WAYZATA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
November 20, 2018

AGENDA ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Mayor Willcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 2. Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM 3. Roll Call.

Council Members present: Koch, McCarthy, Plechash and Tyacke. Also present: City Manager Dahl, Director of Planning and Building Thomson, Public Works Director/City Engineer Kelly, and City Attorney Schelzel.

AGENDA ITEM 4. Approve Agenda.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarthy, to approve the agenda, as presented. The motion carried 5/0.

Mayor Willcox gave a brief update as to the items discussed in the Council work session prior to the Council meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5. Public Forum.

a. Recognition of Lake Minnetonka Science Collaborative

Mick Johnson, Wayzata Lake Effect Conservancy Board, shared the background on the lake effect. He said it was a collaboration of the community and offered his thanks. Mayor Willcox thanked the collaborative and said it was an honor to help present the awards of merit to the following organizations and people: YMCA, Wayzata Sailing Community, Science Museum of Minnesota, University of Minnesota, Wayzata Public Schools, Minnehaha Creek Watershed District, Lake Minnetonka Association, Lake Minnetonka Conservation District, Department of Natural Resources, Wayzata Parks & Trails, Interfaith Outreach, Three Rivers Park District, John Purdy, Donald Duncan, and William Popp.

b. Swearing in Firefighter Sam Nierman

Fire Chief Kevin Klapprich talked about the program for new firefighters that was started in 2006. New recruits were started in a one-year probation period. After successful completion of that year, the recruit was sworn in. He described the 200-hours of training that Sam Nierman and Derek Day had completed including Firefighter One, Firefighter Two, Hazmat, and Emergency Medical Response.

Mr. Dahl administered the oath of office for Mr. Nierman.

c. Swearing in Firefighter Derek Day

Mr. Dahl administered the oath of office for Mr. Day.

d. Presentation Historical Society, Wayzata Community Bank at 305 Lake St E

Joanie Holst, Wayzata Historical Society President, shared the history of the Wayzata State Bank. She said that the Historical Society hoped that the bank façade would be preserved and incorporated into the new design; however, if it was demolished then it would be reconstructed to mitigate the loss of heritage.

Nate Leding, Heritage Preservation Board, talked about the historical and architectural significance of the bank.

AGENDA ITEM 6. New Agenda Items.
None.

AGENDA ITEM 7. Consent Agenda.
Mr. Dahl recommended that Item 7.f. be tabled to the following meeting in order to tie up one detail. Mrs. McCarthy asked what impact it would have on Item 7.g. Mr. Dahl answered that 7.g. would be void if 7.f. failed to pass at the following meeting.

Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tyacke, to approve the consent agenda:
a. Approval of City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2018 and November 13, 2018.
b. Approval of Check Register
c. Approval of Municipal Licenses
d. Police Activity Report
e. Building Activity Report
~~f. Approval of Development Agreement for Ventana Condos at 253 Lake St E~~
g. Consider Approval of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) between the City of Wayzata and Ventana, LLC at 253 Lake Street Easy
h. Consider Approval of Plans and Authorization to Solicit Public Bids for the Rehabilitation of the Water Tower, located at 403 Gardner Street East.
i. Approval of Second Reading of Ordinance N. 786 Amending the Fire Prevention Code
The motion carried 5/0.

AGENDA ITEM 8. New Business.
a. Consider Resolution No. 65-2018 Amending Lake Street Design
Mr. Dahl discussed the history, background, and context.

Scott Jordan, Civitas, talked about the core values and four new options. He also discussed lighting options, Memorial Plaza, and a schedule update.

Mr. Tyacke asked if eliminating the water treatment component would worsen the current conditions. Mr. Jordan clarified that options one and four included some amount of water treatment, but that leaving it out entirely would not decrease current conditions. Mr. Tyacke asked if there would be signage for crossing on the multi-use path. Mr. Jordan answered that the plan did not currently address that level of detail.

Mr. Koch asked how much space would be taken from drive lanes in option one in order to have separate trails for bicyclists and pedestrians. Jordan answered that it was possible to do, but Civitas needed specific guidance from Council in order to get into exact numbers.

Luke VanSanten, 2148 Sheridan Hills Road, read his letter to the Council asking it to keep separate paths for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Mayor Willcox explained that a design was already approved. However, the Council was looking at the new options in order to address some concerns from residents about vehicular traffic.

Mr. Tyacke noted he would like more time to consider these options. He felt that it was important to have a bike lane, garden rooms, and center drive lane. He shared that he was leaning toward option two. He was also in favor of option two for lighting and locating Memorial Plaza on the east end where recommended.

Mr. Koch discussed each option and shared that he liked option one because it maintained the connection to the lake, but he still wanted to separate the bike and pedestrian lanes.

Mr. Plechash liked the plan for Memorial Plaza and disliked the Tivoli lighting. He discussed each option and stated he was in favor of the original design.

Mrs. McCarthy thanked the developer and staff for going back to the drawing board to address concerns of the public. She was in favor of keeping the original design, but borrowing some space to widen the drive lanes. She liked the Tivoli lighting, but wanted to see it in a smaller space. She was supportive of the plan for the Memorial Plaza.

Mayor Willcox shared that there were strong opinions both for and against the center lane. He favored option one, but noted that it was ideal to separate bicyclists from pedestrians. He did not think the Tivoli lights enhanced the downtown area and preferred the traditional lantern lights. He approved of the location for Memorial Plaza.

Mr. Plechash was also in favor of option one with two separate trails.

Mr. Jordan said there seemed to be a consensus for keeping the bicyclist and pedestrian paths separate, but still have twelve-foot drive lanes. Mayor Willcox asked what that would look like. Mr. Jordan answered it would be similar to the current approved plan with slight adjustments. Mr. Dahl asked if that provided adequate width on the northside. Mr. Jordan said it would be 21 feet instead of 22 feet, but that it would be sufficient.

Mayor Willcox asked what the net result for traffic would be. Matt Pacyna, SRF Consulting, answered that there would be turn lanes at the two locations that had higher counts, but overall traffic operations would be similar to current patterns.

Stacy Carisch, of Carisch Inc., owner of the 600-block, wondered if the Council and the community had adequate time to absorb the new information and consider the unintended consequences of each option.

Mayor Willcox noted the original design was approved in June and the Council was essentially going over what had been considered before.

Mr. Dahl read the draft resolution with changes as follows: Lake Street – widen sidewalk along the northside of lake street, removal of the center turn lane, widen drive aisles, provide turn pockets with stacking room at a minimum at the Broadway and Barry intersections and exploring turn pockets at the other locations on Lake Street, provide a convertible loading area for each block, loading areas during day time hours and parking during evenings and weekends, provide a dedicated 10 foot wide bike lane on the south side of Lake Street with planted buffer between bike lane and pedestrian walkway, and provide storm water treatment within the right-of-way. Lake Street Plaza – removal of parking stalls and converting the area to a community gathering space with flexible park/plaza space which includes a variety of seating alternatives and honors plaza, Tivoli lights over the east drive turn around, garden rooms that provide a variety of multi-generational experiences and activities, could accommodate special events and maintains access to the public parking and access drive at 400 Broadway Avenue South.

Mr. Koch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash, to Adopt Resolution No. 65-2018 Amending the Design Scope for Lake Street and Lake Street Plaza with changes as stated above. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried 4/1 nay (Tyacke).

b. Discuss Status of East Neighborhood Roundabout and Other Contemplated Capital Improvement

Mr. Kelly gave background information and a brief history of the roundabout's current configuration. He noted the main concern was pedestrian connectivity. He said that it seemed to be functioning reasonably well and neighbors were happy, but he was looking for direction from the Council on how to move forward.

Mr. Dahl noted that $140,000 was budgeted for the roundabout and could be repurposed if no changes were made. Mr. Koch asked if it was acceptable accounting to repurpose for landscaping needs in the east neighborhood. Mr. Dahl confirmed.

Mr. Tyacke asked if the roundabout was changed to full access, would it require any private property. Mr. Kelly answered it would not, but the City would lose the sidewalk on the east corner.

Mrs. McCarthy asked if the traffic was being pushed down certain streets. Mr. Kelly confirmed and said the only challenge was for people who live on the northside of the neighborhood.

Cathy Iverson, 220 Central Avenue S, shared a concern of losing landscaping in front of one home if the roundabout was changed to full access.

Gordy Straka, 130 Huntington Avenue S, asked where the new count came from. Mr. Kelly answered an online poll. Mr. Straka said that opening the roundabout would not remove all of the landscaping and he was in favor of full access.

Jeff Shore, 1030 E Circle Drive, said he lived near the roundabout and traffic was slower and safer. He was in favor of leaving the roundabout as it was.

Peter Fischer, 164 Huntington Avenue S, shared that traffic in the neighborhood was the lowest it had been.

Dan Gustafson, 1040 E Circle Drive, said the right balance had been found in terms of traffic. He showed the Council a video of current traffic on the roundabout. He said that he would like to see the funds allocated to a buffer and redesign.

Mrs. McCarthy said that based on comments from the last neighborhood meeting, online poll, and tonight, it seemed the majority thought the roundabout and speed humps were working as planned.

Mr. Plechash said as an engineer, he leaned toward full access, but since the neighborhood thought it satisfied the purpose of safety then it should be left as it was.

Mr. Tyacke and Mr. Koch agreed.

Mayor Willcox said that he supports having full access.

Mr. Kelly noted that there would still be the option to revisit and full open it later.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarty, to leave the roundabout in its current configuration at this time and reserve the option in future Capital Improvement projects to revisit if circumstances were changed. The motion carried 4/1 (Willcox).

Mr. Kelly updated the Council on other optional capital improvement projects including the east buffer. He discussed the background and three alternatives.

Mr. Plechash asked how snow would be cleared from the boardwalk. Mr. Kelly answer it would be done by a small blower or shovel by the parks department.

