



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2022

7:00 PM

Fridley Civic Campus, 7071 University Avenue N.E.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Lund called the City Council Meeting of May 9, 2022, to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Scott Lund
Councilmember Dave Ostwald
Councilmember Tom Tillberry
Councilmember Stephen Eggert
Councilmember Ann Bolcom
Walter Wysopal, City Manager
Joe Starks, Director of Finance
Brian Weierke, Director of Public Safety
Jim Kosluchar, Director of Public Works
Sarah Sonsalla, City Attorney
Dan Tienter, Ehlers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclaim May 11-17, 2022, as National Police Week and May 15, 2022, as Peace Officers Memorial Day

Mayor Lund presented a proclamation declaring May 11-17 as National Police Week and May 15, 2022, as Peace Officers Memorial Day. On behalf of the Council, he thanked the Director of Public Safety and his officers for protecting the residents of Fridley.

Brian Weierke, Director of Public Safety, accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for recognizing the sacrifices of police officers. He thanked the Council for the recognition and support and played a short video showing interactions of his department with the community.

2. Proclaim May 15-21, 2022, as National Public Works Week

Mayor Lund presented a proclamation declaring May 15-21, 2022, as National Public Works Week.

Jim Kosluchar, Public Works Director, accepted the proclamation and thanked Council for the recognition and support. He also thanked the members of his staff.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Bolkcom to adopt the proposed Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Tillberry.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. Approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting of April 25, 2022.
4. Receive the Minutes from the City Council Conference Meeting of April 25, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Resolution No. 2022-41, Awarding 2021 Street Rehabilitation Project No. ST2021-01.
6. Resolution No. 2022-44, Approving and Authorizing the Signing of an Agreement with the City of Coon Rapids for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program FY 2021 Local Solicitation
7. Resolution No. 2022-45, Approving an Appointment to the Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

LICENSES

8. Resolution No. 2022-43, Approving Additional Business License Renewals for 2022-2023.

CLAIMS

9. Resolution No. 2022-42, Approving Claims for the Period Ending May 4, 2022.

ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Eggert to adopt the regular agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Ostwald.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OPEN FORUM, VISITORS: Consideration of Items not on Agenda – 15 minutes.

No one from the audience spoke.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**NEW BUSINESS**

10. Resolution No. 2022-46, Providing for the Sale of General Obligation Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2022A.

Joe Starks, Director of Finance, introduced the representative from Ehlers, noting that following the presentation the Council will be asked to proceed with the bond sale.

Dan Tinter, Ehlers, presented the presale report for the \$20,730,000 general obligation tax abatement bond, series 2022A noting that these funds would be used to support the cost of the improvements identified in the parks system improvement plan.

The Council asked for details on what would occur if the spenddown did not occur within the five years.

Mr. Tinter stated that if the five-year test was not met, the bonds could lose their tax-exempt status and the City would make the interest payment. He noted the City plans to work with Ehlers to ensure compliance and that funds are managed appropriately.

Motion made by Councilmember Eggert to adopt Resolution No. 2022-46, Providing for the Sale of General Obligation Tax Abatement Bonds, Series 2022A. Seconded by Councilmember Ostwald.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. Resolution No. 2022-47, Calling for a Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax Abatements.

Mr. Starks confirmed that this is a required step in the tax abatement bond process, and if approved, the public hearing would be held at the next Council meeting on Monday, May 23.

Motion made by Councilmember Ostwald to adopt Resolution No. 2022-47, Calling for a Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax Abatements. Seconded by Councilmember Bolkcom.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. Resolution No. 2022-48, Indicating Official Intent to Reimburse Original Expenditures from Bond Proceeds

Mr. Starks commented that approval of this resolution would enable City staff to incur costs related to the parks system improvement plan prior to the sale of the general obligation tax abatement bonds.

Motion made by Councilmember Tillberry to adopt Resolution No. 2022-48, Indicating Official Intent to Reimburse Original Expenditures from Bond Proceeds. Seconded by Councilmember Bolkcom.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

INFORMAL STATUS REPORTS

The Council provided an update on recent events including the hazardous waste collection and environmental fair.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Councilmember Ostwald to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Eggert.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:33 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Moore
City Clerk

Scott J. Lund
Mayor