

City of Excelsior  
City Council Meeting

MINUTES

Monday, May 6, 2019

6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Carlson opened the meeting at 6:45 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

City Council: Councilmembers Caron, Dierking, Kurschner, Miller  
(arrived at 6:46 pm) and Mayor Carlson

Absent: None

Staff: City Manager Luger, City Attorney Staunton, Public Works  
Superintendent Amundsen, City Planner Becker, Finance  
Officer Horn, and Event Coordinator Edwards

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(a) April 23, 2019, Work Session Minutes

Kurschner moved, Caron seconded, to approve the April 23, 2019  
Work Session Minutes. Motion carried 4/0.

(b) April 23, 2019, City Council Minutes

Dierking moved, Kurschner seconded, to approve the April 23, 2019  
City Council Minutes. Motion carried 4/0.

Miller arrived at 6:46 p.m. In consideration of audience members, Mayor Carlson  
requested a motion to move Item 6, Meet Excelsior, before Item 4, Open Forum.

Kurschner moved, Caron seconded to move the Item 6 before Item 4. Motion  
carried 5/0.

4. MEET EXCELSIOR

Mary Deschamps, Vintage Loft, addressed the City Council.

5. OPEN FORUM

Matt Ratliff, 631 Pleasant, addressed the City Council.

Ross McGlasson, 723 Water Street, addressed the City Council.

5. OPEN FORUM – CONTINUED

Christopher Bates, Transportation Accessibility Advisory Council, addressed the City Council.

Margo Imdieke-Cross, Minnesota State Council on Disability, addressed the City Council.

Ross Rogney, 780 Pleasant Street, addressed the City Council.

Mike Monson, 635 Glencoe Road, addressed the City Council.

Caitlyn Pulitzer, 664 Glencoe Road, addressed the City Council.

Deb Rogers, 101 George Street, addressed the City Council.

Stephanie Bredael, 603 Glencoe Road, addressed the City Council.

Jon Monson, 202 Water Street, addressed the City Council.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS

(a) Ice Castle Event Update

Edwards provided an update on the Ice Castel Event.

(b) Excelsior Fire District Update

Miller provided an update on the Excelsior Fire District.

(c) Sales Tax Update

Caron provided an update on the Sales Tax request of the Legislature.

Mayor Carlson congratulated the Rotary for the Bingo and Burgers by the Bay.

Mayor Carlson thanked the Met Council and Hennepin County for work on the Mill Street Feasibility Study.

Mayor Carlson reminded that Town Clean-up will be Saturday, May 11, 2019. He noted that items should be placed out on Friday night as the pick-up would occur early Saturday morning. See the City website for more details.

Mayor Carlson indicated he had heard a complaint regarding parking on designated non-parking Maple and Smith streets during the Minnetonka Half Marathon. Mayor Carlson requested those streets remain non-parking for July 4.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS, QUESTIONS, and REPORTS - CONTINUED

At the request of Mayor Carlson, Luger provided an update on Chamber Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

At the request of Caron, Amundsen provided an update on crosswalk painting. Miller requested that staff reassess the timing on pedestrian crosswalks. Caron concurred.

Miller updated that the Work Session committed \$400,000 to Commons projects, exceeding the goal.

7. MEET EXCELSIOR

This item was considered following Item 3.

8. AGENDA APPROVAL

(a) Meeting Agenda

With regard to Item 7(b)6, Miller noted that \$100,000 has been dedicated from the Dock Fund to the Park Fund annually. Horn provided an update on the current 3.25% interest rates for a 15-year bond. Miller congratulated C4C, Staff, and Council for this accomplishment. Mayor Carlson commended the Parks and Recreation Commission as well as Community for Commons.

Kurschner requested that the Sub Area Plan of the Comprehensive Plan be brought back to the Agenda, as well as, bringing in business owners and residents who have concerns about this issue. Mayor Carlson concurred. Luger replied this topic is waiting for the Council to collectively set goals so agenda topics can be prioritized.

Caron moved, Kurschner seconded, to add 13(a), Discuss Impacts of College Lake Water Table, and 13(b), Potential Sub Area Plan, and to approve the May 6, 2019 meeting agenda as amended. Motion carried 5/0.

(b) Consent Agenda

Miller moved, Dierking seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda for May 6, 2019 with changes as noted. Motion carried 5/0.

1. Approve Verified Claims – Approve for Payment Manual Checks 085214 - 085250 and Electronic Checks 001811E – 001825E

Action - Approved for payment manual checks 085214 - 085250 and E Checks 001811E – 001825E

8. AGENDA APPROVAL – CONTINUED

(b) *Consent Agenda*

2. April Building Permit Report

Action – Accept building permit report for filing.

3. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 596 – An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 10, Article XVI of the Excelsior City Code Relating to Lawful Gambling

Action – Motion to waive second reading and adopt Ordinance 596 – An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 10, Article XVI of the Excelsior City Code relating to Lawful Gambling.

