

**WAYZATA CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2017**

AGENDA ITEM 1. Public Meeting.

a. Open Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting

Mayor Willcox opened the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization at 5:40 p.m. Members present: Koch, McCarthy, Plechash, Tyacke and Willcox.

Mayor Willcox introduced Rolf Erickson, City Assessor; and Chris Bennett, Hennepin County Assessor.

Mr. Erickson explained the State has mandated they use Market Condition Adjusted Price (MCAP) so that there is no more lag between the value of property and what it sells for. This meeting is the first level of the appeal process. Residents can then appeal to the County, if they have appeared at this meeting. If they appeal to Hennepin County, their appraiser will look at the property. If they still disagree with the recommendation, they will go a meeting and present their information. It takes a couple of years for cases to be heard in Tax Court.

b. Hear Appeals

The Council considered the request for Tom Shiek, 205 Barry Ave S #213, appealing the valuation of his Wayzata Villa Condo.

Assessor Erickson confirmed that Mr. Shiek was not present at the meeting. He reported Mr. Shiek had a 30 percent increase in his valuation, and agrees it should be lower due to the noisy laundry room next to him. He received a valuation of \$78,000 last April and it is now valued at \$124,000. Assessor Erickson stated it should be \$116,000.

Councilmember Koch inquired why it increased so much. Assessor Erickson stated people bought the condos cheaply, renovated them, and then resold them. There are units valued up to \$300,000 and the sale of some of the properties within the building are what drove up the valuation of Mr. Shiek's property. Also, there is nothing else, in terms of Condos by Lake Street, in Wayzata that is affordable other than these units.

Councilmember Plechash inquired if the 2016 valuation of \$78,000 was fair market value and if a 50 percent increase is fair. Assessor Erickson stated he does not think it was a fair market value. He believes it should have been going up seven to ten percent for the past five years. He does not have an opinion on if it is fair or not, but it is the law. This is the lowest priced unit and it has not been renovated.

Councilmember Tyacke requested explanation with the adjusted selling price and the market value. Assessor Erickson explained the direct sale price is what the unit sold for, the MCAP sale price is 7.64 percent added to the direct sale price, and the estimated market value is \$217,000. Mass appraisal is somewhat averaged and properties sell at different prices.

Councilmember Tyacke inquired what the approximate tax dollar is on a \$124,000 valuation and a \$116,000 valuation. Assessor Erickson replied it is approximately a 1.5 percent difference of the market value. They can apply for a one-time homestead rebate and get some of their money back.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarthy, to reduce the valuation of the Wayzata Villa Condo at 205 Barry Ave S #213 (PID #06-117-22-23-0139) to \$116,000.

Mr. Plechash stated a 50 percent increase in taxes is not fair.

Mayor Willcox inquired if it can be increased in increments. Assessor Erickson stated it is illegal and it must be increased all at once.

The motion carried 4/1. (Plechash)

The Council considered the request for James and Melanie Raska appealing the valuation of 340 Margaret Circle.

1 Assessor Erickson reported he looked at their refinance appraisal and is recommending no
2 change on the property.

3 Mayor Willcox stated in 2016, they had a valuation of \$583,000 and the refinance appraisal
4 was valued at \$498,000.

5 Mr. Koch commented banks are conservative with their appraisals.

6 Mrs. McCarthy inquired when the house was last inspected. If it is a dated home and has
7 not been updated, it might affect the building value.

8 Assessor Erickson stated the owners were out of town and they could not get into the
9 property to look at it. He recommends maintaining the value on the property because the appraisal
10 is not indicative of the value.

11 Mayor Willcox stated the basis for the appeal is the appraisal, not that they have done
12 renovations or updates.

13 Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarthy, to maintain the valuation of 340
14 Margaret Circle (PID #31-118-22-34-0011) at \$625,000. The motion carried 5/0.

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16 The Council considered the request for Brad Lerman and Rita Conroy appealing the valuation of
17 670 Ferndale Road W.

18 Assessor Erickson reported this property sold in October of 2016 for \$4,400,000 and they
19 received a valuation of \$4,492,000. Since they just bought the property, he recommends putting the
20 valuation at the sale price.

21 Mr. Plechash made a motion, seconded by Mr. Koch, to reduce the valuation of 670
22 Ferndale Road W (PID #01-117-23-33-0035) to \$4,400,000. The motion carried 5/0.

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24 The Council considered the request for David Heil appealing the valuation of 190 Gleason Lake
25 Road.

