

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
JULY 20, 2010
5:00 P.M.**

ROLLCALL Answering rollcall were Members Bennett, Brindle, Housh, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Staff present: Gordon Hughes, City Manager; Heather Worthington, Assistant City Manager; John Wallin, Finance Director; Eric Roggeman, Assistant Finance Director; John Keprios, Park Director; Wayne Houle, City Engineer/Public Works Director; Jennifer Bennerotte, Communications and Marketing Director; Ceil Smith, Assistant to the City Manager; and Debra Mangen, City Clerk.

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order and stated the purpose of the meeting was to begin work on the City's preliminary 2011 Operating Budget.

Manager Hughes said the Council needed to review and give direction on the following items:

Budget Calendar

Staff reviewed the proposed calendar for the City's adoption of its 2011 Operating Budget. The Council must adopt its maximum levy at their September 7, 2010, meeting. Staff explained this would not be the detailed budget, but a preliminary budget. Then between September and December when the final budget must be adopted, the detailed budget would be prepared for review. The Capital Improvement Plan would be reviewed. It was pointed out that no utility rate study was planned for this year. Staff will discuss the conservation rate with the rate study consultant.

Enterprise Budgets

The Council discussed the type of enterprise fund budgets that would be prepared. Staff explained that the Council has reviewed business plans; budgets have been prepared, and a sample presented to the Council. These budgets have been made available to the public upon request. Staff will prepare the enterprise fund budget per the sample presented and these budgets would be reviewed later in the fall before the final adoption.

Dispatch Services Request From Golden Valley

Staff explained Golden Valley had issued a request for proposals for dispatching service. The City of Edina has expressed interest in responding to the RFP. The Council will discuss this possibility in more detail at their August 2, 2010, work session. Issues to consider included technical ability, capacity, and budget.

Utility Franchise Fees

Manager Hughes explained that he had put the utility company on notice that the City may be considering a franchise fee ordinance. It was suggested that a review of a possible franchise ordinance be started at the second meeting in August.

Mayor Hovland closed the meeting at 6:00 p.m. to allow discussion of labor negotiations.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, August 2, 2010.

Debra A. Mangen, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor