

City of Excelsior  
Hennepin County, Minnesota

MINUTES

EXCELSIOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

February 20, 2018  
Council Chambers

7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gaylord called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Beattie, Carlson (arrived at 5:54 p.m.), Caron, Miller, Mayor Gaylord

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Luger, City Attorney Staunton, Planning Director Smith, Public Works Superintendent Amundsen, Event Coordinator Edwards, and City Clerk Orlofsky

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(a) City Council Minutes, February 5, 2018

Miller moved, Caron seconded, to approve the February 5, 2018 City Council Minutes. Motion carried 4/0.

4. OPEN FORUM

Sue Stenga, 428 William Street, addressed the City Council.

Mike Hayes, Contractor for 428 William Street, addressed the City Council.

Don Nordness, 518 Wheeler, addressed the City Council.

5. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

(a) South Lake Minnetonka Police Department Update

Caron provided an update on the South Lake Minnetonka Police Department.

(b) Dock Extension Update

Amundsen provided an update on the dock extension.

6. AGENDA APPROVAL

(a) Meeting Agenda

Beattie moved, Carlson seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 5/0.

(b) Consent Agenda

Beattie moved, Caron seconded, to add item 6(b)14 – Approve Verified Claims – Approve for Payment Manual Checks 083884 – 083931 to the consent agenda and approve as amended. Motion carried 5/0.

1. December 12, 2017 Park and Recreation Minutes  
Action – Accepted for filing.
2. December 19, 2017 Heritage Preservation Commission Minutes  
Action – Accepted for filing.
3. November 27, 2017 Planning Commission Minutes  
Action – Accepted for filing.
4. December 21, 2017 Planning Commission Minutes  
Action – Accepted for filing.
5. Special Event Permit Easter Egg Hunt, March 31, 2018  
Action - Approved the Special Event Permit for the 2018 Our Savior Lutheran Church & School Easter Egg Hunt.
6. Approve Copier Lease Agreement  
Action – Accepted the proposal with Coordinated Business Systems and authorized the City Manager to sign the Copier Lease Agreement contingent upon the City Attorney’s review.
7. Approve Temporary Liquor License for the Church of St. John the Baptist Parish Gala on March 10, 2018  
Action – Approved the issuance of a Temporary Liquor License to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for the Parish’s Annual Gala to be held on Saturday, March 10, 2018, with the conditions outlined in the Temporary Liquor License Application.
8. Special Event Permit CrossFit Memorial Day Murph, May 28, 2018  
Action – Approved the Special Event Permit for the 2018 Memorial Day Murph event on Monday, May 28, 2018.
9. Utility Truck Replacement  
Action – Approved the purchase of the chassis from Ranger Chevrolet and the utility service body from ABM Equipment utilizing State of Minnesota contract pricing for \$68,194.60, plus sales tax.

10. Purchase of 2018 Pickup Truck

Action – Authorized the purchase of a 2018 Chevrolet ¾ ton pickup truck from Ranger Chevrolet, per the State of Minnesota Contract, in the amount of \$20,117.54, plus sales tax, and maintenance equipment from Stonebrook equipment for \$8,412, to be funded from the Public Works Capital Equipment Fund.

11. Purchase of Skid-Steer Attachment

Action – Authorized the purchase of an angle broom for the Case Skid-Steer from Titan Machinery for \$5,989.05 using Minnesota State Bid contract pricing.

12. Mill Street Sanitary and Watermain Improvement – Advertisement for Bids

Action – Authorized ordering advertisement for bids for the Mill Street Sanitary and Watermain Improvement Project.

13. Dock Extension Electrical Installation

Action – Approved the quotations from Frontier Electric for the installation of the dock extension electrical for \$6,595.00.

14. Approve Verified Claims – Approve for Payment Manual Checks 083884 – 083931

Action – Approved for Payment Manual Checks 083884 -0083931.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) Variance – 45 George Street (PC No. 18-01)

Mayor Gaylord opened the Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m.

Peter Thiss, 336 West Lake Street, addressed the City Council.

Ben Stedman, 40 George Street, addressed the City Council.

Hearing no further comments, Mayor Gaylord closed the Public Hearing at 6:17 p.m.

Beattie moved, Carlson seconded, to adopt Resolution No. 2018-08 approving a variance to reduce the front yard setback from 37.6 feet to 20 feet at 45 George Street based on the findings of fact and subject to the conditions as amended in said resolution. Motion carried 5/0.

8. PETITIONS, REQUEST, and COMMUNICATIONS

(a) None

9. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

(a) None

10. REPORTS of OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

(a) None

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) None

12. NEW BUSINESS

(a) Proposed Lease Agreement for 810 Excelsior Boulevard

Carlson moved, Beattie seconded, to modify the existing lease agreement with Magney Construction to exclude the garage space at 810 Excelsior Boulevard and approve a lease agreement with Heath Holste for a garage space at 810 Excelsior Boulevard contingent on the City Attorney review. Motion carried 5/0.

(b) Garden Plot Rates

Miller moved, Carlson seconded, to keep the garden plot rates at \$35.00 for residents and \$70 for non-residents and to include the incentive to utilize the plots for a reduced rate by those that currently have a plot. Motion carried 5/0.

(c) Annual Advisory Appointments

Beattie moved, Miller seconded to appoint Councilmember Beattie to interview the Planning Commission, Councilmember Carlson to interview the Heritage Preservation Commission, and Councilmember Caron to interview the Park and Recreation Commission. The Councilmembers will bring forward a recommendation to the City Council on the appointments at the March 5, 2018 City Council Meeting. Motion carried 5/0.

(d) 2018 Hennepin County Sidewalk and bikeway Participation Programs

Matt Lang, Shorewood Resident, addressed the City Council.

Don Nordness, 518 Wheeler, addressed the City Council.

Caron moved, Beattie seconded, to apply for grant funding through Hennepin County for a feasibility study for the Mill Street pedestrian transportation improvement. Motion carried 5/0.

(e) Single-Family Scale Standards/Task Force

Council directed staff to continue to research.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Carlson moved, Miller seconded, to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Orlofsky  
City Clerk