26 Assessor Erickson explained the property was lowered by the County in 2015 to \$445,000.
27 He is recommending a slight change due to the 6 percent market inflation, putting the valuation at
28 \$500,000.

29 Mrs. McCarthy inquired if this is the property that argued the value was too high because
30 it was under construction, but are now saying it is a teardown. She recalled there was a lot of
31 discussion around it, the owner would not let former Assessor Distal back on the property to look
32 at it, and they had to base their valuation on the building permits. She does not support reducing
33 the valuation.

34 Mr. Tyacke stated the owner has an application to split the property into two parcels.
35 Director of Planning and Building Thomson stated they have met with the owner about a
36 subdivision, but they do not have an initial application.

37 Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Willcox, to maintain the valuation of 190
38 Gleason Lake Road at \$520,000.

39 Mr. Plechash stated he has no prior knowledge of the property and does support changing
40 the assessor's recommendation. Mr. Koch agreed.

41 Mr. Tyacke stated he will support it either way.

42 The motion failed 2/3. (Koch, Tyacke, and Plechash)

43 Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash, to reduce the valuation of 190
44 Gleason Lake Road (PID #05-117-22-13-0014) to \$500,000.

45 The motion carried 4/1. (McCarthy)

46 Assessor Erickson stated he will go and look at the property for the next assessment.

47 Mr. Plechash inquired if it is possible for a valuation to increase if a homeowner contests
48 an assessment and appeals it. Assessor Erickson stated yes.

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50 The Council considered the request for Robert and Cori Mueffelmann appealing the valuation of
51 172 Birch Lane West.

1 Assessor Erickson reported they are recommending a reduction in valuation for this
2 property because it is extremely dated.

3 Mr. Tyacke stated the bulk of the value is in the land with the larger lots. Mr. Erickson
4 commented the lot is 48,926 square feet.

5 Mr. Plechash made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tyacke, to reduce the valuation of 172 Birch
6 Lane (PID #01-117-23-14-0020) to \$750,000.

7 The motion carried 5/0.

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9 The Council considered the request for Robert Lindahl appealing the valuation of 240 Bushaway
10 Rd.

11 Assessor Erickson reported the property recently sold in 2017 and he does not understand
12 why the valuation is so far off. Higher priced houses can end up changing because of the way the
13 County sets the rates for mass appraising.

14 Mr. Koch commented the listed square footage of 2,600 square feet may be wrong.
15 Assessor Erickson stated that is wrong and it should be 5,204 square feet.

16 Mr. Koch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash, to reduce the valuation of 240
17 Bushaway Rd (PID #05-117-22-31-0023) to \$1,498,000. The motion carried 5/0.

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19 The Council considered the request for Jeff Buchanan appealing the valuation of 173 Lakeview
20 Lane South.

21 Assessor Erickson reported this property had a refinance appraisal valuation of \$1,215,000
22 and in 2016 at \$1,280,000. They recommend staying with their 2017 valuation of \$1,381,000. They
23 reviewed the records and drove by, but did not look inside.

24 Mrs. McCarthy inquired if the land goes up ten to fifteen percent each year. Assessor
25 Erickson said it is typical for this neighborhood.

26 Mr. Willcox inquired if the valuation includes just the house, or other outbuildings as well.
27 Assessor Erickson responded they are seen as site improvements and are included.

28 Mr. Tyacke stated this property is in the same neighborhood as one they looked at
29 previously and the real estate land values are comparable.

30 Mr. Plechash inquired if there is any correlation between the banks refinance number and
31 the actual sale price of a home. Assessor Erickson said he does not have official numbers, but the
32 bank refinance appraisal seems to be about 10 to 20 percent lower.

33 Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarthy, to keep the valuation of 173
34 Lakeview Avenue South (PID #01-117-23-14-0015) at \$1,381,000. The motion carried 5/0.

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36 The Council considered the request from Choli Caroline Fei appealing the valuation at 140 Hunters
37 Glen Road (PID #05-117-22-12-0015).

38 Ms. Fei reported the valuation of her property in 2016 was \$623,000, in 2017 it was valued
39 at \$675,000 and it is now valued at \$824,000 for 2018. She had an assessor in, and he appraised it
40 at \$775,000. The house has not been updated for the past ten years. She has about one acre of land
41 and 125 feet of shoreline on Gleason Lake.

42 Assessor Erickson looked up her property on the County website and clarified the 2017
43 value was \$775,000 and was \$675,000 in 2016. He stated they need take another look at it and
44 suggested they wait on a decision for this property until they have all the information.

45 Assessor Erickson stated he will also provide a report on the people who are in attendance
46 at this meeting and Ms. Fei's property at the continued Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting
47 before the next City Council meeting on April 18.

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49 The Council considered the request from Tim Mueller appealing the valuation at 360 Waycliffe
50 Drive South (PID #05-117-22-22-0084).

1 Mr. Mueller reported his valuation in 2016 went from \$513,000 to \$520,000. In 2017, it
 2 increased to \$644,000, and his valuation for 2018 is \$605,000. He likes the reduction, but none of
 3 it makes sense. The three properties that have sold on his street in the last year sold for \$170 a
 4 square foot. That price would give him a valuation of \$560,000. Assessor Erickson stated he would
 5 like to take a look at his property and the ones that have sold.

6 Mr. Plechash stated it does not make any sense why they valuations are going up and down
 7 so dramatically. He inquired if there was anything that could be done for what he paid last year.
 8 Assessor Erickson stated he could take it up with Tax Court, but not Hennepin County.
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10 County Assessor Bennett stated the commercial market in Wayzata has continued to improve with
 11 an overall value increase including new construction was just under eight percent. Of the 115
 12 commercial properties in Wayzata, 75 percent had values that were unchanged or increased less
 13 than ten percent, with an additional 15 percent of the properties that had value increases between
 14 ten and 20 percent. The remaining ten percent of commercial properties had increases that exceeded
 15 20 percent. The apartment market increase is just under eight percent. There are still retail
 16 vacancies in the Promenade.

17 Mayor Willcox advised the Board of Appeal and Equalization meeting will need to be
 18 continued to the next City Council meeting on April 18.

19 Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Koch, to recess the Board of Appeal and
 20 Equalization Meeting to the April 18, 2017 City Council meeting. The motion carried 5/0.
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22 **c. Adjourn Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting**

23 Mayor Willcox recessed the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting at 6:48 p.m until
 24 April 18, 2017.
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26 **AGENDA ITEM 1. Call to Order.**

27 Mayor Willcox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
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29 **AGENDA ITEM 2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

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 31 **AGENDA ITEM 3. Roll Call.**

32 Council Members present: Koch, McCarthy, Plechash and Tyacke. Also present: City Manager
 33 Dahl, City Engineer Kelly, and City Attorney Schelzel.
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35 **AGENDA ITEM 4. Approve Agenda.**

36 Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tyacke, to approve the agenda. The motion carried
 37 5/0.
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39 **AGENDA ITEM 5. Public Forum – 16 Minutes (3 minutes per person).**

40 **a. Minnesota Senator David Osmek to Provide a Legislative Update**

41 Senator David Osmek reported the Senate finished the budget today. Funding for Highways 12,
 42 212 and 14 are called out in the transportation bill and he is hopeful they will not be vetoed. If
 43 there is a bonding bill, the transportation bill could also be included there. The Wayzata TIF
 44 adjustment was not included in the tax bill due to concerns with setting a precedent by waiving the
 45 5-year rule. The House has it in their bill, the Senate does not, but he is confident the Senate will
 46 take the House provision. There will also be an increase in local government aid, which includes
 47 a small cities account with \$10 to \$12 million dollars in it.

48 Mr. Tyacke inquired about the amount of the State surplus. Senator Osmek responded he
 49 will provide them with the exact numbers of the rainy day fund and the remaining surplus, but
 50 believes the surplus is between \$100 and \$200 million dollars.

1 Mrs. McCarthy inquired about the status of small cell technology legislation. Senator
2 Osmek responded they put a lot of work into it and it collapsed three weeks ago. The cell providers
3 wanted access in any City right-of-way, did not want to go through the permitting process, and
4 misinterpreted what zoning was. There is currently no movement and nothing will probably happen
5 with it this session.

6 Mrs. McCarthy stated she read the cell companies would be passing fees onto the consumer
7 and the possibility of having a referendum passed. Senator Osmek stated cell companies must
8 incorporate the cost of units into their billing structure and cities will need to negotiate with them
9 what the fees will be. There was no reference to a referendum in the small cell bills. They focused
10 on keeping the permitting ability with the cities and providing a formula to calculate the value of
11 each unit. The League of Minnesota Cities needs to be in favor of the bill.

12 Mr. Koch thanked Senator Osmek for listening to the League of Minnesota Cities. He
13 supports developing a strong cellular network, but the rights of cities and public land need to be
14 preserved.

15 Mayor Willcox inquired about the status of funding for railroad crossing upgrades and the
16 reverse referendum that gave citizens the opportunity to roll back tax increases. Senator Osmek
17 stated the railroad funding will be handled in next year's bonding bill. The reverse referendum is a
18 dead issue at this time. They may work in some circumstances, but are not universal when it comes
19 to a budget.

20 The Council thanked Senator Osmek for the update and his work.

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22 **b. Presentation by the Organization H.E.A.R.T. (Helping Every At Risk Teen)**

23 Bharat Pulgam, founder, stated H.E.A.R.T. is a student driven, nonprofit organization, and their
24 goal is to break the stigma surrounding mental health. They currently have 60 members and seek
25 to educate students, parents, and the community. This includes wellness week at Wayzata High
26 School, focus groups, discussions with parents, benefit concerts, and a social media campaign.
27 They want to understand the needs of the community and how they can help to impact it in more
28 meaningful ways.

29 Mrs. McCarthy thanked them for what they are doing. She stated it is heartbreaking to see
30 those left with the scars that these tragedies create. She stated she will help in whatever way she
31 can to help prevent further tragedies, and it is critical to let people know who they can reach out to.

32 Mr. Koch agreed with Mrs. McCarthy and stated he has struggled with the tragedies.
33 Something needs to be done, he appreciates the efforts of their organization, and is available to help
34 as the organization moves forward.

35 Mr. Plechash thanked them for what they are doing and stated if they reach just one person
36 to prevent a tragedy, then they have done their job.

37 Mr. Tyacke agreed and stated they have started a great program and he supports it.

38 Mayor Willcox inquired if there is a crisis line that a student would feel comfortable talking
39 to. Mr. Pulgam stated they did implement a suicide prevention hotline this year. As students, they
40 cannot offer counseling, but they are trying to implement a Peers with Heart program to at least
41 initiate discussion. They have been thinking about how as students, they can directly work with
42 other students.

43 Mayor Willcox inquired if there was a common thread that runs through all tragedies. Mr.
44 Pulgam stated every time it happens, people say "I never say that coming." There is no common
45 thread, but 90 percent of those who commit suicide had some sort of mental health issue.

46 Mayor Willcox stated they should use some of the City's communication platforms to let
47 people know what resources are available.

48 Ruchika Kamojjala, H.E.A.R.T President, added the scary truth is that suicide has become
49 normalized in their age group and students think it is the only way out. She suggested making it
50 mandatory for students to see their school counselors so that they can pick up on issues the student
51 may be dealing with.

c. Presentation of the 2016 Fire Department Annual Report

Fire Chief Kevin Klapprich reported in 2016 the Wayzata Fire Department had 295 calls for service. The Department currently has 25 members, and they can have up to 30.

Mr. Koch stated he was impressed with the five-minute response time within the City of Wayzata and inquired about alarm system malfunctions. Mr. Klapprich explained it is a fire alarm that goes off at a home or business, but they cannot figure out why. Unintentional alarms are usually related to burned food.

Mayor Willcox commented they also serve Woodland. Mr. Klapprich stated it is much easier to get to Woodland with Bushaway Road opened and thanked the Excelsior Fire Department for helping out when needed.

Mr. Klapprich reported on Second Call. The Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 22 at 6:45 p.m. at the Fire Station. He reported on the founders of the organization and stated there are currently 300 members. The funds from this organization are raised through membership dues and donations, and are used primarily for unbudgeted fire equipment. Information about Second Call can be found on the City website or call the Fire Station at 952-404-5337.

Mr. Plechash encouraged everyone present at the meeting or watching from home to become a member of Second Call.

d. Presentation of Arbor Month Proclamation

Mayor Willcox read the Arbor Month Proclamation and proclaimed May 2017 as Arbor Month in Wayzata. He announced on April 22, volunteers from Cargill, Burlington Northern, Great River Greening, and Wayzata will celebrate Arbor Day and plant along Bushaway Road. More information can be found on the City's website.

e. Jane Cole

Jane Cole, 181 Ridgeview Drive East, commended the Mayor on his State of the City and stated she was impressed with his comments about a balanced Wayzata and preserving the small-town character of the City. She inquired about the Heritage Preservation Board (HPB) and why it is a committee rather than a commission.

Mayor Willcox stated the HPB is an official Board formed by bylaws. The bylaws state what they are allowed to do and would have to be amended if they required more power. City Attorney Schelzel stated commissions are appointed by the Council.