4. Hess, Roise and Company Agreement

This item was continued to the next meeting pending language clarification.

5. March Financial Report

Action – Accept March financial report for filing.

6. Amendment to Fund Balance Policy

Action – Adopt the Amended City of Excelsior Fund Balance Policy.

7. Chamber of Commerce Temporary Liquor License

Action – Approve the Chamber of Commerce Temporary Liquor License to serve alcohol at their Grand Opening party on May 16, 2019 at 312 Water Street.

8. Second Reading of Ordinance 593 – Design Standards Amendment

Action – Motion to waive second reading and adopt Ordinance 593 – An Ordinance Amending Article 35, Section 35-1 of the Excelsior City Zoning Code Pertaining to Design Guidelines.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

(a) Conditional Use Permit for Parking Impact Fee for 217 Water Street

Mayor Carlson opened and closed the public hearing at 8:15 p.m. as there was no public input.

9. PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUED

(a) *Conditional Use Permit for Parking Impact Fee for 217 Water Street*

Kurschner motioned, Miller seconded, to adopt Resolution 2019-20 – A Resolution Approving Conditional Use Permit for a Parking Impact Fee for the property located at 217 Water Street, as well as, an amendment to the development agreement for a parking impact fee subject to the conditions outlined in the staff report. Motion carried 5/0.

10. PETITIONS, REQUEST and COMMUNICATIONS

(a) Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission Update

Operations Manager Jim Lundberg provided an update on the Lake Minnetonka Communications Commission (LMCC). Mayor Carlson thanked Lindberg and the LMCC for their work on the City's behalf.

(b) Amendment to Resolution 2019-01 approving variance requests for 411 Linden Street

Kurschner moved, Miller seconded, to approve an amendment to Resolution 2019-01 approving variance requests for 411 Linden Street. Motion carried 5/0.

Caron requested the Council and Planning Commission look at buildable lot definition. Mayor Carlson thanked the applicants for patience in addressing this issue.

In consideration of the audience, Miller moved, Kurschner seconded, to consider Item 12(a) after Item 9(b). Motion carried 5/0.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) Award Contract for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project – CANNOT START DISCUSSION UNTIL 8:45 P.M.

Jeff Solum, 5840 Glencoe Road, Shorewood, addressed the City Council.

Ludmilla Yakovlev, 241 Academy Avenue, addressed the City Council.

Sergei Yakovlev, 241 Academy Avenue, addressed the City Council.

Scott Thomson, 221 Academy Avenue, addressed the City Council.

Bob Bolles, 229 George Street, addressed the City Council.

Dick Thompson, 684 Glencoe Road, addressed the City Council.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – CONTINUED

- (a) *Award Contract for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project*

Chris Bates, 255 Mill Street, Apt. 303, addressed the City Council.

Andrew Punch, 561 Third Street, addressed the City Council.

Steve Bauman, 688 Glencoe Road, addressed the City Council.

Kristin Glibertson, 783 Pleasant Street, addressed the City Council.

Kirsten Halloran, 636 Pleasant Street, addressed the City Council.

The Council supported an asphalt trail to the driveway of 221 Academy, exempt that property owner from snow removal, shift Glencoe to the east to minimize impacts, asphalt sidewalk on the west side to the driveway of 670 Glencoe, and converting to an enhanced shoulder shortly thereafter. The Council will hold a future discussion on traffic calming measures.

Caron moved, Dierking seconded, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-21 – A Resolution Accepting Bids and Awarding a Construction Contract for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvements to Northdale Construction Co. Inc. with retaining wall as recommended. Motion carried 5/0.

12. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- (a) Second Reading of Ordinance No. 594 – Residential Design Standards Amendment

Kurschner moved, Dierking seconded, to table Item 10(a) to the May 20, 2019 meeting. Motion carried 5/0.

13. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, and COMMITTEES

- (a) None

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (a) Award Contract for the 2019 Street and Utility Improvement Project

This item was considered following Item 9(b).

15. PETITIONS, REQUEST and COMMUNICATIONS

- (c) Direction on 810 Excelsior Boulevard

Bill Stoddard, Third Street, addressed the City Council.

15. PETITIONS, REQUEST and COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED

(c) *Direction on 810 Excelsior Boulevard*

The Council continued the RFPs to the May 20, 2019, meeting and requested additional information from 45 North Group.

16. NEW BUSINESS

(a) College Lake Water Levels

The Council tabled consideration of pumping options to the May 20, 2019 meeting.

(b) Discuss Impacts of College Lake Water Table

(c) Potential Sub Area Plan

Kurschner moved, Dierking seconded, to table Items 13(b) and 13(c) to the May 20, 2019 meeting. Motion carried 5/0.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Miller moved, Dierking seconded, to adjourn at 11:40 p.m. Motion carried 5/0.

Respectfully submitted,  
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.