

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
APRIL 3, 2001
7:00 P.M.**

ROLLCALL Answering rollcall were Members Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica and Mayor Maetzold.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh approving the Council Consent Agenda as presented.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Motion carried.

***MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 20, 2001, APPROVED** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Edina City Council of March 20, 2001.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

PUBLIC HEARING SOUND ABATEMENT IMPROVEMENT Affidavits of Notice were presented, approved and ordered placed on file.

City Engineer Presentation

Mr. Hoffman reviewed the noise mitigation work done and attempted in Edina over the past several years. Mr. Hoffman reported that the City has received a petition from residents directly north of Brenden Glen requesting a sound abatement wall similar to what the Brenden Glen developer is doing for his development. The structure would be ten feet high and made of concrete that would appear as simulated wood. The total project cost is estimated at about \$80,000 with individuals being assessed between \$2,000 and \$3,000 each depending on their proximity to McCauley Trail. Mr. Hoffman used a graphic to show where the proposed sound wall would be constructed along west side of McCauley Trail South just north of the new Brenden Glen Plat. The wall would extend north to the lot at 6455 McCauley Trail.

Mr. Hoffman stated that the petition includes nineteen dwelling units considered to benefit from the sound wall based on neighborhood review. He added that he believed eleven or twelve of the units agree. Mr. Hoffman said he had heard from four of the 19 residents, three supported the project and one opposed it. Additionally, as requested by Council 114 informational letters were sent to individuals along the Crosstown west of Gleason and along T.H. 169 along the east side T.H. 169 informing them of the public hearing. Mr. Hoffman had heard from several residents expressing some interest in a project.

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Mr. Hoffman informed the Council he had been working with MN/DOT to identify potential areas in the City regarding state funding. He said MN/DOT indicated that some funds might be authorized during the current legislative session.

Mr. Hoffman suggested that the Council continue the hearing, while allowing staff to solicit bids. He also suggested that the special assessment hearing be held and the project assessed before it was constructed to ascertain whether there would be any appeals to the assessment.

Member Masica asked what impact sound abatement constructed by the State of Minnesota would have on the current project; what percent of the nineteen property owners must agree to the project; and how do the other 114 residents get in on the current project. Mr. Hoffman explained that if the State constructed sound walls, the current project would not be necessary. He added that it was too late for any additional residents to "get in" on the proposed project, but that they could get their neighborhoods to petition the City.

Member Hovland stated he thought the Council had assumed that neighborhoods' sound abatement has strong merit to neighborhoods. He added the Council must decide what is wanted from sound abatement and what is wanted aesthetically. Member Hovland said he did not want to leap into wrapping the city in concrete. He felt that a determination is needed of what value the sound abatement would add to property being assessed.

Mayor Maetzold suggested continuing the hearing until more information could be gathered.

Public Comment

Sohan Uppal, owner of 6505 and 6507 McCauley Trail South, stated he was not in support of the project if funded only by owners' special assessment. He said there needs to be a balance between sound abatement and aesthetics. Mr. Uppal said he signed the petition to be neighborly, but he does not agree with the proposed apportionment, stating it should be on linear feet and not an area assessment.

Jack Hipp, 6442 Margarets Lane, thanked Mr. Hoffman and the citizen group for their work. Mr. Hipp said that he understood the Brenden Glen developer's sound wall was already approved for construction. He suggested that if the City were looking for a way to help the neighbors out with the cost of the sound wall, they could perhaps relieve the neighbors of paying any interest on the project.

Bill Deuit, 6812 Indian Hills Road, stated his support of the project and suggested adding a berm to it. Mr. Hoffman explained there was not room for a berm for most of the proposed project area.

Tom Aldrich, 6444 Margaret Lane, added his support of the project.

Peter Peterson, 6815 Indian Hills Road, stated he also supported the project.

Ed Silva, 6525 McCauley Trail asked that his neighborhood also be included in having sound walls built.

Dennis Cooper stated he supported the project.

Tim Hagemeyer, 6717 Sioux Trail, asked that a sound wall project be initiated in his neighborhood. Mayor Maetzold explained that citizens interested in an improvement in their neighborhood could submit a petition to initiate such a project.

Mr. Hughes suggested that if the Council desired to continue the hearing they do so until June 5, 2001. By then, the legislative session would have ended, staff can solicit and review bids, and the special assessments could be acted on at the same time.

Following a brief discussion, **Member Housh made a motion to continue the public hearing to June 5, 2001; to authorize the City Engineer to write specifications and solicit bids and setting the special assessment hearing for June 5, 2001.** Member Kelly seconded the motion.

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold
Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO 2001-2 APPROVED INCREASING PARKING PERMIT FEES FOR 50TH & FRANCE Mr. Hughes explained that the parking fees for the City ramps had not been increased for two years. Offering permitted parking allows the business in the 50th and France Business District provides parking for their employees and encourages employees to leave the “prime” spots for customers. The fees collected are used for parking enforcement and maintenance of the city ramps in the area. Following a brief discussion: Member **Kelly introduced the following ordinance and moved it passage including waiving second reading:**

**Edina Ordinance No. 2001 - 2
An Ordinance Amending Section 185
of the City Code Increasing Certain Fees**

The City Council of the City of Edina Ordains:

Section 1. Section 185 - Schedule A is amended by changing the following fee:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Subsection</u>	<u>Purpose of Fee or Charge</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1235	1235.03 Subd. 2	50 th & France Parking Permit	\$3.75 per month pro-rated

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon adoption.

Attest

_____ **City Clerk**

_____ **Mayor**

Adopted this 3rd day of April, 2001.

Member Housh seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Ordinance adopted.

***BID AWARDED FOR COMMODITIES PURCHASE FOR PUBLIC WORKS** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh for award of bid for sand, rock, bituminous materials, concrete and engine oil for period of one year, April 1, 2001, to April 1, 2002, to recommended low bidders as follows: Coarse Sand (delivered) to SA-AG at \$4.87 per ton; CL2. Limestone (delivered) to Edward Kramer and Son at \$8.91 per ton; FA-2 Seal Coat Chips (delivered) to Dresser Trap Rock at \$23.95 per ton; *Asphalt 2331 (Base Type 31 or 32) (picked up at plant) to Bituminous Roadways (vendedor 1) at \$21.50 per ton or Midwest Asphalt (vendedor 2) at \$25.00 per ton; *Asphalt 2331 (Base Type 41 or 42) (picked up at plant) to Bituminous Roadways (vendedor 1) at \$23.50 per ton or Midwest Asphalt (vendedor 2) at \$25.90; *Asphalt 2331 (Wear Type 41 or 42) (picked up at plant) to Bituminous Roadways at \$22.50 per ton or Midwest Asphalt at \$25.00 per ton; *Asphalt 2331 (Wear Type 31 or 32) (picked up at plant) to Bituminous Roadways at \$23.50 per ton or Midwest Asphalt at \$25.90 per ton; 2331 31/32 Asphalt Base (delivered) to Bituminous Roadways at \$26.50 per ton; 2331 41/42 Asphalt Base (delivered) to Midwest Asphalt at \$28.00 per ton; 2331 41/42 Asphalt Wear (delivered) to Bituminous Roadways at \$27.50 per ton; 2331 31/32 Asphalt Wear (delivered) to Midwest Asphalt at \$28.00 per ton; Concrete 3 plus yards (delivered) to Agg. Ind./Eagan at \$74.00 per cubic yard; Emulsified Asphalt CRS2 to Koch Pavement Solutions at \$0.7262 per gallon; Emulsified Tack Oil to Koch Pavement Solutions at \$0.7562 per gallon; Rubberized Crack Filler to Brock White at \$0.315 per pound; Manhole Covers to Ess Brothers at \$78.00 each; Engine Oil 15/40 to Hallman Oil at \$3.89 per gallon; Engine Oil 5W/30 to Hallman Oil at \$3.89 per gallon; Red Ball Aggregate to Bryan Rock at \$12.72 per ton; Lannon Stone Wall Repair to Bjork Stone at \$11.00 per square foot.

(*These items are awarded on the basis of total cost per ton including trucking and labor, and past year's performance)

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

***BID AWARDED FOR WATER TREATMENT CHEMICALS** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh for award of bid for Hydrofluosilic Acid and Liquid Chlorine and Polyphosphate Ortho-Phosphate Blend to recommended low bidder, Dixie Petro Chem. at \$45.37 per CWT; and for Caustic Soda to sole bidder, Hawkins Chemical at \$35.00 per CWT.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

***BID AWARDED FOR GREENS MOWERS (THREE) FOR BRAEMAR GOLF COURSE** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh for award of bid for three greens mowers for Braemar Golf Course to sole bidder, MTI Distributing, Inc., at \$45,653.00 plus tax.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-19 ADOPTED; AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM AUTHORIZED Mr. Hughes informed the Council the Family Affordable Housing Program (FAHP) is sponsored by the Metropolitan Council. FAHP is a new initiative by the Metropolitan Council to increase the supply of affordable rental housing in suburban Hennepin, Ramsey, and Anoka counties. The program has funding for up to 200 units. The

maximum in any community would be 20 units to be owned and managed by the Metropolitan Council. He introduced Jay Lindgren, Regional Administrator of the Metropolitan Council, to explain the program. Mr. Lindgren introduced Cecile Bedore, Manager of the Family Affordable Housing Program and Elizabeth Ryan, Director of Housing and Livable Communities.

Cecile Bedore explained benefits to Edina citizens in participating in the Family Affordable Housing Program as follows:

- Quality improvements made to all properties purchased by the Metropolitan Council, improving the quality of overall housing stock
- Thirty percent of all Edina FAHP units leased to Edina residents
- Participation in FAHP will gain additional points on upcoming transportation funding applications Edina submits to Metropolitan Council for consideration
- Upon request, Edina will be provided with technical services to help address planning for senior housing needs
- Edina Residents will be provided with long-term, quality, work-force housing for families
- Rental housing will be professionally managed, with resident screening to ensure residents with a successful rental experience
- Appropriate services provided to residents in the area of job attainment and enhancement
- Metropolitan Council will work with Edina staff to ensure acquisition that does not interfere with redevelopment plans or opportunities

The projected timeline for completion of the proposed project is April of 2002.

Council comments

Member Kelly asked for clarification of the City's position in the proposal. Ms. Bedore explained the program is funded under the Public Housing Program, and therefore, they are not allowed to pay taxes.

Member Housh asked what impact Edina will receive from a tax perspective. Ms. Bedore explained if all twenty units were paying taxes, the loss of tax revenue would be less than two-tenths of one percent of the real estate revenue generated. Member Housh asked which other cities have entered into agreements with the Metropolitan Council for the FAHP program. Ms. Bedore answered that Maple Grove, Blaine and Golden Valley so far have entered into agreements and other cities are in the consideration stages. Member Housh said if thirty percent of the residents were from Edina, would the other seventy percent be persons displaced from the Hollman project. Ms. Bedore commented that you cannot socially engineer persons and income is no predictor of where people want to live. Member Housh inquired if Edina has a waiting list for housing. Ms. Bedore said she did not know.

Member Masica asked the Council's indulgence while she read from a prepared statement. She said this was an issue she felt strongly about and urged the Council to think through very carefully approval of the proposed Affordable Housing Program. Member Masica expressed concern that once units are sold to public housing they would be out of local

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community control and off the tax rolls forever. Member Masica acknowledged the great need for public housing but urged that the Council also had a primary obligation to the residents who elected them to oversee the citizens' interests. Member Masica questioned whether participating in the Affordable Housing Program meshed with the City's 20/20 Vision. She stressed that the City must maintain the Section 8 housing that currently exists in Edina.

Member Masica described her personally negative experience with public housing while living in the City of Minneapolis and stated she did not want to see that same thing happen in Edina. She acknowledged the problems of affordable housing are huge, but concluded that pushing the problems into yet another city and introducing it into yet another area only would compound the problem and do an injustice to Edina's citizens who have entrusted the Council to make wise decisions on their behalf.

Member Hovland said admittedly the Metropolitan Council has a daunting task. He suggested Ms. Bedore share information on the process that would happen if the proposal were approved. Ms. Bedore explained a realtor would begin searching for affordable single family homes, townhomes and condominiums. The homes are examined carefully and when it is determined they are sound, they are purchased. Member Hovland asked if price parameters were considered in the purchasing of the homes. Ms. Bedore said it ends up being a market game. If one property requires less work, extra dollars can be used for another property requiring more work. The budget for property acquisition is currently at \$8,350,000. She explained that a property management company would handle the leasing following a standard leasing criteria. Site Managers will keep a close watch on the property to spot maintenance concerns as they occur. A strong point of a public housing program is that the City will be eligible for ongoing capital grants.

Member Housh stated it seems there is a rush to get this authorization in place. Ms. Bedore said there was an urgent need, but the April 2002 deadline comes from the Hollman Consent Decree. Member Housh asked if this were a one-time project. Ms. Bedore answered yes; HUD has gotten out of the business of developing public housing.

Member Hovland inquired whether support services would be offered to the residents, i.e. job services, transportation, etc. Ms. Bedore explained the process would be ongoing if approval were granted by the participating cities.

Mayor Maetzold asked what would the process be if a tenant were found to not be a good tenant. Ms. Bedore stated the lease would not differ from a standard lease. However, the Metropolitan Council wants first and foremost for the residents to succeed in this endeavor.

Member Kelly said he is a proponent of affordable housing but even more for home ownership, versus rentals. He asked if this program would be competitive with the East Edina Housing Foundation. Mr. Hughes said the program and the East Edina Housing Foundation would be a good match. Programs within the Foundation are for one hundred percent home ownership. One program, the Community Home Buyer program provides

down payment assistance for moderate-income purchasers and the other program is called Edina Home Partners for a fix-up program for moderate-income homeowners. The Foundation has not yet focused on rental housing which would require a deeper subsidy than the ownership program. Mr. Hughes said he believes there is room for both programs. Member Kelly said he is pleased that the housing stock is being improved. He voiced concern with what will happen to the housing if the program were to end. Ms. Bedore said this program should be looked at as a 40-year commitment. Member Kelly suggested if the program ends, a buy-back provision in favor of the City be made a part of the resolution. Mr. Lindgren explained he would ask HUD for some appropriate documentation on what the process would be if the program ended. Member Kelly asked for more information about the difficulties the City had with the Group Home on 49th Street. Mr. Hughes noted that different statutes govern residential facilities. The FAHP program has homes that are conventionally occupied rather than an institutional type of occupancy. Member Kelly asked if the elements for eviction include failure to comply with local ordinances. Ms. Bedore answered yes.

Resident Comment

Ardis Wexler, 4913 Larkspur Lane, commented that this is a great opportunity for Edina to develop affordable housing. She expressed that this was the type of positive reinforcement that creates good tax-paying citizens.

Member Kelly commented that he would feel more comfortable voting for the issue if the question he proposed regarding termination of the program was answered. Ms. Bedore responded that she is positive if the program terminated and HUD financing stayed in place, this would then continue to be public housing. If the contract with HUD were severed, that is the only tie to the use of the program. She asked for approval of the resolution with a 'subject to' clause included in a supplementary agreement. Member Kelly said he finds the program compelling because, 1) we as a community have to try to solve the affordable housing problem, 2) decentralization in scattered site housing is positive, and 3) residents living close to their work is a great benefit, 4) Edina has residents at present that need help and 5) that discretion is allowed in renting and eviction process.

Mayor Maetzold said this is a positive program and a step in the right direction in the metro area.

Member Housh indicated his approval of the way the program is structured and the fact that it is market-driven.

Member Masica said she attempted to hire persons from public housing when she was a business owner, and not one person applied.

Member Hovland commented that Edina usually does not get an opportunity to show that we are participants in the Minnesota Livable Communities Act. We are trying to help residents at Oak Glen and know that the Metropolitan Council will guide prospective residents into acquiring a good quality of life.

Member Kelly introduced the following resolution subject to an agreement being reached between the City of Edina and the Metropolitan Council addressing the issue of selling the properties back to the City of Edina if the Family Affordable Housing Program (FAHP) is terminated, and moved its approval:

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-19
APPROVING A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE
METROPOLITAN COUNCIL FOR THE ACQUISITION AND
OPERATION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN CONJUNCTION
WITH THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL'S FAMILY
AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING
THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE
THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council is authorized by Minnesota Statutes section 473.195 to exercise the functions, rights, duties, privileges, immunities and limitations as are provided for housing and redevelopment authorities created for municipalities; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the implementation of its Family Affordable Housing Program ("FAHP"), the Metropolitan Council proposed to acquire and administer residential properties ("FAHP Units") within the boundaries of the City, up to thirty percent of which units will be made available to eligible residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes section 473.195, subdivision 1 requires the Metropolitan Council to obtain the approval of the governing body of the City before the Metropolitan Council may implement its proposed housing initiative within the boundaries of the City; and

WHEREAS, federal law requires the Metropolitan Council to enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the City in connection with the proposed acquisition and operation of the FAHP Units.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 473.195 the City Council gives its prior approval to the Metropolitan Council's proposal to acquire and administer up to twenty (20) FAHP Units within the boundaries of the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council that the City's participation in the proposed housing initiative is conditioned on the understanding that the City will have the right to purchase any FAHP units owned by the Metropolitan Council at the termination of the FAHP; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council that the Mayor and the City Administrator are authorized to execute the Cooperation Agreement on behalf of the City. Adopted this 3rd day of April, 2001. Member Hovland seconded the motion.

