



**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF WHITE BEAR LAKE, MINNESOTA  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2019  
7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mayor Jo Emerson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers Doug Biehn, Kevin Edberg, Steven Engstran, Dan Jones and Bill Walsh were present. Staff members present were City Manager Ellen Hiniker, Community Development Director Anne Kane, City Engineer Paul Kauppi, City Clerk Kara Coustry and City Attorney Troy Gilchrist.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on August 13, 2019

It was moved by Councilmember **Edberg** seconded by Councilmember **Jones**, to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting on August 13, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Item 10E was added to the Consent Agenda: Resolution authorizing a no parking zone on the north side of Park Street from the Otter Lake Road intersection west approximately 525 feet.

It was moved by Councilmember **Biehn** seconded by Councilmember **Walsh**, to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

**4. VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS**

A. Victoria Reinhardt – Ramsey County Commissioner

Commissioner Reinhardt stated she is one of 27 people across the country who are members on the EPA Local Advisory Committee, which makes recommendations to the EPA Director. She noted the EPA is revisiting its recommendation to ban the top 20 toxic chemicals that are hazardous to the environment and human health.

Commissioner Reinhardt provided an overview of the Ramsey County budget process in which a two-year budget with measurable outcomes is produced under a service team organizational structure. The County Manager proposed a budget levy increase of 4.75%, which represents a .5% spending increase, not even sufficient to cover cost of living adjustments. She noted increases in State mandates exasperated by reductions in funding.

Commissioner Reinhardt stated the first budget hearing is 10:30 a.m., August 29<sup>th</sup> in the Courthouse, and the second hearing is November 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Ramsey County Public Library in Maplewood. Victoria Reinhardt provided her phone number (651) 266-8363 and mentioned people should contact the chief clerk to sign up in advance to testify at the budget hearings.

Commissioner Reinhardt touched on many other initiatives including property tax growth and redevelopment, the environmental response fund, environmental health, Biz Recycling assistance, racial disparities and equity, crime prevention, public health and Rush Line BRT.

In response to a question from Councilmember Walsh, Commissioner Reinhardt indicated that Ramsey County would be asking for a Council resolution of support at the end of the Environmental Assessment phase before handing the project off to Metropolitan Council, which is anticipated to be early 2021.

## 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Nothing scheduled

## 6. LAND USE

### A. Consent

1. Consideration of a request for approval of a Final Plat for The White Bear Lake Apartments, 192 unit market-rate multi-family housing (Case No. 19-1-FP).  
**Resolution No. 12440**

It was moved by Councilmember **Biehn** seconded by Councilmember **Jones** to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 4:1, Councilmember Engstran nay.

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing scheduled

## 8. ORDINANCES

Nothing scheduled

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution declaring costs to be assessed and ordering preparation of proposed assessment roll and setting hearing on a proposed assessment roll for the 2019 Street Reconstruction Project, City Project Nos 19-01, 19-06

Public Works Director Kauppi reported the 2019 street reconstruction is wrapping up. He said the next step in the process is to prepare the assessment roll and conduct an assessment hearing on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

It was moved by Councilmember **Biehn** seconded by Councilmember **Jones**, to approve **Resolution No. 12441** declaring costs to be assessed and ordering preparation of proposed assessment roll and setting hearing on a proposed assessment roll for the 2019 Street Reconstruction Project, City Project Nos 19-01, 19-06.

Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Resolution declaring costs to be assessed and order preparation of proposed assessment roll and setting hearing on a proposed assessment roll for the 2019 Mill and Overlay Project, City Project Nos 19-04, 19-13

Public Works Director Kauppi reported the 2019 Mill and Overlay Project is complete. He said the next step in the process is to prepare the assessment roll and conduct an assessment hearing on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

It was moved by Councilmember **Jones** seconded by Councilmember **Engstran**, to approve **Resolution No. 12442** declaring costs to be assessed and order preparation of proposed assessment roll and setting hearing on a proposed assessment roll for the 2019 Mill and Overlay Project, City Project Nos 19-04, 19-13.

In response to Councilmember Edberg, Mr. Kauppi reported that costs came in under bid amounts due to staff's diligence monitoring the contractors. As a result, he said, money saved is reflected in reduced assessments to homeowners and the City.

Motion carried unanimously.

## 10. CONSENT

- A. Acceptance of Minutes: June White Bear Lake Conservation District, July Park Advisory Commission, June Environmental Advisory Commission
- B. Resolution authorizing a temporary liquor license for Church of St. Mary of the Lake. **Resolution No. 12443**
- C. Resolution authorizing second amendment to the joint powers agreement with Vadnais Lake Area Water Management Organization. **Resolution No. 12444**
- D. Resolution authorizing distribution of budgeted funds to the White Bear Lake Area Historical Society. **Resolution No. 12445**
- E. Resolution authorizing a no parking zone on the north side of Park Street from the Otter Lake Road intersection west approximately 525 feet. **Resolution No. 12446**

It was moved by Councilmember **Jones** seconded by Councilmember **Engstran** to approve the consent agenda as presented.

## 11. DISCUSSION

Nothing scheduled

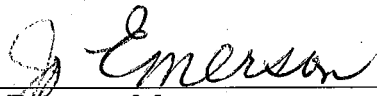
## 12. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- Works Sessions: 9/17 – Cancelled  
10/15 – Ramsey County turn-backs (Long Avenue and others),  
and use of the Armory, racquetball courts and Boatworks  
11/19 – Enterprise and Revenue Fund discussion
- Ramsey Washington Suburban Cable Commission (SCC) – Vadnais Heights has elected to leave the Joint Powers Agreement effective 12/31/19. Local Administrators have been invited to a meeting of members to better understand the impacts of this change, which will be held a week before SCC’s meeting on 9/11/19 with Administrators to discuss the cable franchise.
- Sept 14 at 11:30 a.m. Triad Senior Picnic at Podvin Park - food served until gone.
- Sept 17 at 6:00 p.m. is set to burn two more houses. Please contact Chief Peterson if you wish to participate again.
- Updates from Paul Kauppi, Public Works Director/City Engineer
  - Sod in constructions zones has greened up nicely with all the rain.
  - Crack sealing will begin Tues, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> and will last for a week.
- Updates from Anne Kane, Community Development Director
  - Many items on the Planning Commission agenda were continued to Sept. 30.
  - Discussed regulations on slip density in the Marina Triangle District in a workshop with the Planning Commission.
  - Wilts parcel was finalized, which will come before the City Council as a Final Plat and rezoning request moving forward.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Council, it was moved by Councilmember **Walsh** seconded by Councilmember **Jones** to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Jo Emerson, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Kara Coustry, City Clerk