

**MINUTES  
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
EDINA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 4, 2022  
7:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. then shared the procedure for public hearing and community comment.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Answering rollcall were Members Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Mayor Hovland.

Absent: None.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**IV. MEETING AGENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Member Staunton made a motion, seconded by Member Anderson, to approve the meeting agenda as amended, moving Item IX., Reports and Recommendations, forward.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

**V. COMMUNITY COMMENT**

Claiborne Day, 6300 Doron Lane, spoke about the need to better protect mature trees in neighborhoods when new homes are constructed. She shared benefits of mature trees and encouraged builders to retain trees where possible.

**V.A. CITY MANAGER'S RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

Manager Neal responded to Community Comments from the last meeting.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

Member Jackson made a motion, seconded by Member Anderson approving the consent agenda as amended, removing VI.M, Resolution 2022-42: Supporting the E Line BRT Recommended Corridor Plan:

**VI.A. Approve minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meetings of April 19, 2022**

**VI.B. Approve Claims for Payment for Check Register Pre-List Dated April 22, 2022, totaling \$1,047,699.58 and Check Register Pre-List Dated April 29, 2022, totaling \$1,250,848.33**

**VI.C. Request for Purchase, Blake Road Reconstruction Services, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, WSB, \$654,311**

**VI.D. Request for Purchase, Blake Road Reconstruction Materials Testing, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Braun Intertec, \$76,438**

**VI.E. Request for Purchase, ENG 22-5 Morningside Flood Infrastructure, Phase 2, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Rachel Contracting, LLC, \$7,995,424**

**VI.F. Request for Purchase, Morningside D & E Reconstruction Materials Testing, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Braun Intertec, \$39,212**

**VI.G. Request for Purchase, Morningside Flood Infrastructure Construction Services, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Barr Engineering, \$418,200**

**VI.H. Request for Purchase, Professional Services for Police Security Design, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, BKV, \$41,600**

**VI.I. Request for Purchase, Public Works Facility Electric Hot Water Heaters, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Gilbert Mechanical, \$36,898**

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- VI.J. Request for Purchase, 2022 Watermain Pipe Condition Assessment, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Short Elliot Hendrickson, Inc., \$139,567**
- VI.K. Request for Purchase, Sustainable Buildings Policy Year I Service Contract, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, LHB, Inc., \$34,907**
- VI.L. Approve Cooperative Agreement with Minnehaha Creek Watershed District and Request for Purchase: Clean Water Design Services, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Barr Engineering, \$72,225**
- ~~VI.M. Resolution 2022-42: Supporting the E-Line BRT Recommended Corridor Plan~~**
- VI.N. Approve Traffic Safety Report of March 29, 2022**
- VI.O. Request for Purchase, Vehicle Mounted GPS Tracking Units, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, StarChase, LLC, \$34,358**
- VI.P. Request for Purchase, Apple Computer Hardware for Investigations, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Apple, Inc., \$23,728**
- VI.Q. Approve Funding Agreement with Tree Trust to Purchase and Plant Trees in Edina**
- VI.R. Request for Purchase, Edina Aquatic Center Concrete Repairs, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Carciofini Company, \$25,470**
- VI.S. Request for Purchase, Braemar Golf Course Driving Range Mobile Canopy, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Covershots Mobile Canopies International, LLC, \$31,792**
- VI.T. Request for Purchase, Help Desk Software Subscription, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, HappyFox, \$28,794.40**
- VI.U. Adopt Resolution 2022-44; Approving Participation of Hennepin County Housing and Redevelopment Authority in Affordable Housing Project**
- VI.V. Approve Commission Appointments**
- VI.W. Approve New On-Sale Wine and 3.2 On-Sale Beer Liquor License for 50<sup>th</sup> and Plants LLC, dba Stalk and Spade**
- VI.X. Receive Petition Related to Fire Station 2 Site Selection**
- VI.Y. Request for Purchase, After-Hours Audio/Visual Support, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Alpha Video & Audio, \$7,200/month**
- VI.Z. Payment of Health Insurance Continuation Waiver**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, and Staunton

Motion carried.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**VI.M. RESOLUTION 2022-42: SUPPORTING THE E LINE BRT RECOMMENDED CORRIDOR PLAN – ADOPTED**

The Council spoke about neighborhood concerns that included erosion, noise, and light concerns then spoke about business owner concerns that the rail would be a barrier to businesses and the location would increase pass-through traffic on Meadowbrook Drive through the neighborhood.

