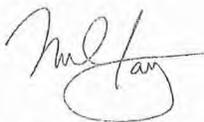
Dear Mayor Hovland,

Environmental Initiative invites you to attend the 20th annual Environmental Initiative Awards celebration on Thursday, May 22, in Minneapolis. At the celebration, which draws more than 350 attendees, we will honor innovative projects in Minnesota that have achieved extraordinary environmental results through collaboration. This annual event showcases Minnesota organizations, both public and private, who achieve great things by working together.

You will be pleased to learn that an organization in your district played a key role in one of the projects that will be recognized. Edina High School is a finalist in the Environmental Education category for its involvement in the Youth Environmental Activists Minnesota (YEA! MN) project, a vehicle for behavior change, this program connects youth across the Twin Cities metro to take coordinated action towards climate change solutions.

The Environmental Initiative Awards are on May 22, at 5:30 p.m. at the Nicollet Island Pavilion. The evening includes a reception, dinner, and awards program where winners in each category will be announced. Please RSVP to Dani Schurter at dschurter@environmental-initiative.org or 612-337-3388 ext. 137 by Monday, May 12th. More information can be found at environmental-initiative.org. We hope you can join us at the Environmental Initiative Awards celebration!

Sincerely,



Mike Harley
Executive Director
Environmental Initiative



April 02, 2014

Mayor James Hovland
4801 W. 50th St.
Edina, MN 55424

Dear Tree City USA Supporter,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, I write to congratulate Edina on earning recognition as a 2013 Tree City USA. Residents of Edina ought to be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority.

Your community joins more than 3,400 Tree City USAs, with a combined population of 140 million. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

As a result of your commitment to effective urban forest management, you already know that trees are vital to the public infrastructure of cities and towns throughout the country, providing numerous environmental, social and economic benefits. In fact, trees are the one piece of community infrastructure that actually increases in value over time.

We hope you are excited to share this accomplishment. Enclosed in this packet is a press release for your convenience as you prepare to contact local media and the public.

State foresters are responsible for the presentation of the Tree City USA flag and other materials. We will forward information about your awards to your state forester's office to coordinate presentation. It would be especially appropriate to make the Tree City USA award a part of your community's Arbor Day ceremony.

Again, we celebrate your commitment to the people and trees of Edina and thank you for helping to create a healthier planet for all of us.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Rosenow".

John Rosenow
Chief Executive

cc: Thomas Horwath

enclosure

For more information, contact:
Anthony Marek, 402-473-9563
amarek@arborday.org



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Arbor Day Foundation Names Edina Tree City USA

Edina, MN was named a 2013 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Edina achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

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"Everyone benefits when elected officials, volunteers and committed citizens in communities like Edina make smart investments in urban forests," said John Rosenow, founder and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Trees bring shade to our homes and beauty to our neighborhoods, along with numerous economic, social and environmental benefits."

Cleaner air, improved storm water management, energy savings and increased property values and commercial activity are among the benefits enjoyed by Tree City USA communities.

More information on the program is available at arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

About the Arbor Day Foundation: The Arbor Day Foundation is a million member nonprofit conservation and education organization with the mission to inspire people to plant, nurture, and celebrate trees. More information is available at arborday.org.



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The next phase of the bumpout involves public discussion of the experience of the neighbors of the 6000 and 6100 blocks. While the county and cities of Edina and Minneapolis have received emails, telephone calls and letters from interested and affected individuals, the upcoming meeting – see enclosure – affords the neighbors along both sides of the street to come together and discuss what they experienced and observed.

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At the conclusion of both meetings staff from both cities will be asked to confer with the policy makers of their respective cities to determine each city's interest in placement of permanent bumpouts along Xerxes Avenue. Upon receipt of the cities' positions the county will finalize its action steps. If the bumpouts are desired they will be installed as part of a paving overlay project in 2014. If the bumpouts are not desired, the paving overlay project will proceed accordingly. Regardless of the outcome, residents will be informed of what to expect as the paving overlay proceeds.

If you have any questions in regard to the upcoming meeting you are invited to contact my office at 612-596-0307 or james.grube@hennepin.us.

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WHEN: 6:30 PM, April 23, 2014

WHERE: Edina Community Lutheran Church
4113 – 54th Street



CenterPoint Energy Invites You to Xerxes Avenue Informational Community Meeting

April 2nd, 2014

Dear Property Owner:

At CenterPoint Energy, we are committed to providing timely and relevant information to our customers and the general public to minimize construction related inconvenience or disruption due to our construction activities.