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Maetzold

Nays: Masica

Resolution adopted.

*MEETING DATE SET OF MAY 17, 2001, FOR CANVASS OF ELECTION RESULTS
Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh setting May 17, 2001, at 5:00 P.M. for canvass of election results.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

***RESOLUTION NO. 2001-20 ADOPTED APPROVING 2001 HENNEPIN COUNTY RECYCLING GRANT** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh introducing the following resolution and moving its adoption:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-20
AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF EDINA
TO ENTER INTO A 2001
MUNICIPAL RECYCLING GRANT
AGREEMENT WITH HENNEPIN COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the City of Edina operates a recycling program consistent with Minnesota Statutes 115A.02 and 115A.03, as amended by the Laws of Minnesota 1992, Chapter, 685, and Minnesota Statutes, 473.8011; and

WHEREAS, the Edina Recycling Program is consistent with the Office of Environmental Assistance Solid Waste Management Development Guide/Policy Plan, the Hennepin County Solid Waste Master Plan; and the Hennepin County's Residential Recycling Funding Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Hennepin County Board has adopted a Resolution authorizing funding for Municipal Recycling Programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Edina City Council that the Mayor and the City Manager to enter into an Agreement with Hennepin County to accept funding for the Edina Recycling Programs.

Adopted this 3rd day of April, 2001.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-21 ADOPTED ORDERING VERNON/GLEASON SIGNAL IMPROVEMENT Mr. Hoffman explained the past year, the City has sought to install a traffic signal at Vernon Avenue (CSAH 158) and Gleason Road. The purpose of the installation is to help traffic management in the Parkwood Knolls area. The County re-evaluated the request but it still did not meet the County's minimum standard for installation.

Staff worked with the Commissioner's office and believes approval can be obtained subject to several conditions. A similar situation exists in Plymouth and staff believes Edina has a similar situation in that we have a trail coming from Bredeson Park (a sub-regional facility) which goes under Gleason Road and onto a sidewalk system along Vernon west of Gleason Road. Traffic delays are currently happening at the intersection and cause traffic from OPUS development to spill over into Parkwood Knolls because of the delays at Gleason and Vernon.

No Council or resident comments were heard.

Member Masica introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-21
A RESOLUTION INDICATING
THE WILLINGNESS OF THE CITY OF EDINA
TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH
HENNEPIN COUNTY ON SIGNAL INSTALLATION AT**

VERNON AVENUE (CSAH 158) AND GLEASON ROAD

WHEREAS, the City of Edina has sought to install a traffic signal at Vernon Avenue (CSAH 158) and Gleason Road to help traffic management in the Parkwood Knolls area; and

WHEREAS, Hennepin County has re-evaluated the City of Edina's request and found it did not meet the County's minimum standard for installation; and

WHEREAS, the City of Edina believes pedestrian safety is being compromised along a trail and with traffic interaction, emanating from Bredeson Park (a sub-regional facility) which meanders under Gleason Road and enters onto a sidewalk system along Vernon Avenue west of Gleason Road; and

WHEREAS, traffic delays are currently happening at the intersection causing traffic from the OPUS development from the City of Minnetonka to spill into the Parkwood Knolls neighborhood.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Edina authorizes an agreement with Hennepin County whereby, at the City's expense, it will prepare the necessary plans and specifications, advertise and receive bids, enter into a contract with the successful bidder, and perform the construction inspection; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Edina would pay one-hundred percent of the cost of the County-supplied traffic signal cabinet, controller and control equipment (estimated cost at \$15,000); and Hennepin County, upon completion of the project will perform maintenance and repair of the system.

Adopted this 3rd day of April, 2001.

Member Housh seconded the motion.