Transportation Planner Scipioni said the corridor plan did not go into that level of detail of construction impacts as this was the first step but concerns about erosion and sight would be addressed in the final design. He said impacts on 50<sup>th</sup> Street were the main reason for the resolution as it supported relocating the station to 51<sup>st</sup> Street to provide enhanced transit and address concerns of businesses. He stated Kimley Horn had conducted a traffic analysis which found there would not be any significant impacts to traffic at France and 47<sup>th</sup> and vehicle queuing then explained ways to address concerns that included station platform locations with no merging, ticket purchase before boarding, and longer buses with two doors for faster on and off boarding.

**Member Jackson introduced and moved adoption of Resolution 2022-42 supporting the recommended corridor plan for the Metro E Line Bus Rapid Transit Project with exception to move the proposed station platforms from 50<sup>th</sup> Street and France Avenue to 51<sup>st</sup> Street and France Avenue for the southbound station. Member Staunton seconded the motion.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, Hovland

Motion carried.

**VII. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**VII.A. PRESERVATION MONTH 2022 – PROCLAIMED**

Mayor Hovland read in full a proclamation to declare Preservation Month 2022 in the City of Edina. Heritage Preservation Commission Chair Schilling accepted the proclamation.

**Member Jackson made a motion, seconded by Member Pierce, to approve the Proclamation for Preservation Month 2022.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

**VII.B. 2022 HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARD: TOWN HALL STATION – PRESENTED**

Chair Schilling presented the 2022 Edina Heritage award to Town Hall Station. She shared history of the site then presented the plaque.

**VII.C. KIDS TO PARKS DAY IN EDINA – PROCLAIMED**

Mayor Hovland read in full a proclamation to declare Kids to Parks Day in the City of Edina and thanked all staff for their work.

**Member Jackson made a motion, seconded by Member Staunton, to approve the Proclamation for Kids to Parks Day in Edina.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Director Vetter shared the mission to preserve and create environmental stewardship in parks then outlined the many program offerings in the City.

**VII.D. ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK – PROCLAIMED**

Mayor Hovland read in full a proclamation to declare annual professional Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Edina, spoke about the quality of elections in the City and State, then thanked staff for their work.

**Member Anderson made a motion, seconded by Member Pierce, to approve the Proclamation for Municipal Clerks Week 2022.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

Clerk Allison thanked the Council on behalf of their department and encouraged the community to serve as election judges.

**VII.E. HOMETOWN HERO RECOGNITION – PRESENTED**

Communications and Technology Services Director Bennerotte shared about the work of health care professionals and health services staff in Edina Public Schools during the COVID-19 pandemic and requested that Council recognize Edina Public Schools health services staff as Hometown Heroes for their extraordinary work during these past two years.

**IX. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**IX.A. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-45 ACCEPTING DONATIONS – ADOPTED**

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**Member Staunton introduced and moved adoption of Resolution No. 2022-45 accepting donations.** Member Pierce seconded the motion.

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

### **IX.B. FIRE STATION 2 SITE SELECTION – APPROVED**

Manager Neal shared background of Fire Station 2 site selection that included review of the future of EMS and fire services to ensure the appropriate number of firefighters and station location to provide the best level of service for the City. He explained how they engaged a professional consultant as part of the process and their work to identify the best location for a new station in the Southdale quadrant in the City that included a review of staffing and response times and that staff would be recommending a site for consideration.

Fire Chief Slama presented the site selection process overview that would best serve the public. He spoke about traffic patterns affecting response time and public outreach that included town talks, neighborhood meetings and other engagement efforts. He outlined current station locations, reviewed fire and EMS call volumes for the past three years, and recommendations of the study to retain Station 1 in its current location and construct a new Station 2 near the southwest corner of the Southdale Center. Chief Slama stated this plan allowed for continued growth in the northeast quadrant over the next 5-10 years for a third station in the general location of City Hall. He reviewed factors for site selection then reviewed the two proposed sites at 66<sup>th</sup> and Valley View Road and 4401 76<sup>th</sup> Street West. He outlined the benefits, access and barriers of both sites then reviewed the public input that resulted in concerns with the Rosland site that included safety, traffic, noise, and loss of green space and said staff recommended that 4401 76<sup>th</sup> Street West replace the current Fire Station 2 as it was best positioned to serve current and future call volume in the southeast quadrant.

