

City of Excelsior
Regular Council Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, June 21, 2021

6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:43 P.M. This meeting was a remote meeting conducted via Zoom.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Mayor Carlson and Councilmembers Caron, Dierking, and Hersman

Absent: Councilmember Kurschner

Also Present: City Manager Luger, City Attorney Staunton, City Engineer Dawley, Interim Planner Mullin, Public Works Superintendent Amundsen, and City Clerk Williams

Attorney Staunton stated in accordance with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.021, the Mayor, the City Manager and the City Attorney have determined that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the "COVID-19 Health Pandemic" emergency declared under Chapter 12 of the Minnesota Statutes. All staff and City Council members will be participating by telephone or other electronic means. All actions votes will be recorded as roll call votes.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- (a) June 5, 2021 Strategy Session Minutes
- (b) June 7, 2021 Work Session Minutes
- (c) June 7, 2021 City Council Minutes
- (d) June 14, 2021 Special Work Session Minutes

Dierking moved, Hersman seconded, to approve the June 5, 2021, Strategy Session Minutes, June 7, 2021 Work Session Minutes, June 7, 2021 City Council Minutes, and June 14, 2021, Special Work Session Minutes. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

4. OPEN FORUM

Peter Hartwich, 186 George Street, addressed the Council about affordable housing.

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

(a) Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce Update

Jen Weiss, Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce, gave an update on the Farmer's Market and local businesses workforce and funding.

(b) Pavilion Update

Tim Amundsen, Public Works Superintendent, and Morgan Dawley, City Engineer, provided an update on the Pavilion Project.

(c) Construction Updates

Tim Amundsen, Public Works Superintendent, gave an update on current construction projects.

6. MEET EXCELSIOR

(a) None

7. AGENDA APPROVAL

(a) Meeting Agenda

Dierking moved, Caron seconded, to approve the June 21, 2021 Meeting Agenda with the change of Item 7(b)7 to Item 8(a). On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

(b) Consent Agenda

Caron moved, Hersman seconded, to approve the June 21, 2021 Consent Agenda Items 1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10 and with the changes to Item 3 as discussed. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

1. Review Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approve Verified Claims over \$20,000

Action – Reviewed Verified Claims under \$20,000 and Approve Verified Claims over \$20,000.

2. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 631 7 George Street Landmark Designation

Action – Waived the Second Reading and Adopted Ordinance No. 631 Designating the Case House at 7 George Street as a Landmark.

3. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 632 173 Second Street Landmark Designation

Action – Waived the Second Reading and Adopted Ordinance No. 632 Designating the Case House at 173 Second Street as a Landmark.

4. Temporary Liquor License St. John's Parish

Action – Approved the issuance of a Temporary Liquor License to St. John Baptist Catholic Church for the Parish Gala on June 26, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

5. 4th of July Road Restriction Resolution

Action – Approved Resolution 2021-42 Resolution Imposing Temporary Parking Restrictions for July 4, 2021.

6. Continue Commercial District Ordinance Amendments

Action – Approved continuing Commercial District Ordinance Amendments to the July 19, 2021 City Council Meeting.

7. Resolution 2021-43 Approving RRP and Variance Application for 101 Center Street (Amended)

Action – Moved to Item 8(a).

8. May Financial Report

Action – Accepted May Financial Report.

9. Approve Pay Voucher No. 1 East Parking Lot Improvement Project

Action – Approved Construction Pay Voucher No. 1 for the East Parking Lot Improvement Project and authorized payment in the amount of \$193,641.40 to GMH Asphalt Corporation.

10. Approval of Administrative Lot Split for 173 Second Street

Action – Approved Resolution 2021-45 Resolution Authorizing an Administrative Subdivision (Lot Split) for the Property Located at 173 Second Street.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- (a) Resolution 2021-43 Approving RRP and Variance Application for 101 Center Street (Amended)

Peter Hartwich, 186 George Street, commented on the proposed project.

Hersman moved, Caron seconded, to adopt Resolution 2021-43 Resolution Approving a Residential Review Permit and Variance Application for Front Yard Setback and Impervious Surface Coverage for 101 Center Street with the changes as discussed. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

9. PETITIONS, REQUESTS and COMMUNICATIONS

- (a) Water Street Overlay Improvements Project – Receive Bids and Award Contract

Dierking moved, Hersman seconded, to adopt Resolution 2021-41 Resolution Accepting Bids and Awarding a Construction Contract to Bituminous Roadways, Inc. for the Water Street Overlay Improvements Project. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

10. ORDINANCES and RESOLUTIONS

- (a) None

11. REPORTS of OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

- (a) None

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) Lowering Speed Limits

Hersman moved, Dierking seconded, to adopt Resolution 2021-44 Resolution Adopting Reduced Speed Limit of 25 MPH on City Owned Residential Roadways. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

13. NEW BUSINESS

(a) 2020 Audit Report and Presentation

Bonnie Schwieger, Abdo Eick & Meyers, presented the findings of the 2020 Financial Audit.

Caron moved, Dierking seconded, to accept the 2020 Audit Report. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

(b) Forming Two New Groups

The Council would like to advertise for applications for the Oak Hill Cemetery Committee and continue the Preserving Existing Housing Task Force to the July 19, 2021 City Council Work Session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Hersman moved, Caron seconded, to adjourn the work session at 8:44 P.M. On a roll call vote, Caron, Dierking, Hersman, and Carlson voted yes. Motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,
Nalisha Williams, City Clerk