



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

Special City Council Work Session

September 17, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The work session was called to order by Mayor Elliott at 6:18 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

Council Members Present: Pat Elliott, Mayor; Maria Regan Gonzalez; and Michael Howard.

Council Members Absent: Edwina Garcia and Simon Trautmann.

Staff Present: Steven L. Devich, City Manager; and Kristin Asher, Public Works Director.

Item #1	LYNDALE AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT
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Mayor Elliott stated the purpose of the meeting. He stated that he wanted to clarify that when he stated that there were some decisions to be made, that did not include the roundabout. The decision for the roundabout is done and he apologized if his statement confused residents that that decision could be changed.

The general discussion among the residents directed to the City staff and City Council were centered on the following:

- The City's community input process for the project was confusing and didn't provide adequate communication with residents most impacted.
- Several suggestions were made relating to improving the resident input and communications process including but not limited to: City Council should be door-knocking to make sure all of the residents are informed about City initiatives, big glaring signs, door knocking, e-mail surveys, utilizing block captains to get messaging out.
- Several specific questions were asked regarding different elements of the project (i.e. width of the road, right of way clarification, roundabout safety etc.).

The City Council and staff indicated that they heard the issues presented by the residents and would look toward ways to improve the process in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:58 p.m.

Date Approved: October 9, 2018

Pat Elliott
Mayor

Jared Voto
Executive Aide/Analyst

Steven L. Devich
City Manager