



City Council Meeting

March 13, 2023

7:00 PM

Fridley City Hall, 7071 University Avenue NE

Minutes

Call to Order

Mayor Lund called the City Council Meeting of March 13, 2023, to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present

Mayor Scott Lund
Councilmember Dave Ostwald
Councilmember Tom Tillberry
Councilmember Ann Bolcom
Walter Wysopal, City Manager
Kim Tillberry, Springbrook Nature Center Foundation
Julie Houle, Columbia Heights School Board

Absent

Ryan Evanson

Pledge Of Allegiance

Proclamations/Presentations

1. Presentation: Springbrook Spree by Kim Tillberry

Kim Tillberry, Chair of the Springbrook Nature Center Foundation, invited Council and residents to attend the Springbrook Spree on April 15 beginning at 5 p.m. She highlighted the different activities that will occur during the event. She stated that the goal for the event is to raise \$150,000 to revamp the Nature Center play area. Tickets are available online. She invited the Councilmembers in attendance at the event to assist with the games.

The Council provided additional information on the Springbrook Foundation, which began in 1974, and the great work that organization has done. Thanks was provided to Mrs. Tillberry and the other members of the Foundation.

Mrs. Tillberry noted that interested volunteers for the event can reach out. She noted that they also need assistance with the website.

The Council invited the other guest present tonight to address the group.

Julie Houle introduced herself noting that she is a newly elected School Board member for Columbia Heights Schools, noting that she is also the Treasurer and liaison to the City of Fridley. She mentioned

the one school located in Fridley, North Park Elementary School, has been retooled as a STEM school focusing on science, technology, engineering, and math.

The Council requested a tour of the campus, noting the recent renovations. They thanked Ms. Houle for her willingness to serve.

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/Receipt of Minutes

2. Approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting of February 27, 2023.
3. Receive the Minutes from the City Council Conference Meeting of February 27, 2023.
4. Receive the Minutes from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Meeting of February 2, 2023.
5. Receive the Minutes from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Conference Meeting of January 5, 2023.

New Business

6. Resolution No. 2023-25, Supporting the Submission of a Grant Application to the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) for the Redevelopment of 5400 Main Street N.E.
7. Resolution No 2023-26, Scheduling a Public Hearing on March 27, 2023, to Consider Ordinance No. 1406, Creating Title No. 3 (Health, Safety, and Welfare) of the Fridley City Code and the Chapters Contained Therein, Amending the Fridley City Code Chapter 209, Fees, and Amending the Fridley City Code Chapter 203, Administrative Citations.

Claims

8. Resolution No. 2023-24 Approving Claims for the Period Ending March 8, 2023.

Adoption of Regular Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Tillberry 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.

Informal Status Reports

The Council asked residents to clear snow near mailboxes and fire hydrants and avoid parking on the streets during snow events.

Wally Wysopal, City Manager, stated that potholes cannot yet be filled, as dryer conditions and warmer weather are needed. He stated that residents can reach out to the City with their concerns and those locations can be added to the list. For locations on County/State roads, staff will pass those comments on to the proper entity.

The Council noted an upcoming coffee and donuts event with Public Safety on March 18, 2023, at 11 a.m. at the Civic Campus. Springbrook Spree will be held on April 15, at the Springbrook Nature Center.

Adjourn

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

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Moore
City Clerk

Scott J. Lund
Mayor