In preparation for a Hennepin County paving project on Xerxes Avenue, Michels Corporation, an authorized CenterPoint Energy contractor, will replace approximately 5,700 feet of 2-inch, 3-inch and 6-inch steel pipe with plastic pipe along Xerxes Avenue S. from 54th Street W. to Highway 62 and relocate approximately 150 feet of 12-inch steel pipe at the intersection of Xerxes Avenue S. and 58th Street W. The work will also include replacing approximately 180 natural gas service lines. Our project will include removal of the temporary bump-outs for the pipeline construction. Hennepin County is working on a permanent solution for these bump-outs.

Michels Corporation, an authorized CenterPoint Energy contractor, is anticipated to start construction in mid-April, weather dependent, and require approximately three months to completion.

Representatives from CenterPoint Energy will contact residents whose gas service may be affected to schedule the necessary construction work on their property. In addition, your gas meter will be evaluated and replaced if necessary. If the gas meter is located inside your building, we will move it to an outside location.

CenterPoint Energy has provided safe, clean and efficient natural gas service to Minnesota communities for over 140 years. We are proud of this record and are always striving to improve it by educating the public about the benefits of natural gas and how to use it safely.

If you would like to learn more about this project, please attend our "Informational Community Meeting" scheduled for Wednesday, April 9th at 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the Edina Community Center, Room 332. The Edina Community Center is located on 5701 Normandale Road in Edina, MN, 55424. In addition, project information can be found on our website: www.centerpointenergy.com/construction.

Best Regards,

Kevin Joyce | Area Manager | CenterPoint Energy Minnesota Region

Office: 612-861-8572 Cellular: 612-366-3184

kevin.joyce@centerpointenergy.com

501 West 61st Street | Minneapolis, MN | 55419

Heather Branigin

From: Bruce Kieffer <bruce@kieffer.us>
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2014 8:52 AM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Grandview

Please immediately end the process to pursue redevelopment through the sale or lease of public land at 5146 Eden Avenue and to begin an open, inclusive process to identify and meet community needs through public use of this site. I agree strongly with the positions of the Citizens for a Better Grandview.

Bruce Kieffer
bruce@kieffer.us
<http://kieffer.us>

Heather Branigin

From: David Berglund <dberglu@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 09, 2014 6:20 PM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: RNAV Flights

Hi Jim -

I wanted to thank you for your commitment expressed in 'About Town' to influence potential RNAV flight patterns that could negatively impact the city. I'm sure you are aware of the potential frustrations by Edina residents and the possible economic impact that could result from changes that resulted in greater volume, or more regular flights over our area - so thanks for being our advocate.

Best regards,
David Berglund

5632 Beard Ave. S., Edina

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David Berglund

dberglu@gmail.com
Website: dberglund.com
Business: starterlabs.co

Heather Branigin

From: Miguel Azar <migueljazar@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 10, 2014 8:07 PM
To: Valerie.burke@edinaschools.org; Edina Mail; jonibennett12@comcast.net; Mary Brindle; joshsprague@edinarealty.com; swensonann1@gmail.com
Subject: St Thomas Visitation bus

Ms. Burke,

I am displeased with your ridiculous antics regarding the limited use of the Edina Community Center parking lot. As an Edina resident of over 40 years it is a shame one such as yourself is employed.

It is obvious you have nothing to do other than harass Edinians for no real purpose. What your motivation is, unclear.

I am ashamed that some fool hired you and that I am actually paying your salary. I suppose you have to justify your salary and existence by making happy people unhappy. Like the other unhappy Edina residents, I hope you get a good night sleep, clear your head, and try to be constructive and helpful to Edina taxpayers and children.

Have a fine day.

Miguel Azar



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In preparation for a Hennepin County paving project on Xerxes Avenue, Michels Corporation, an authorized CenterPoint Energy contractor, will replace approximately 5,700 feet of 2-inch, 3-inch and 6-inch steel pipe with plastic pipe along Xerxes Avenue S. from 54th Street W. to Highway 62 and relocate approximately 150 feet of 12-inch steel pipe at the intersection of Xerxes Avenue S. and 58th Street W. The work will also include replacing approximately 180 natural gas service lines. Our project will include removal of the temporary bump-outs for the pipeline construction. Hennepin County is working on a permanent solution for these bump-outs.

Michels Corporation, an authorized CenterPoint Energy contractor, is anticipated to start construction in mid-April, weather dependent, and require approximately three months to completion.

Representatives from CenterPoint Energy will contact residents whose gas service may be affected to schedule the necessary construction work on their property. In addition, your gas meter will be evaluated and replaced if necessary. If the gas meter is located inside your building, we will move it to an outside location.

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If you would like to learn more about this project, please attend our "Informational Community Meeting" scheduled for Wednesday, April 9th at 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the Edina Community Center, Room 332. The Edina Community Center is located on 5701 Normandale Road in Edina, MN, 55424. In addition, project information can be found on our website: www.centerpointenergy.com/construction.

Best Regards,

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April 15, 2014

Mayor James Hovland
City of Edina
4801 50th Street West
Edina, MN 55424

Dear Mayor Hovland;

Thank you for City of Edina's recent contribution of 66 pounds of food to VEAP. This contribution will have an immediate impact on families in our community during times of financial crisis to help them regain stability.

We've been in our new location for just over three months and the impact on VEAP's ability to serve our community was immediate. During these first three months, over 650,000 pounds of food were distributed through VEAP's Food Pantry – a 20% increase from first quarter last year! In one day alone, 170 families were able to visit the pantry and select a seven day supply of food -- with room to spare. VEAP's old pantry was at capacity when it served 120 families a day. The move to our new home has also decreased the wait for a pantry appointment; from an average of five days to next day or even same day appointments. This makes a tremendous difference to families such as Carla's. When Carla's car broke down, she needed to cancel her appointment. When she called to reschedule, she was so grateful that she didn't have to wait a week for an appointment. Carla was able visit the pantry the following day and didn't have to worry about how she would feed her young family.

On behalf of all the families and individuals VEAP serves, thank you again for your support. Together we are building a stronger community.

Sincerely,

Patty Schulz
Advancement Director

P.S. Volunteers are critical to VEAP's ability to deliver services to our neighbors in need. Consider sharing your time and talents and become a VEAP volunteer. Visit www.veap.org/volunteer or call 952.955.8332 for more information.

Please consider this letter your receipt. VEAP is a 501 (c)(3) organization and all contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. No goods or services were received in exchange for this contribution.

Heather Branigin

From: Mic OBrien <micobrien@ebureau.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2014 10:48 PM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Grandview Property Concerns

To the Members of the Edina City Council -

I am writing with concerns related to the development of the Grandview property. While hardly an expert on the history of this property, I am becoming aware that the City is potentially rushing towards a partnership with a private developer (with corresponding commercial development, likely), rather than heeding the advice of the Grandview Community Advisory Team (CAT). This does not make sense to me, as it is my understanding that the CAT was specifically organized by the City to give the citizens of Edina a voice in the process.

I have spent significant time at the Edina Community Center over the past decade. While it has served our community well, it is clearly time to replace it with an updated facility that is comparable to those found in nearby cities. The Grandview property appears to be a unique, centrally located piece of land, that would make an ideal spot for a community center. It is doubtful that another opportunity will present itself like this one for a long time, if ever.

As representatives of the citizens of Edina, I urge you to refrain from making a decision on this property until all options have been fully vetted. Your constituents deserve to be included in this process, given a detailed explanation of all options, and provided with a method to clearly voice their opinions.

Thank you for your consideration,

Mic O'Brien
4052 Sunnyside Rd.
952.848.7607

Heather Branigin

From: Amy M. <amyminge71@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 8:34 AM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: For Mayor Hovland

Hi Jim,

I think you're doing a terrific job, but I have to say that I think you might get a little flak for the quote in this morning's Star Tribune.

I just did a Google search for "Health Clubs Edina, MN," and clicked on the Google map that was generated. From the map, it appears that all of Edina (excepting south Edina) is in a black hole for health clubs. I know that north Edina has "Anytime Fitness," but in terms of a place to bring the family for recreation and overall health improvement, it isn't what most people would desire. (The place is the size of my son's bedroom, and there isn't really a pool, unless you count the sink in the bathroom.)

I don't think people are opposed to hearing from developers, but I think that ***first*** they'd like to hear from a consultant as to public-use possibilities. My fear is that the developers' options will be easier to implement, and will be moved forward upon, without fully exploring alternative options.

Obviously the Star Tribune has a way of not fully representing a person's viewpoint, and I realize this. However, in the event that they've represented the full picture, I wanted to pass along an alternative viewpoint. I guess that's what democracy is about.

Regardless of this issue though, I want to thank you for your hard work. I can't say I envy your job as mayor!

Thanks again,
Amy Minge
(northwest Edina constituent)

Heather Branigin

From: Adrian Bordone <demonstrating.outcomes@socialsolutions.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 10:05 AM
To: James Hovland
Subject: RE: Interoperability and Rapid-Cycle Evaluation

Gary Glickman, with the US Dept of Treasury will be joining us next week, Wed, 4/23, for a webinar on the Pay for Success (PFS) Incentive Fund, and the federal approach to Pay for Success/Social Impact Bonds (PFS/SIB) in general. [Click here to register](#). This webinar will actually be in advance of our previously-mentioned May 8 webinar on Rapid-Cycle Evaluation with Mathematica (which has since expanded to include SIB Readiness Assessment). The interest is phenomenal and is only continuing to grow!

Next week, Gary will be joined by John Tambornino of DHHS, Tracey Rutnik of the Aspen Institute and Joe Miller of Wyman Center. John will be speaking to what types of programs and services HHS plan to fund via a PFS method, and what types of programs/services are outside the purview of HHS' PFS plan.

While this webinar will include the basics of PFS/SIB ("what is it?"), the focus of the webinar will be how efforts like the PFS Incentive Fund are encouraging state and local government, as well as private investors, to take action in funding evidence-based human services programming, and how service providers, such as Wyman Center, are preparing themselves for this growing movement. There will also be an opportunity for Q&A.

If you're not free during the assigned live presentation, you can still register so that a recording of the webinar will be sent to you in early May.

This webinar is the first in a series: [Building a SIB-Ready Sector](#). Future webinars in the series will feature experts from groups including Mathematica (as you may recall), Third Sector Capital Partners, Caffeinated Capital, and Urban Institute. Please feel free to share this invitation with any colleagues, peers or other stakeholders who might find value in learning more about SIB/PFS funding and replicating evidenced-based best practices.

Best,
Adrian

Adrian Bordone
SVP and Co-Founder
[Social Solutions](#)

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Heather Branigin

From: Vose, Robert J. <rvose@Kennedy-Graven.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 10:29 AM
To: Edina Mail; 'joshsprague@edinarealty.com'
Cc: Scott Neal; 'Amy Vose'
Subject: Public Works site

Mayor and CM Sprague:

I was interested in the Strib article today. We live across 100 from the community center (5817 Eastview), our kids attend Normandale, and this site is the closest redevelopable site to our home. From the City's website, I see that a great deal of community input has been obtained leading to the Grandview Small Area Plan. Given that, reaching out to developers for concepts or proposals at this point makes sense.

That said, I know my neighborhood and neighborhoods around us have a very high interest in redevelopment of this site. Yet until today I was unfamiliar with the Grandview Plan and largely unaware of that planning process. I recognize the process to-date has already afforded many opportunities for public input, and its clear that existing businesses, residents in closer proximity to the site, and other community leaders have been very engaged. But I believe recent demolition activities at the site and today's article will greatly increase interest and awareness among an even broader audience. I'm certain there will be demand for additional public process. I know that staff and council always ensure ample opportunities for such input.

Thanks for your service to the City. And CM Sprague, looking forward to seeing you and Johnny at the rink soon.
Bob Vose



Hennepin County Public Works

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Public Works Facility
1600 Prairie Drive
Medina, MN 55340-5421

Phone: 612-596-0300
FAX: 612-321-3410

www.hennepin.us

April 16, 2014

Dear Resident:

As a resident of the 5400 to 6000 blocks of Xerxes Avenue or as a resident of the intersecting streets you are invited to attend a meeting – see enclosure – to discuss the potential for bumpout construction along Xerxes Avenue between 60th and 54th Streets. A similar meeting is being held a week earlier for residents of Xerxes Avenue between the Crosstown Highway and 60th Street where temporary bumpouts were installed over the winter. The purpose of that meeting is similar to this meeting – should permanent bumpouts be constructed as part of the county's 2014 paving program which will result in the replacement of the Xerxes Avenue pavement surface south of 54th Street.

Both meetings will be attended by representatives of Edina and Minneapolis, who, at the conclusion of the meetings, will confer with policy makers of the respective cities to determine each city's interest in placement of permanent bumpouts along Xerxes Avenue. Upon receipt of the cities' positions the county will finalize its action steps. If the bumpouts are desired they will be installed as part of the county's paving program. If they are not desired paving will proceed accordingly. Regardless of the outcome, residents will be informed of what to expect as the paving proceeds.

If you have any questions in regard to the upcoming meeting you are invited to contact my office at 612-596-0307 or james.grube@hennepin.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James N. Grube".

James N. Grube, P.E.
Director, Transportation Department and County Engineer

Enclosure

C: Mayor Jim Hovland, City of Edina
Council Member Joni Bennett, City of Edina
Council Member Linea Palmisano, City of Minneapolis
Jan Callison, Hennepin County Commissioner
Mark Nolan, City of Edina
Chad Milner, City of Edina
Jon Wertjes, City of Minneapolis
Steve Mosing, City of Minneapolis
Greg Chock, Hennepin County
John Griffith, Minnesota Department of Transportation

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REMEMBER

WHAT: Meeting to discuss potential for bumpouts along Xerxes Avenue between 60th and 54th Streets

WHEN: 6:30 PM, April 28, 2014

WHERE: Edina Community Lutheran Church
4113 – 54th Street

Heather Branigin

From: Frazell, Kevin <KFrazell@lmc.org>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 9:55 AM
To: Mayor's Association
Cc: Oxley, Jamie
Subject: [mayorassoc] Last Chance to Register for Next Week's MN Mayor's Annual Conference

Mayors, don't miss out!! This is your last chance to [register for the 2014 Minnesota Mayors Association Annual Conference](#) in Fergus Falls April 25-26. In a workshop led by Kathie Novak, former mayor of Northglenn, Colorado and Past President of the National League of Cities, participants will focus on civility and what mayors can do to promote civility both at city hall and in the community. The workshop will be very interactive!!

The conference will also feature remarks from Chris Coleman, Mayor of St. Paul and current President of the National League of Cities, an overview of state historic preservation programs from Stephen Elliot, Executive Director of the Minnesota Historical Society, and plenty of site seeing, mainly related to historic preservation around Fergus Falls. And, of course, they'll be plenty of social and networking time. Host Mayor Hal Leland and the MMA Executive Committee have worked hard to make sure both the educational and social programs will be engaging and well worth your time.

This weekend of events is the perfect opportunity to discuss your challenges and successes with others who have been in your shoes—[register today!](#)

Also, be sure to make your hotel reservation by calling the Best Western Bigwood Event Center today—218-739-2211! Rooms are extremely limited for both Friday and Saturday evening.

Hope you see you next Friday in Fergus!!

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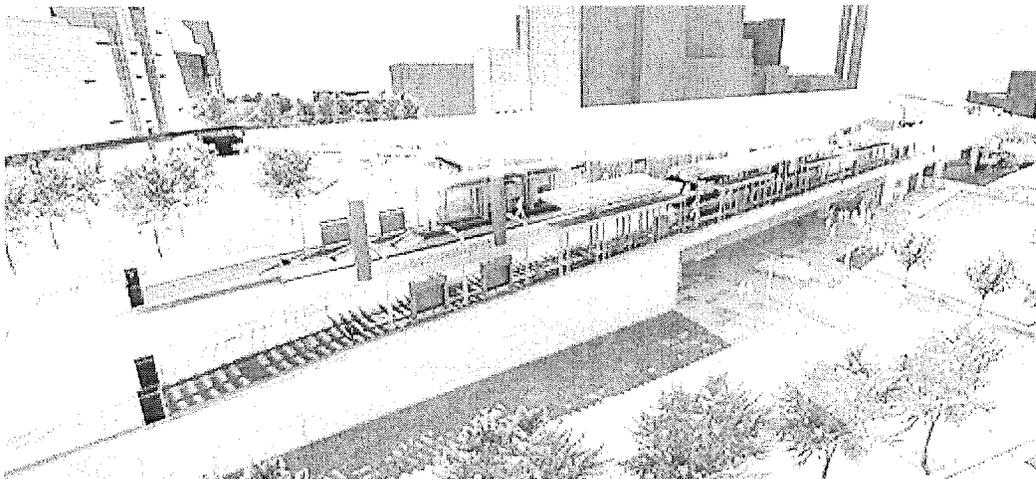
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Heather Branigin

From: Hennepin County <hennepin@public.govdelivery.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 3:56 PM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Target Field Station grand opening invitation

TARGET FIELD STATION

You're invited to celebrate a
new community connection!



Grand Opening

Saturday, May 17

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Overview of festivities

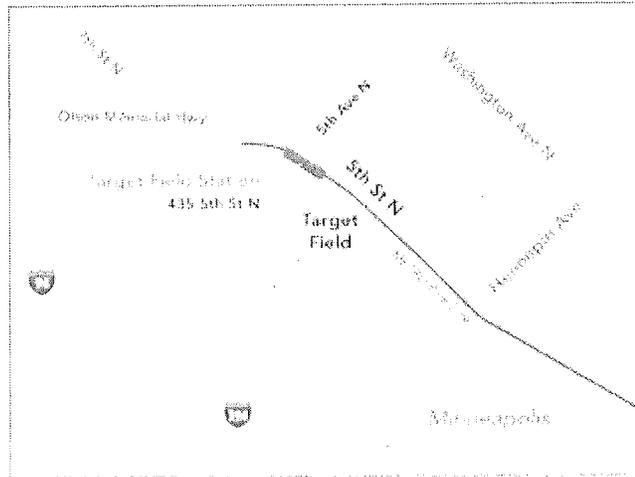
- 1-5:30 p.m. Music and activities
- 3 p.m. Ribbon cutting and program
- 6:10 p.m. Twins vs. Mariners game

Find details on www.hennepin.us.

Take the METRO Blue Line,
the Northstar commuter rail, walk or
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435 5th Street N.
Minneapolis, MN 55401



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Heather Branigin

From: Marie Sullivan <mariesullivan87@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 5:34 PM
To: Edina Mail; ann swenson; Josh Sprague; Joni Bennett; Mary Brindle (Comcast); Cary Teague; Scott Neal
Subject: How to "Move on" from Fred Richards debate
Attachments: Councilman Sprague.docx

Dear City Officials,

Attached is a letter hoping to add explanation to why it is very difficult for residents to "move on" from the Fred Richards golf course dilemma.

Again, I'd like to thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Marie Sullivan

Councilman Sprague,

Thank you for replying to my email. I apologize if I have my facts wrong. My neighbor believes she was misrepresented in the paper and I would not want to contribute to more of that. But we cannot yet "Move on", as you suggest. With so much inaccurate information out there, we need clarification. We also need to repair trust so we can move on together.

Mr. Sprague, you were elected to the council because you put a lot of time and energy into making sure that 70th street residents got to decide how to re-design the street. People thought you would make a good council member because they believed you supported neighborhood involvement and the value of stakeholder input. Yet now, as we face a change that greatly impacts our neighborhood and home values, you are not giving us the same rights, respect and consideration you fought for in your neighborhood. Perhaps because you were so publically seen as someone who went all out for inclusion, residents expect you to support them when their neighborhoods face changes. Regarding the Fred Richards issue, you suggest we need to "Move on." But I don't think you would have put up with the city telling you how it was going to re-design 70th street without your input, and if you didn't like it, having them tell you it's time to "Move on."

If a City's decision is right on merit, then the city should not be afraid to openly discuss the decision early on with the stakeholders. If you are tired of hearing us complain, remember that residents complain mainly because they view a change as being very harmful to them. If you believe closing Fred Richards is not harmful to our neighborhood, then you owe it to us as an elected official to show residents how it is not harmful.

We bought homes here thinking the golf course was here to stay. I don't think we should be expected to simply go along with the decision to take away an amenity that enhances our neighborhood to support one that enhances another neighborhood. Neither should we allow a decision as to how the land will be used in the future to be made without our input. (Especially when others with power and bargaining strength such as developers and athletic boosters are involved.) To make this decision without including us in the process shows a lack of respect for us and our home values. We most certainly have a right to hear the real reason the golf course is being closed. We most definitely have a right to decide how that land is used and be given ample opportunity to help you understand the impact this land's use has on our immediate neighborhood.

Please understand that we already deal with so much freeway and airplane noise. We do not need more noise from yelling and screaming and whistles from athletic facilities. The golf course was a perfect, peaceful buffer for our neighborhood.

Also, our neighborhood currently benefits from low traffic volume due to our closed in area with few outlets. We love this notable and valuable asset! It is an important buffer to our neighborhood! We are understandably very concerned that on top of losing the golf course, we might have to put up with more traffic and parking issues if athletic fields are installed.

In order for us to trust the city government, we need to see by its actions that it respects and represents our point of view enough to work with us. We also need the facts to be explained. I think the City erred in not being forthcoming and open and inclusive.

A precious gem in our city's jewel box is that we offer a quiet, suburban neighborhood so close to downtown Minneapolis. If we allow over-development in areas like Pentagon Park to build dense and tall, we create a man-made tsunami of buildings that imminently encroaches on our

suburban island, devouring a very unique and rare asset. If people want urban, they can get it elsewhere. Please be very careful not to destroy a most unique attribute! If we look forward, but not forward enough, we could irreparably wipe out something very valuable.

