

City Council

February 2, 2021 – 6:30 pm

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

In light of the recently declared COVID-19 health pandemic, the Mayor of the City of Golden Valley declared a local emergency under Minnesota Statute, section 12.37. In accordance with that declaration, beginning on March 16, 2020, all meetings of the City Council held during the emergency were conducted by telephone or other electronic means. As such, all votes are conducted by roll call, so each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded pursuant to Minnesota Stat. 13D.021.

The City used WebEx to conduct this meeting electronically. Members of the public were able to monitor the meetings by watching it on Comcast cable channel 16, by streaming it on CCXmedia.org, and by dialing in to the public call-in line. The public was able to participate in this meeting during public comment sections, including the public forum, by dialing in to the public call-in line.

Call to Order

Mayor Harris called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

1A. Pledge of Allegiance

1B. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Shep Harris, Council Members Larry Fonnest, Maurice Harris, Gillian Rosenquist and Kimberly Sanberg

Staff present: City Manager Cruikshank, Physical Development Director Nevinski, City Attorney Cisneros, Police Chief Sturgis, Crime Analyst/Police Support Services Coordinator Paul, Police Commander Johnson, Police Commander Kuhnly, Police Detective Sergeant Mahlen, City Planner Myles Campbell, and City Clerk Schyma

1C. Annual Discover St. Louis Park Presentation

Mayor Harris introduced Becky Bakken, President and CEO of Discover St. Louis Park, who presented a year-end update for Discover St. Louis Park representing St. Louis Park and Golden Valley.

City Manager Cruikshank and the Council thanked Ms. Bakken and the team at Discover St. Louis Park for their commendable service during an extremely difficult year.

1D. Annual Police Department Report

Police Chief Sturgis presented an overview of police department operations during 2020 and answered questions from the Council.

Crime Analyst/Police Support Services Supervisor Paul, Police Commanders Johnson and Kuhnly, and Detective Sergeant Mahlen also presented information to the Council and were available for questions.

The Council thanked Chief Sturgis and his staff for their hard work during a demanding year.

2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

Motion by Fonneist, Second by Rosenquist to approve the meeting agenda as submitted.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonneist, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Sanberg, Second by Rosenquist to approve the Consent Agenda as revised: removal of Item #3D1 - Accept Resignation from the Rising Tides Task Force and #3G - Receive and File the City of Golden Valley's 2021 Pyramid of Success.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonneist, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

A. Approval of Minutes

1. City Council Meeting – December 1, 2020
2. City Council Meeting – December 15, 2020
3. City Council Meeting – January 5, 2021

B. Approval of City Check Register

C. Licenses:

1. Approve Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License - Lunds Beverages, LLC d/b/a/ Lunds & Byerlys Wines & Spirits
2. Approve Temporary On-Sale Liquor License – Good Shepherd Catholic Church
3. Approve Multi-Family Rental Property License Renewals

~~D. Boards, Commissions, and Task Forces:~~

- ~~1. Accept Resignation from the Rising TIDES Task Force~~

E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:

1. Approve Purchase of Fire Utility Vehicle

F. Grants and Donations

1. Approve Hennepin County Homeownership Application, Resolution No. 21-06

G. ~~Receive and File the City of Golden Valley's 2021 Pyramid of Success~~

3. Items Removed From the Consent Agenda:

3D1. Accept Resignation from the Rising TIDES Task Force

Council Member Harris thanked Alex Moreno for his service on the Rising TIDES Task Force.

Motion by M. Harris, Second by Sanberg to accept the resignation of Alex Moreno from the Rising TIDES Task Force.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

3G. Receive and File the City of Golden Valley's 2021 Pyramid of Success

City Manager Cruikshank discussed the details of and process for developing the values, vision statement, mission statement, organizational priorities and 2021 action steps for the City.

Motion by Fonnest, Second by Rosenquist to receive and file the City of Golden Valley's 2021 Pyramid of Success.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

4. Public Hearing

5. Old Business

6. New Business

6A. Second Consideration of Ordinance No. 703, Modifications to City Code Chapter 103 – Buildings and Building Regulations and Approval of Resolution No. 21-07 Authorizing Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 703

Physical Development Director Nevinski presented the staff report and answered questions from Council.

Mayor Harris opened the item for public comment. No one requested to speak.

Motion by Sanberg, Second by M. Harris to adopt second consideration of **Ordinance No. 703**, Modifications to Chapter 103 – Buildings and Building Regulations.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

Motion by M. Harris, Second by Sanberg to adopt **Resolution No. 21-07** Approving Summary Publication of Ordinance No. 703.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

6B. COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency Administrative Action No. 21-1

City Attorney Cisneros presented the staff report and answered questions from Council.

Motion by Rosenquist, Second by Sanberg to ratify Emergency Action 21-1.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

6D. Review of Council Calendar

Mayor Harris reviewed upcoming city meetings, events, and holiday closures.

6E. Mayor and Council Communication

Council Member Rosenquist relayed information about recent meetings with the Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board regarding an upcoming memorandum of understanding and leadership group that are being finalized to help communication and resolution of ongoing matters at Theodore Wirth Regional Park. She further discussed the February 2 Highway 55 Transit Meeting.

7. Adjourn

Motion by Fonnest, Second by Sanberg to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 pm.

Motion carried 5-0. (In Favor: Fonnest, M. Harris, S. Harris, Rosenquist, Sanberg. Opposed: N/A)

Shepard M. Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

Theresa J. Schyma, City Clerk