Ms. Cole commented the name Wayzata is a Sioux Indian word that means north shore and northern god. Mayor Willcox stated the name "Waziata" is on the wall at the Smithsonian and the Wayzata football team's slogan last year was "defend the north shore."

AGENDA ITEM 6. New Agenda Items.

None.

AGENDA ITEM 7. Consent Agenda.

Mrs. McCarthy referred to Resolution No. 12-2017 on page 103 of the meeting packet, and stated the second to last "Whereas" should say temporarily, not temporary. City Manager Dahl agreed and advised he will change it.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mrs. McCarthy, to approve the consent agenda, excluding item 7(e):

- a. Approval of City Council Workshop Minutes of March 21, 2017, and City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2017
- b. Approval of Check Register
- c. Approval of Municipal Licenses

- d. Approval of Second Reading of Ordinance No. 769 Amending Chapter 502 (Intoxicating Liquor) of the City Code for On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for Hotels
- e. Approval of Second Reading of Ordinance No. 770 Amending Chapter 202 (Police Department) and Chapter 203 (Fire Department) of the City Code regarding Retirement Age
- f. Approval of Resolution No. 13-2017 Approving Joint Powers Agreements with the State of Minnesota
- g. Approval of Contract with LHB for Blight Study
- h. Approval of First Reading of Ordinance No. 771 Amending Chapter 802 (Building Code) of the Wayzata City Code
- i. Approval of Resolution No. 12-2017 Regarding the Widsten TIF Amendment and Commitment to Decertify

The motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Koch made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tyacke, to approve item 7(e). The motion carried 4/0. (Plechash abstained)

AGENDA ITEM 8. New Business.

a. Consider New Location for Wayzata Farmers Market

City Manager Dahl reported the market was previously located in the Promenade, but this location is not ideal. Staff asked vendors if they would be interested in moving to the municipal parking lot at the Broadway Docks in 2017 with the following contingencies: 1) They listen to any constructive feedback from the business community; 2) Hours of operation will be 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. to limit impact on lunch/dinner traffic; and, 3) Market cannot be moved until the Mill Street Parking Ramp is at least partially open. Staff believes the Farmers Market is a great first step in the programming the parking lot as a “pop-up park” as referred to in the approved scope of the Lake Effect Park Project, and recommends approval.

Mrs. McCarthy stated this location is more conducive to drawing people in. She inquired if the Farmers Market will remain at the Promenade until the ramp is ready and if four outlets will be sufficient. She also requested temporary trash receptacles be added to the area due to the close proximity to the lake. Mr. Dahl confirmed the market will remain at the Promenade until the ramp is partially opened, most of the vendors do not require electricity, and agreed to include trash receptacles.

Mr. Tyacke agreed it is a great idea and if it does not work they can change it next year.

Mayor Willcox inquired if there was a problem with the location, when can they change the location. Mr. Dahl stated they can close it if there are unexpected problems.

Mayor Willcox inquired if there is a new location for Untiedts at the Farmers Market. Mr. Dahl stated they have not heard from them, but would try to accommodate a new reasonable location.

Mayor Willcox inquired if each vender required permitting. Mr. Dahl responded the whole organization gets permitted as one.

Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the 2017 Wayzata Farmers Market. The motion carried 5/0.

b. Consider Acceptance of Updated Long Term Financial Management Plan

Steve McDonald, AEM Financial Consultant, presented the City’s long term financial plan. He reported on the assumptions that include: 1) Normal operating expenses will increase by a 3 percent inflation rate; 2) The General fund tax levy increase is approximately 3 percent and relates to the expense inflation; 3) There is no projected growth from new housing; 4) The Capital Improvement funds have been scheduled as previously presented to the City Council in Fall 2016; and, 5) The monopole project is assumed to be financed with internal funds.

1 Mr. McDonald provided the following information on the end result of the City's long term
2 financial plan:

- 3 • Tax rates from 2017 projected to the end of 2021 stay stable at about 23 percent.
- 4 • The General fund maintains adequate working capital reserves through the life of the
5 projection.
- 6 • Overall cash reserves fluctuate between \$10 million and are around \$15 million over the
7 life of the projection.
- 8 • Median home value will increase 3 percent.
- 9 • There is no new debt assumed after the 2016 Municipal Ramp bond.
- 10 • The Liquor fund has completed a business plan including financial projections that show
11 positive cash flow and net income.
- 12 • The largest non-recurring project is the ramp. The total cost programmed is \$10.8 million
13 and the majority of the debt service is assumed to be funded by available funds within an
14 existing TIF district. There is no annual general property tax assumed.

15 Mayor Willcox inquired about the City's outstanding bonds. Mr. McDonald explained the
16 City has three different types of outstanding bonds: TIF bonds for the ramp, Revenue bonds that
17 were issued to build the liquor store, and General Obligation bonds that were created with special
18 assessments and a small portion funded with property tax. These types of bonds are viewed
19 differently by bond rating agencies.

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21 **c. Authorize Ad for Bid for 2017 Street Improvement Project**

22 City Engineer Kelly reported the 2017 Street Improvement Project will include the full construction
23 of Glenbrook Road with curb and gutter, and mill and overlay for Hillside Drive and Huntington
24 Avenue South. The project will be funded through the use of the Street Capital Improvement project
25 which currently has \$835,000 budgeted for 2017 street improvements.

26 Mrs. McCarthy inquired if Glenbrook Road currently has curb and gutter. Mr. Kelly
27 responded they currently have asphalt curb and gutter. Fourteen of the 25 residents on that road
28 indicated they want concrete curb and gutter.

29 Mr. Koch inquired if Huntington Avenue will be impacted by the realignment of the
30 Wayzata and Superior Boulevard intersection. Mr. Kelly stated there may be a little impact to the
31 area that is adjacent to the existing curb of Wayzata Boulevard, but nothing significant.

32 Mr. Tyacke made a motion, seconded by Mr. Koch to approve the Advertisement for Bid
33 for the City's 2017 Street Improvement Project. The motion carried 5/0.

34 Mayor Willcox advised Council and staff he will pass on a letter from Julie and Gary
35 Hoiseth regarding sidewalks that were in disarray.

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

38 **a. Upcoming Meetings**

- 39 • Lake Effect Team Meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 12.
- 40 • ULI presentation will take place in the evening on Tuesday, April 11.
- 41 • Strategic Planning Session will take place on April 20-21, and surveys are due
42 tomorrow.

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44 **b. League of Minnesota Cities**

45 City Manager Dahl announced the League of Minnesota Cities is holding its annual conference in
46 Rochester June 14-16.

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48 **c. Update on Superior/Wayzata Boulevard Construction**

1 City Manager Dahl stated they are working on getting a proposal from SRF for further direction on
 2 the project. A meeting about the project is still scheduled for April 18, but may be delayed. A
 3 decision on the project is not needed until mid-summer.

4 Mrs. McCarthy commented there is a bus stop at the end of Benton and the options should
 5 be carefully weighed with all that goes on at that intersection. City Engineer Kelly stated SRF is
 6 aware of the bus stop and it is being considered in both options. He thanked the Council for their
 7 comments and questions and requested they send additional questions so they can forward them to
 8 SRF.

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 10 **d. Council Updates/Questions**

11 Mrs. McCarthy inquired when road restrictions would be lifted. City Engineer Kelly stated they
 12 follow what Mn/DOT advises. Restrictions typically last six to eight weeks, and they are at about
 13 six weeks now. They will notify people as soon as they are lifted by Mn/DOT.

14 Mrs. McCarthy commented the new LED lights on Highway 12 have been reduced in
 15 brightness. The neighborhood lights are being switched over to LED, and while they are directed
 16 in a better position, they are very bright. Mr. Kelly noted the light is much whiter, but the area it is
 17 covering is more directed than it was before. They will start the transformation of switching over
 18 to LED with the parking ramp along Mill Street and the lights along Lake Street and at City Hall
 19 will be switched out as needed. Mayor Willcox stated the Civitas designers may suggest something
 20 different.

21 Mayor Willcox commented the Public Art Committee met with the sculptor for the
 22 roundabout and he will have it installed in late summer. He announced the following events:

- 23 • Bushaway Planting will take place on April 22 and people should sign up if they are
- 24 interested in participating.
- 25 • Spring Clean Up will take place on May 6.
- 26 • Dig It will take place on May 20.

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 28 **AGENDA ITEM 10. Public Forum Continued (as necessary).**

29 There were no comments.

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 31 **AGENDA ITEM 11. Adjournment.**

32 Mrs. McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash to adjourn. There being no further
 33 business, Mr. Willcox adjourned the meeting at 8:51 p.m.

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 35 Respectfully submitted,

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 37 *Becky Malone 04-18-2017*

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 39 Becky Malone
 40 Deputy City Clerk

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 42 Drafted by Shannon Schmidt
 43 TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.