

REGULAR BROOKLYN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, April 27, 2020
*Immediately following the Board of Appeal and
Equalization Meeting
8:40 p.m.*

Brooklyn Park Council Chambers
Via Telephone

5200 85th Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Jeffrey Lunde

VIA TELEPHONE: Council Members Tonja West-Hafner, Susan Pha, Terry Parks, Mark Mata, Wynfred Russell and Lisa Jacobson; City Manager Jay Stroebel; City Attorney Jim Thomson; Community Development Director Kim Berggren; City Engineer Jesse Struve; Operations and Maintenance Director Dan Ruiz, and City Clerk Devin Montero.; Administrator of Environmental Services Tim Pratt.

ABSENT: None.

Mayor Lunde opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Lunde read a statement regarding the Council's telephone meeting.

2A RESPONSE TO PRIOR PUBLIC COMMENT – None

2B PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

3A. MOTION LUNDE, SECOND PARKS TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED BY THE CITY CLERK WITH ITEM 4.5 PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION.

Mayor Lunde called for a roll call vote.

3A THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: YES – MATA, PHA, WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, LUNDE; NO – NONE.

3B PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/RECEIPT OF GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

3B1 Comprehensive Transportation Update.

Operations and Maintenance Director Dan Ruiz, City Engineer Jesse Struve, and Community Development Director Kim Berggren provided an update on major city, county and state transportation projects in the city.

Community Development Director Berggren briefed first the BRLT, project description, Schedule, Connect Blue Line Now Coalition goals, five stations in Brooklyn Park, Oak Grove Station, Bike/Ped plans, 2040 Comprehensive Plan, Sidewalk and Trail systems.

Operations and Maintenance Director Ruiz briefed on the 101st AVE/169 Interchange, Highway 252 freeway conversion, County road reconstruction, Bottineau Boulevard Construction Staging overview, Reconstruction Project in Shingle Creek, 2020 local road reconstruction project, MSA Overlay Project Candlewood Drive, 2020 Overlay Map, Franchise Fee Projects 2015-2019,

State and County projects 2020, 93rd Avenue roadway update, 93rd Avenue/Noble Parkway signal update, and Emerging Issues.

4.0 MOTION LUNDE, SECOND JACOBSON TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE CONSENT ITEMS:

4.1 TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-66 ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,659,323.99 TO PARK CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF SPRING LAKE PARK, MINNESOTA FOR 2020 MUNICIPAL STATE AID (MSA) MILL AND OVERLAY, CIP 4002-20.

4.2 TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-67 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MINNESOTA GREENSTEP CITIES PROGRAM.

4.3 TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-68 ACCEPTING BIDS AND AWARDING CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,049,328.10 TO PARK CONSTRUCTION COMPANY OF SPRING LAKE PARK, MINNESOTA FOR 2020 STREET RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, CIP 4003-20.

4.4 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JUNE 10, 2019, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.4 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2019, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.4 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2020, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.4 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE BROOKLYN PARK BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION MEETING OF APRIL 13, 2020, AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK.

4.6 TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 11, 2020, TO SOLICIT TESTIMONY AND CONSIDER ISSUANCE OF THE CURRENCY EXCHANGE LICENSE FOR SB FINANCIAL CORP, LOCATED AT 6319 ZANE AVENUE NORTH.

Mayor Lunde called for a roll call vote.

4.0 THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOW: YES – PHA, WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, MATA, LUNDE; NO – NONE.

Council Member Mata asked how they did not plan the changes. He stated it seemed to be little miscellaneous items and not a big ticket item for the whole project. He asked how they missed those especially when they had a consultant every time, they did a project. He asked how the consultant did not catch that too and now going back to the taxpayers to pay for those changes. He stated he would like to see those things come out of consultant's pocket, like a percentage, for example, if they had to go for a 1% increase, they would take away 2% from the consultant. He stated they thought of it as business as usual when the project was approved, and the dollar value would keep going up down the road and then someone missed something. He stated he

was not approving it and didn't know how they missed the HVAC changes.

Operations and Maintenance Director Ruiz stated with some of the changes, like the HVAC changes, that they gave the plans of City Hall to the architect, and they give their recommendations where to put the duct work and other things. He stated that sometimes when opening up the wall to make connections, there were things that could not of been thought of ahead of time. He stated when they found out the duct work ran one way and not another way, had to find an alternative spot. He stated with the audio-visual changes and additions, when they first did plans and specifications for City Hall on the addition, didn't know how extensive the new AV equipment was going to be throughout City Hall and we were going to piece meal one room at a time, and recabled the entire building. He stated a lot of those thing were unknown when they went out for the construction bid. He stated when they got those bids back, started the project in August/September and didn't get the study of AV needs until December and brought the contract to Council for approval. He stated at the December 16 meeting, once they picked out the system and did bids for the AV, they knew they were going to go back to make some modifications and additions as part of the construction project but it was going to be an additional item and that was what it was.

4.5 MOTION MATA, SECOND JACOBSON TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2020-69 TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER FOR THE CITY HALL REHABILITATION PROJECT FOR BCI CONSTRUCTION INC.

Mayor Lunde called for a roll call vote.

4.5 THE MOTION PASSED ON A ROLL CALL VOTE AS FOLLOWS: YES – WEST-HAFNER, RUSSELL, JACOBSON, PARKS, MATA, PHA, LUNDE; NO – MATA.

9A COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council Member Parks stated the Step To It Challenge started on May 1 and would like to get more participants from the city.

Mayor Lunde stated that in light of the recent announcements related to COVID, asked if they were changing the policy for parks in the city, whether people could use them or shut them down. He stated he could go to Walmart or Fleet Farm and see full parking lots and see a lot of people inside. He stated he was trying to understand the logic behind shutting down the parks where kids could go. He asked if the Fire Chief could provide an answer on those changes.

9B CITY MANAGER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Stroebel stated that on the park system, his understanding was that they were open and the trails were open. He stated what they were trying to do was discourage people from using the equipment in parks that could be source of transmitting COVID-19 and encouraging little kids to stay off playgrounds. He stated they would have more conversations at next week's work session. He stated Director Yungers would be discussing the proposed plan for various activities and events this summer on what might be canceled, delayed, or tried to go forward with pending full knowledge of what the public health guidelines were.

He stated that Mayor Lunde sent a note the Commission Chairs hoping to get Commissions back up and running in June, whether virtual or in person. He stated they were also developing a training that all commissioners could take virtually, when it was typically done at an onboarding training. He stated it was a good refresher for existing Commissioners and important for new members. He stated something would be sent out in May for Commissioners to participate in.

He stated he had additional conversations with Excell Academy because many had asked questions about the project. He stated he would be bringing it back to a special Council meeting next week for potential amendment to the previously approved site plan.

ADJOURNMENT – With consensus of the Council, Mayor Lunde adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

JEFFREY JONEAL LUNDE, MAYOR

DEVIN MONTERO, CITY CLERK