I think that sometimes before we can move on, we have to be willing to first go back a step or two and take the time to clarify information and correct misconstrued perceptions. I hope that the city will make sure it treats our neighborhood fairly and with respect going forward.

There is still time to mend fences and fix mistakes. It would be so nice if we could all move on together in a cooperative and trusting manner. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Marie Sullivan

Heather Branigin

From: Sprague, Josh <joshsprague@edinarealty.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 6:51 PM
To: 'Marie Sullivan'; Edina Mail; ann swenson; Joni Bennett; Mary Brindle (Comcast); Cary Teague; Scott Neal
Subject: RE: How to "Move on" from Fred Richards debate

Marie:

I honestly appreciate your continuing to reach out on this issue, although, as before, I believe there are still many inaccuracies in your letter about both me and the process. The "real reason" for closing the golf course is reflected in the copious staff reports and discussion we had on the dais. The tenor of the debate was sullied by the misbehavior of a few residents who used tactics we never, ever used on 70th during our organizing work there. It was a more compressed decision timeline than 70th, that is for sure, and I understand how that could impact feelings about the final outcome. In the end, the Council as a body, in conjunction with our staff and park board, decided to move forward with this time-sensitive decision to close the Fred. And now the current reality is that we need to plot out what park amenities should exist on this beautiful piece of land to best meet our community needs while minimizing any unreasonable impacts to the adjacent neighborhood. I would not have made this decision if I was not 100% clear in my heart that it was the right thing to do, long-term, for all of my constituents. I still retain that belief in moving forward on the park planning process.

I am happy to sit down with you for coffee anytime to clarify some of the points you bring up in your letter – in fact I invite you to come over anytime to my home – I'm just down the street! I am also happy to hear from you and others about their vision, and their concerns, regarding the future park uses as well. I hope we can do this in a more respectful, and civil, manner than what has taken place heretofore.

Warmest regards,

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From: Marie Sullivan [<mailto:mariesullivan87@gmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 5:34 PM
To: Edina Minnesota; ann swenson; Sprague, Josh; Joni Bennett; Mary Brindle; cteague@edinamn.gov; sneal@edinamn.gov
Subject: How to "Move on" from Fred Richards debate

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Again, I'd like to thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Marie Sullivan

Heather Branigin

From: Connie Carrino <crcarrino@q.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2014 11:59 PM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Lakes and Pond Management

Dear Mayor Hovland and City Council Members:

I hope this email note makes it to you in time for your April 22 meeting packets. It is fitting, I believe, that on Earth Day 2014 your agenda includes a presentation by Laura Adler, Water Resources Coordinator, regarding a new lakes and ponds management policy for the city.

As a homeowner who lives adjacent to Lake Nancy, I received information from Ms. Adler about three meetings to garner stakeholder input regarding management of Edina's lakes and ponds. The meetings were well attended and Ms. Adler did an exceptional and professional job of organizing the process, moderating the meetings, coordinating stakeholder input and then communicating each step.

What I learned by attending the meetings is that there are no easy and quick answers to the numerous systemic issues surrounding the diminishing water quality of our lakes and ponds. Yet, as an important part of the environment, all stakeholders (residents, city staff, organizations) should look for opportunities to improve and sustain these valued assets.

I support the proposal that Ms. Adler is presenting to the Council with a few added suggestions. Please consider increasing the lakes/pond management budget to:

- Allow the Water Resources staff to contact and reach out to more homeowners adjacent to all lakes ponds—not just those lakes/ponds large enough to qualify for treatment—to encourage the formation of lake associations or groups. A few neighbors in our area are looking into this, but we certainly could use the assistance of the city staff to help with organization, communication and obtaining data. For smaller ponds where lake groups or associations may not be feasible, perhaps neighborhood groups could be stewards and “adopt” the ponds to help improve water quality and aesthetics. And...
- Increase communication city-wide about stormwater management and discouraging the use of fertilizers. This education should not be limited to just homeowners who live adjacent to lakes/ponds. Runoff from all properties eventually flows into lakes, ponds and streams. And...
- Help collect additional water quality data to share with homeowners, especially those organizing lake groups or associations, so that they, in turn, have a way to measure if lake improvement efforts are working. With additional data perhaps Edina's lakes/ponds would qualify for state or federal water improvement grants.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best regards,

Connie Carrino
4509 Garrison Lane
Edina, MN 55424

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES)

Southwest Minneapolis Interceptor Rehabilitation Project Update – 4/17/14

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services (MCES), operator of the metro-area wastewater collection and treatment system, is beginning rehabilitation work on aging and deteriorating regional sanitary sewers in the Linden Hills Neighborhood of Minneapolis and in a small portion of St. Louis Park.