Manager Neal stated staff believe this was the best overall site and if approved would provide direction to start the acquisition process for the site and reduce concerns about the future of Rosland Park.

The Council asked questions and provided feedback.

**Member Staunton made a motion, seconded by Member Pierce, to approve the recommended site and enter into an agreement with the property owners of 4401 76<sup>th</sup> Street West for purchase.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland

Motion carried.

**VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - Affidavits of Notice presented and ordered placed on file.

### **VIII.A. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-43; APPROVING RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT VACATION AT WATERMAN AVENUE – CONTINUED TO MAY 17, 2022**

Director of Engineering Millner said an application was received on March 25, 2022 from Interlachen Country Club requesting that a portion of the right-of-way street easement of Waterman Avenue be vacated.

Mayor Hovland opened the public hearing at 8:14 p.m.

#### **Public Testimony**

No one appeared.

**Member Staunton made a motion, seconded by Member Jackson, to close the public hearing at noon on May 9, 2022, and continue consideration of Resolution No. 2022-43 vacating alley right-of-way easement Waterman Avenue to the May 17, 2022, City Council meeting.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Staunton, Hovland  
Abstain: Pierce  
Motion carried.

**VIII.B. RESOLUTION NO. 2022-46; SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR 4931 77<sup>TH</sup> STREET WEST – CONTINUED TO MAY 17, 2022**

Community Development Director Teague said William Bauer, SEH, on behalf of Prince Bhakta, JR Hospitality, was requesting site plan review for a project within the Pentagon Park South (PUD-17) known as Pentagon Village. Pentagon Village was approved in 2019 and the site at 4931 77<sup>th</sup> St. received site plan approval to construct a five-story 235-room hotel. Construction of the hotel was delayed in 2020 due to the pandemic and therefore approvals had expired. The applicant was proposing to construct the same hotel approved in 2019.

William Bauer, SEH Engineering, shared about JR Hospitality, brand patterns, and their background in operating 13 hotels in Minnesota and Wisconsin, with seven more under development in the Twin Cities. He shared their intent to partner with Hawkeye Hotels then spoke about site background, shared and surface parking, underground storm water management system, and the dual branding of a Fairfield Inn and Suites and TownePlace Suites that would provide both business and leisure travelers and extended stay options. He outlined the proposed amenities and common space and stated no changes to the site plan had occurred with the exception of some landscaping and expanding the number of rooms from 235 to 239.

Mayor Hovland opened the public hearing at 8:27 p.m.

**Public Testimony**

No one appeared.

The Council asked questions and provided feedback.

**Member Pierce made a motion, seconded by Member Jackson, to close the public hearing at noon on May 9, 2022, and continue consideration of Resolution No. 2022-46 approving a site plan for 4931 77<sup>th</sup> Street West for Pentagon Village and JR Hospitality to the May 17, 2022, City Council meeting.**

Rollcall:

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Hovland  
Motion carried.

**IX. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**IX.A. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-45 ACCEPTING DONATIONS - ADOPTED**

**IX.B. FIRE STATION 2 SITE SELECTION - APPROVED**

These items were considered following VII. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS.

**X. COMMISSION CORRESPONDENCE (MINUTES AND ADVISORY COMMUNICATION) – Received**

**X.A. MINUTES: HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELATIONS COMMISSION, FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

**X.B. MINUTES: ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION, FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

**X.C. MINUTES: TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, MARCH 24, 2022**

**X.D. MINUTES: ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION, MARCH 10, 2022**

**X.E. ADVISORY COMMUNICATION, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION: FUNDING REQUEST TO STATE LEGISLATURE FOR CLIMATE ACTION**

**XI. MANAGER'S COMMENTS – Received**

**XI.A. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT – PRELIMINARY Q1 2022**

**XII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS – Received**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Member Staunton made a motion, seconded by Member Pierce, to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.**

Ayes: Anderson, Jackson, Pierce, Staunton, and Hovland.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sharon Allison, City Clerk

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, May 17, 2022.



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James B. Hovland, Mayor

Video Copy of the May 4, 2022, meeting available.