Mrs. McCarthy asked about the permitting process. Mr. Kelly said the boardwalk would have minimal effect so it would be easier to go through permitting agencies. Mrs. McCarthy asked about the location of the sidewalk. Mr. Kelly answered it was the best spot based on the topography.

Mr. Kelly talked about the east buffer landscaping including 22 failed trees. He said there was $25,000 in escrow that could be used. He also discussed the Eastman Lane landscaping and possible future components and cost. Mr. Kelly explained that staff needed to know the Council's priorities and next steps concerning Circle A Drive pedestrian connections, Eastman Lane landscaping, and east buffer landscaping.

Mr. Tyacke shared that he favored a sidewalk over the boardwalk for Circle A Drive.

Mrs. McCarthy wanted to see the buffer get addressed first.

Bruno Silikowski, 173 Huntington Avenue S, said that lights were lacking where Circle A and Circle E meet. He thought it was a traffic safety issue. He supported the sidewalk.

Mr. Plechash was in favor of a sidewalk instead of boardwalk. The east buffer was his second priority with Eastman Lane landscaping being last.

Mr. Koch said that pedestrian connection was a priority, but the east buffer landscaping was just as important.

Mayor Willcox indicated that sidewalk for pedestrian connection was the most important.

Mr. Dahl said the other two projects could be put into the capital improvement plan and revisited in April, 2019.

c. Consider Resolution No. 62-2018 Approving the Zitzloff Redevelopment at 305 and 309 Lake St E

Mr. Thomson reviewed the previous activity and shared the updated floor plans including roof-top elements.

Mr. Tyacke asked if the walkway would match the new sidewalk. Mr. Thomson said that he would have to ask the developer.

Mrs. McCarthy asked if there was a maximum height for utilities on the road. Mr. Thomson explained that mechanicals were not allowed on the roof.

Mayor Willcox commended the applicant for going the extra miles to save the bank façade.

Mr. Schelzel clarified the modification to condition three in the resolution.

Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Koch, to Adopt Resolution No. 62-2018 Approving Project Design, Third Story Setback Variance, Floor Area Ratio Variance, Shoreland Impact Plan/CUP for Impervious Surface, Joint Parking CUP, and Lot Combination. The motion carried 5/0.

Mayor Willcox called a recess at 9:56 p.m. He called the meeting back to order at 10:03 p.m.

d. Consider Resolution No. 66-2018 Approving the PUD Amendment, Project Design, and Setback Variance for Wayzata Community Sailing Center at 456 Arlington Circle S

Mr. Thomson presented the property information. He talked about the 2012 planned unit development for Wayzata Yacht Club and Wayzata Sailing Center. It had been expected that the sailing center would build a new facility on its site. Mr. Thomson discussed the planned unit development amendment, design review, setback variance, Planning Commission review, and the next steps.

Mr. Tyacke asked about storm water management. Mr. Kelly answered that it was being accomplished through grading, flood plan management, and permeable parking spots.

Mr. Plechash liked the building design and wondered why the building material was not in Wayzata's list of approved materials. Mr. Thomson said that in order to be included, staff would need to update the design standards.

Mrs. McCarthy asked about current parking restrictions. Mr. Thomson explained that parking and drop-off for program participants would continue to occur in the west lot of the yacht club.

Paul Penningroth, 1030 Lake Street E, voiced a concern about liquor restrictions. Mr. Thomson said the sailing center would be allowed to host events, but the events would have to apply to the sailing center's mission. Mr. Schelzel confirmed events would have to do with the mission of the sailing center. For example, a board meeting as long as it met with the city's requirements would be okay.

Rob Hunt shared the sailing center's by-laws forbade alcohol and tobacco from the property without a board resolution. He said further that the sailing center had never had an event that included alcohol, but there was some potential for fundraising and the center would not want to be limited by ordinance. Mr. Thomson noted if the sailing center or anyone wanted to apply for liquor license, then it would go through the normal process. Mr. Schelzel noted the sailing center would need to be a good neighbor just like anyone else. Mr. Thomson noted the sailing center had quiet hours from 10:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash, to Adopt Resolution No. 66-2018 Approving PUD Amendment, Project Design, and Setback Variance at 456 Arlington Cir S. The motion carried 5/0.

AGENDA ITEM 9. City Manager's Report and Discussion Items.

a. Upcoming Events/Announcements

- Light up the Lake Celebration on Friday, November 23rd from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- Charter Commission Meeting on Monday, November 26th at 9:00 a.m.
- Happy Thanksgiving! City offices would be closed November 22nd to 23rd.

b. Council Member Updates/Announcements

Mayor Willcox invited everyone to go shopping on Small Business Saturday, November 24th.

AGENDA ITEM 10. Public Forum Continued (if necessary).

There were no comments.

AGENDA ITEM 11. Adjournment.

Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Koch to adjourn. There being no further business, Mr. Willcox adjourned the meeting at 10:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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