Traffic Impacts Beginning This Week and the Week of April 21:

- The intersection of France Ave. S. and 39th St. W. will need to close overnight on or about the night of April 21 (weather dependent). This will allow us to bury the temporary wastewater conveyance pipe under the street and restore the street surface, and do so at a time when traffic is at a minimum. The intersection would re-open the following morning. During the short-term closure, traffic will be detoured via 38th St. W., Ewing Ave. S., and 40th St. W.
- 39th St. W. between Glenhurst Ave. in St. Louis Park and Drew Ave. S. in Minneapolis will close to thru traffic, but be open for access to local residents and open at France Ave. S. This will allow us to install temporary pumps and piping to convey wastewater past the sections of sewers that need to be rehabilitated, then begin the work of installing a lining inside the existing sewer and repairing the manholes. Pumps set up at the intersection of 39th St. W. and Glenhurst Ave. will need to run through much of the day and may occasionally run during the night to keep the wastewater moving through this area. We will work to minimize the noise from these pumps.

Where and When Will the Work Take Place?

Regional sewer rehabilitation project areas are located as follows:

- **MCES sewer 1-MN-342 (spring to fall 2014):** France Ave. from 42nd St. W. to 41st St. W., 41st St. W. from France Ave. to Ewing Ave. S., Ewing Ave. S. from 41st St. W. to 39th St. W., and 39th St. W. from Ewing Ave. S. to Drew Ave. S.
- **MCES sewer 1-MN-341 (spring/summer 2014):** on 39th St. W. from Drew Ave S. to France Ave. S. in Minneapolis, and on 39th St. W. from France Ave S. to approximately Glenhurst Ave. in St. Louis Park.

How Will the Work Be Done?

MCES sewer 1-MN-342 is very badly deteriorated and sagged and will require total reconstruction. The work will involve excavation and removal of the old sewer pipe and maintenance holes, installation of new support piling, and installation of new sewer pipes and maintenance holes. The work is planned to start this spring and be completed by fall 2014. Sections of the streets will need to be closed temporarily while the sewer is being replaced. Streets will be repaved and any affected landscape will be restored as part of the project.

For **MCES sewer 1-MN-341**, a liner will be installed in the existing sewer using trenchless technology, which will help reduce the amount of excavation required. Sewer maintenance holes will be repaired or replaced as needed. The sewer rehabilitation work will require diversion of wastewater through temporary pipes that generally will be above ground, but they will be buried at driveway entrances and roadway crossings. Except as allowed by the Minneapolis Traffic Department, these temporary sewer pipes will not block any roadways. Small excavations will be needed at all maintenance holes and at several additional locations for the temporary sewer pipes. The work will consist of seven main activities: cleaning the sewer; minor pavement removal; setting up temporary pumps and diversion pipes to convey wastewater past the repair area; installing a new lining inside the existing sewer; removing the temporary wastewater conveyance system; rehabilitating the existing manholes; and restoring disturbed areas.

Heather Branigin

From: Suzanne Kerwin <skerwin@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, April 18, 2014 8:42 AM
To: Edina Mail
Subject: Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative

Please forward this invitation to the Mayor, Council and Board and Commission members.
Thank you,
Suzanne Kerwin, LWV Edina

LWVE annual meeting on Thursday, May 8 at St. Alban's Church, Edina



Lee Blons, Executive Director of Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative, will speak at our May 8th Annual Meeting, on the topic, "Yes in Our Backyard: Housing for Homeless Youth in the Southwest Suburbs." Beacon is a collaboration of 50 churches working to end homelessness in the metro area.

Beacon has acquired the building at 3330 West 66th Street, across the street from Southdale Mall and JC Penney. Beacon plans to turn this building into supportive housing for about 40 homeless young adults. Edina Community Lutheran Church is planning this project along with Beacon.

Meeting Schedule:

6:30-Refreshments and sign in

7:00-Speaker: Lee Blons', Executive Director of Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative

7:45-Business meeting, LWV Edina members only

St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 6716 Gleason Rd., is located one mile south of Highway 62 West, at the corner of Gleason and Valley View Roads.

The League of Women Voters Edina is a non-partisan political organization that encourages the informed and active participation in government, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

For more information, visit **LWV Edina on facebook** or www.lwvedina.org.