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-22 ADOPTED APPROVING CSAH 20 INTERLACHEN BOULEVARD JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER

Mr. Hoffman explained the City and County have been working on a jurisdictional transfer of County Road 20 (Interlachen Boulevard) for some time. The roadway was a combined state aid route for both the City and County and both could draw construction funds as part of their gas tax allocation. The state aid rules changed in 2000, not allowing combined routes. Edina, for many years, was receiving funds for our gas tax portion of state aid because the City had co-designated the roadway. The Edina Comprehensive Plan has the City as the ultimate roadway authority. Mr. Hoffman presented a copy of the jurisdictional revisions regarding County roadways versus City roadways. It is appropriate to change the jurisdiction and would leave in place the City's ability to continue drawing construction funds to our gas tax allocation and is consistent with highway functional class and who should operate which roadways. This roadway is on the low end of the County priority system and likely would never reach the construction priority such as a York Avenue would.

No Council or resident comments were heard.

Member Hovland introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-22
A RESOLUTION APPROVING**

**CSAH 20 - INTERLACHEN BOULEVARD
JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER
AGREEMENT NO. PW 20-11-00**

WHEREAS, the City of Edina and Hennepin County have been working on a jurisdictional transfer of County Road 20 (Interlachen Boulevard) for some time; and

WHEREAS, the roadway was a combined state aid route for both Edina and Hennepin County where both could draw construction needs as part of their Municipal/County State Aid Highway allocation; and

WHEREAS, during the year 2000, state aid rules changed not allowing combined routes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Edina recommends a jurisdictional transfer of County Road 20 (Interlachen Boulevard) from Hennepin County to the City of Edina and authorize the Mayor and Manager to sign said agreement No. PW 20-11-00.

Adopted this 3rd day of April, 2001.

Motion seconded by Member Housh.

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Motion carried.

COUNTRY CLUB TRAFFIC UPDATE PRESENTED Mr. Hoffman reported that the Country Club Neighborhood Committee, the Consultants (SRF) and City Staff have been meeting occasionally since the first of the year. Four issues/goals that have been worked on are as follows:

1. Reduce speeds to 25 MPH on all streets in the neighborhood
2. Reduce the amount of traffic on neighborhood streets to less than 1000/day
3. Raise level of STOP sign awareness and compliance
4. Follow-up on the 1993 study

Staff and the Consultants have met with the City of Minneapolis staff on ways to improve traffic flow at 50th and France because of its impact on the neighborhood. Minneapolis intends to spend approximately \$70,000 this year to upgrade signals. Edina, through its Public Works budget, will spend approximately \$30,000 for a signal interconnect and street work in coordination with Minneapolis Public Works. Hennepin County plans resurfacing work on France Avenue from West 49½ Street this year.

Mr. Hoffman said the neighborhood group has been evaluating alternatives that would influence travel behavior and trip destinations. The consultants have provided the group with traffic modeling results on the different options. The group discovered that when traffic calming and traffic diversion measures were examined, it was difficult to avoid affecting other areas.

He stated attempts to date have been to develop options eliminating some through-traffic trips more than softer traffic calming measures. Consultants provided information indicating that "traffic calming" alone without some traffic diversion probably would not achieve these goals.

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Mr. Hoffman explained that the group was attempting to reach a consensus of an alternative to be presented to the neighborhood. If the alternative received neighborhood support, it would come before the Council for public hearing and perhaps a recommendation to test the alternative during the summer months.

Following a brief discussion the Council reaffirmed its position that this study should be reflective of techniques that could be utilized throughout the City regarding traffic calming.

No formal action was taken.

PAVEMENT PATCHING ACTIVITIES UPDATED Mr. Hoffman reported that normally the process used for pavement patching is a "cold asphalt" mix to fill potholes during the winter months. Because "winter" is five months old and we still have snow on the ground, pavement damage has been exceptionally bad. During the past week the City was able to acquire "hot" asphalt mix from the City of St. Paul.

Mr. Hoffman stated the City owns and operates one two-man heated asphalt patching truck and will rent a second unit to augment the operation. Additionally, the City plans to hire two automated patching units with an operator for a short period of time to augment the City's winter patching efforts. Based upon the experience with the rental operators the City may consider purchasing a "milling machine".

No formal action was taken.

