



City Council Meeting

February 13, 2023

7:00 PM

Fridley City Hall, 7071 University Avenue NE

Minutes

Call to Order

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

Present

Mayor Scott Lund
Councilmember Dave Ostwald
Councilmember Tom Tillberry
Councilmember Ryan Evanson
Councilmember Ann Bolkcom
Walter Wysopal, City Manager
Mike Maher, Parks and Recreation Director
Jim Kosluchar, Public Works Director
Brandon Brodhag, Assistant City Engineer
Joe Starks, Finance Director
Scott Hickok, Community Development Director
Paul Bolin, HRA Assistant Executive Director
Tammy Omdal, HRA Development Consultant
Sarah Sonsalla, City Attorney

Pledge Of Allegiance

Proclamations/Presentations

Approval of Proposed Consent Agenda

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

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

Approval/Receipt of Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting of January 23, 2023.
2. Receive the Minutes from the City Council Conference Meeting of January 23, 2023.

3. Receive the Minutes from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority Meetings of November 3, 2022, and January 5, 2023.

New Business

4. Resolution No. 2023-12, Approving a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Mounds View for the Stinson Boulevard/Pleasant View Drive Street and Trail Improvements Project.
5. Resolution No 2023-15, Approving Change Order No. 2 (Final) for 2021 Street Rehabilitation Project No. ST2021-01.

Claims

6. Resolution No. 2023-19 Approving Claims for the Period Ending February 8, 2023.

Adoption of Regular Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Bolkcom to adopt the regular agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

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

New Business

7. Public Hearing to Consider Authorizing Construction of and Preliminary Assessment for the 53rd Avenue Roundabout Safety Project No. ST2023-22.

Motion made by Councilmember Tillberry to open the public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

Brandon Brodhag, Assistant City Engineer, provided background information on the City's pavement management plan and more specific details on the proposed project, the project needs, and grant funds received. He reviewed the proposed project elements, layout, and project partners. He noted the project open house which took place on January 17 and summarized the input received from residents. He also provided an overview of the results of the Feasibility Report which the Council received at its January 23 meeting and reviewed the tentative project schedule. He also reviewed the estimated budget, funding, and special assessments.

The Council asked for details on business input. Mr. Brodhag provided details on the input received from a business tenant.

The Council noted input received from a resident in a neighboring community who expressed concern with access to the commercial properties. The Council also asked for details on the interest charged for assessment. Mr. Brodhag noted that Target has been informed of the project and is supportive but would like the project to be completed prior to the holiday season.

Jim Kosluchar, Public Works Director, stated that there has not been much input from the businesses, but noted that the businesses in that area had been informed of the project well before this time. He stated that the interest charged is based on the City's policy. It was noted that businesses do not have to use the City financing for assessments and can either pay the assessment in full or obtain outside financing.

No public comments were received.

Motion made by Councilmember Tillberry to close the public hearing, Seconded by Councilmember Bolkcom.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

8. Resolution No. 2023-16, Ordering Final Plans, Specifications and Calling for Bids for the 53rd Avenue Roundabout Safety Project No. ST2023-01.

Motion made by Councilmember Tillberry to adopt Resolution No. 2023-16, Ordering Final Plans, Specifications and Calling for Bids for the 53rd Avenue Roundabout Safety Project No. ST2023-01. Seconded by Councilmember Bolkcom.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

9. Public Hearing to Consider Modifying the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No. 1 and the Tax Increment Financing Plans for Tax Increment Financing Districts Nos. 6, 11-13, and 17-25 to Reflect Increased Project Costs and Increased Bonding Authority within Redevelopment Project No. 1, Creating Tax Increment Financing District No. 26, and Adopting a Tax Increment Financing Plan Relating Thereto.

Motion made by Councilmember Ostwald to open the public hearing. Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

Tammy Omdal, HRA Development Consultant, presented the request from Roers for TIF assistance for the Moon Plaza redevelopment project along with the proposed TIF Plan. She provided details on the project site, proposed boundaries of the TIF District, and more specific information about the property taxes that would be generated from the proposed project compared to the site in its current condition. She reviewed information on the terms for assistance to the development. She

stated that based on the current market conditions, the project as proposed would not happen solely through private investment in the reasonably foreseeable future. Key steps in the TIF approval process were reviewed.

The Council noted the previous review and discussion of this project that has occurred and recognized that there were no members of the public present to speak tonight. The Council expressed support for the project.

Motion made by Councilmember Ostwald to close the public hearing, Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

10. Resolution No. 2023-16, Modifying the Redevelopment Plan for Redevelopment Project No. 1 and the Tax Increment Financing Plans for Tax Increment Financing Districts Nos. 6, 11-13 and 17-25 to Reflect Increased Project Costs and Increased Bonding Authority within Redevelopment Project No. 1, Creating Tax Increment Financing District No. 26, and Adopting a Tax Increment Financing Plan Relating Thereto

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Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

11. Resolution No. 2023-18, Approving Ordering of Advertisement for Bids for Moore Lake Park Community Building Project

Mike Maher, Parks and Recreation Director, provided a brief background on the planning and public engagement that has occurred thus far for this project. He provided an overview of the proposed community building.

Jim Kosluchar, Public Works Director, stated that the Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments have been working together on the project and noted that the estimated costs are in line with the budget. He provided more details on the proposed bidding method for the project and the tentative schedule.

The Council asked for additional details about the bird safe glass and staff provided more information. The Council also provided input related to the aesthetics of the roof and potential for solar power.

Motion made by Councilmember Ostwald to adopt Resolution No. 2023-18, Approving Ordering of Advertisement for Bids for Moore Lake Park Community Building Project. Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously.

Informal Status Reports

The Council expressed appreciation to the City and County for the additional snow cleanup that has been done with the nicer weather. The Lions Winter Warm-Up event was a well-attended and successful event.

Adjourn

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

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Lund declared the motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Moore
City Clerk

Scott J. Lund
Mayor