***PETITION RECEIVED REGARDING OAK GLEN TOWNHOMES** Motion made by Member Masica and seconded by Member Housh acknowledging receipt of citizen signatures regarding the Oak Glen Townhomes.

Motion carried on rollcall vote - five ayes.

JOINT COUNCIL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATE SET Mr. Hughes informed the Council that a joint meeting will be held with the School Board on April 17, 2001, at 6:00 PM, prior to the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

PROSPECTIVE CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISEES UNABLE TO COMPLETE FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS Mr. Hughes explained two prospective cable television franchisees; Everest Communications and WideOpenWest Communications have communicated that they will not be signing the final franchise agreements.

***CONFIRMATION OF CLAIMS PAID** Member Masica made a motion and Member Housh seconded the motion approving payment of the following claims as shown in detail on the Check Register dated March 23, 2001, and consisting of 28 pages: Cash Company \$420,000.00; General Fund \$146,262.31; CDBG Fund \$99.50; Communications Fund \$18.53; Working Capital Fund \$987.15; Art Center Fund \$2,806.36; Golf Dome Fund \$57.22; Aquatic Center Fund (\$31.62); Golf Course Fund \$34,411.96; Ice Arena Fund \$1,894.90; Edinborough/Centennial Lakes Fund \$34,759.55; Liquor Fund \$126,430.44; Utility Fund \$193,748.63; Storm Sewer Fund \$118,083.99 TOTAL \$1,079,528.92 and claims as shown in

detail on the Check Register dated March 28, 2001, and consisting of 30 pages: General Fund \$452,933.38; Communications Fund \$38.51; Working Capital Fund \$51,233.29; Construction Fund \$24,054.63; Art Center Fund \$21,178.37; Golf Dome Fund \$2,020.00; Golf Course Fund \$19,641.71; Ice Arena Fund \$1,148.74; Edinborough/Centennial Lakes Fund \$5,296.51; Liquor Fund \$103,044.48; Utility Fund \$7,842.95; Storm Sewer Fund \$1,000.00; Recycling Fund \$10.32; HRA Fund \$99,000.00 TOTAL \$788,442.89.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Motion carried.

DESIGNATION AND RESERVE OF FUND BALANCE APPROVED Director Wallin presented a report of the reserved and designated fund balances for year ending December 31, 2000. All of the reserved or designated balances were previously set up by the City Council and can be eliminated, added to, or moved.

Mr. Wallin explained that City revenues exceeded the budget by approximately \$1.7 million dollars and expenditures were approximately \$410,000 below budgeted expenditures. Initially, at the meeting of December 28, 2000, it was proposed that the \$463,000 budgeted contribution from the liquor fund to the general fund not be made. Now, it is being recommended that the liquor contribution be made into the revolving fund. The revolving fund is earmarked for financing construction projects and special assessment programs. The interest earnings will be an integral part of the capital improvement program. Mr. Wallin noted changes to the Reorganization of Reserves:

1. Our auditors have asked us to re-title our reserves to designations. The definitions of two are Reserve for Fund Balance and Unreserved: Designated. By establishing our designations as opposed to reserves, the Council has greater management flexibility to use the funds for what it wishes.
2. Smaller reserves have been combined into a category called "Designated for General Fund Operations". The City will use these funds for expenses until the first tax payment is received in June.

Mr. Hughes commented that it was a very good year for the City of Edina.

Member Masica asked what the acronym PSLO is. Mr. Wallin said Police School Liaison Officer.

Member Housh inquired if the liquor contribution has historically balanced the budget. Mr. Hughes answered that in other years the general fund budget has been a budgeted contribution from the liquor fund. Staff believes the liquor fund should be directed into the capital improvement fund to provide a larger revolving fund. By putting the liquor fund monies in either the general fund or the revolving fund, the impact is that less dollars are required from taxes.

Member Masica asked what has been done to encourage liquor sales. Assistant City Manager Anderson said that numerous advertising spots were purchased on Time-Warner Cable. The

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City continues to advertise in About Town and the Edina Sun-Current. The Southdale Liquor Store continues to grow at a faster pace than the other stores and this could be a result of the public awareness.

Member Kelly made a motion approving the designation and reserve of Fund Balance as presented. Mayor Maetzold seconded the motion

Ayes: Housh, Hovland, Kelly, Masica, Maetzold

Motion carried.

There being no further business on the Council Agenda, Mayor Maetzold declared the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

City Clerk