



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Richfield, Minnesota
Special City Council Worksession
January 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goettel at 5:45 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

Council Members Present: Debbie Goettel, Mayor; Pat Elliott; Edwina Garcia; Tom Fitzhenry; and Michael Howard

Staff Present: Steven L. Devich, City Manager; Kristin Asher, Public Works Director; Jim Topitzhofer, Recreation Services Director; Pam Dmytrenko, Assistant City Manager/HR Manager; Jeff Pearson, City Engineer; and Cheryl Krumholz, Executive Coordinator.

Mayor Goettel recognized the attendance of Boy Scout Troop 262 from Oak Grove Lutheran Church who is earning their Citizenship Community Badge.

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| Item #1 | DISCUSSION REGARDING 66TH STREET RECONSTRUCTION STAGING MEDIAN DESIGN (COUNCIL MEMO NO. 2) |
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Maury Hooper, Hennepin County Project Manager, discussed construction staging for the 66th Street Reconstruction project. He reviewed Hennepin County's refined construction staging during the final design development process, including potential changes related to full closures and field changes.

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| Item #2 | MAYOR GOETTEL'S SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION OF HER RECENT TRIP TO CHINA |
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Mayor Goettel summarized the purpose of her recent trip to China to further develop a relationship between Richfield and Shouyang County, China and explained how this will benefit Richfield and Shouyang. Chinese investors and business officials are interested in investing, business exchange and developing a sister city relationship at the government level. This trip was an exploratory visit by the invitation of the Chinese government.

Mayor Goettel reviewed the itinerary of the trip. She explained that a Memorandum of Understanding was signed to pursue a Sister City agreement and asked the City Council to consider a resolution to consider a Sister City relationship.

The City Council consensus was to review the information provided by the Mayor before pursuing a Sister City relationship.

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| Item #3 | DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RICHFIELD BAND SHELL (COUNCIL MEMO NO. 3) |
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Recreation Services Director Topitzhofer discussed the plan to move the band shell project forward, including funding options and reductions in construction costs. Three ways to reduce costs were suggested including conducting exploratory borings to find a site where soils will allow a less expensive foundation, hiring a construction manager instead of a general contractor, and reducing the size of the band shell.

Council Member Garcia stated a construction manager is a reasonable way to handle the project.

Mayor Goettel stated exploratory borings are cost effective.

Council Member Fitzhenry stated he would not support this project because it appears to continue to have issues.

Council Member Elliott stated he is against providing any additional City funding over what was already committed.

Council Member Howard stated that within the already approved City funding, he supported the exploratory borings to make sure this location worked.

Mr. Topitzhofer explained the differences between a construction manager and general contractor. He also explained the process to change the location of the band shell.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Date Approved: January 26, 2016

Debbie Goettel
Mayor

Cheryl Krumholz
Executive Coordinator

Steven L. Devich
City Manager



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Richfield, Minnesota

Regular Meeting

January 12, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goettel at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Council Members Present: Debbie Goettel, Mayor; Edwina Garcia, Tom Fitzhenry; Pat Elliott; and Michael Howard.

Staff Present: Steven L. Devich, City Manager; John Stark, Community Development Director; Chris Regis, Finance Manager; Pam Dmytrenko, Assistant City Manager/HR Manager; Mary Tietjen, City Attorney; and Cheryl Krumholz, Executive Coordinator.

OPEN FORUM

Mayor Goettel acknowledged the attendance of Boy Scout Troop 262 from Oak Grove Lutheran Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Troop 262 led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were not approved at this meeting.

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| Item #1 | COUNCIL DISCUSSION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hats Off to Hometown Hits |
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Council Member Fitzhenry reported on the restrictions related to flying drones.

M/Goettel, S/Elliott to direct staff to prepare a resolution for City Council consideration on January 26, 2016 to increase the City Council's Health Care Savings Plan contribution by \$25 per pay period.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| Item #2 | COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AGENDA |
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M/Fitzhenry, S/Garcia to approve the agenda.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| Item #3 | CONSENT CALENDAR |
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- A. Consideration of the approval of a designation of an Acting City Manager for 2016. S.R. No. 1
- B. Consideration of the approval of a resolution designating an official newspaper for 2016. S.R. No. 2

RESOLUTION NO. 11166

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR 2016

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11166.

- C. Consideration of the approval of the resolution authorizing the use of credit cards by City employees otherwise authorized to make purchases on behalf of the City. S.R. No. 3

RESOLUTION NO. 11167

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CREDIT CARDS BY CITY EMPLOYEES OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE PURCHASES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD FOR THE YEAR 2016

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11167.

- D. Consideration of the approval of the resolutions designating official depositories for the City of Richfield for 2016, including the approval of collateral. S.R. No. 4

RESOLUTION NO. 11168

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING U.S. BANK A DEPOSITORY OF FUNDS OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD FOR THE YEAR 2016

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11168.

RESOLUTION NO. 11169

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CERTAIN SAVING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS, BANKS AND CREDIT UNIONS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR THE DEPOSIT AND INVESTMENT OF CITY FUNDS IN 2016

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11169.

RESOLUTION NO. 11170

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CERTAIN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AS DEPOSITORIES FOR THE INVESTMENT OF CITY OF RICHFIELD FUNDS IN 2016

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11170.

- E. Consideration of a resolution granting site plan approval and variances to allow a fitness studio in an existing building at 6722 Penn Avenue. S.R. No. 5

RESOLUTION NO. 11171

RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF A SITE PLAN AND VARIANCES AT
6722 PENN AVENUE

This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11171.

- F. Consideration of the approval of the first reading of an ordinance to allow beekeeping in the City of Richfield. S.R. No. 6
- G. Consideration of the approval of the Continuing Agreement for 2016 between the Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and the City of Richfield Police Department for continuing funds for a Police Cadet and/or Community Service Officer position and Joint Community Police Partnership (JCPP) training. The funds available for 2016 will be \$20,000. S.R. No. 7
- H. Consideration of the approval of the continuation of the agreement with the City of Bloomington for the provision of public health services for the City of Richfield for the year 2016. S.R. No. 8

M/Goettel, S/Elliott to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| Item #4 | CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS, IF ANY, REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR |
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None.

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| Item #5 | PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AND THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE GRANTING OF A CABLE COMMUNICATION S FRANCHISE WITH CENTURYLINK FOR THE CITY FOR RICHFIELD S.R. NO. 9 |
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Council Member Elliott presented Staff Report No. 9.

Brian Grogan, Southwest Suburban Cable Commission legal counsel, made a presentation regarding the terms of the proposed CenturyLink franchise, including franchise negotiations, system build out, mosaic channel, PEG channels, free service to public buildings and indemnification. He stated the SWSCC recommendation is to grant the cable franchise to CenturyLink.

Pat Haggerty, CenturyLink, expressed excitement for CenturyLink being in Richfield.

City Manager Devich explained he has authorized the City Clerk to pre-publish the summary resolution so, if the ordinance is approved on January 26, 2016, it can be effective March 1, 2016.

M/Elliott, S/Fitzhenry to continue the public hearing to January 26, 2016; approve the resolution granting of a cable communications franchise with CenturyLink for the City of Richfield;

approve the first reading of an ordinance granting a cable television franchise to Qwest Broadband Services, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink; and schedule second reading of the ordinance for January 26, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 11172

RESOLUTION REGARDING AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A COMPETITIVE CABLE FRANCHISE FOR QWEST BROADBAND SERVICES, INC., D/B/A CENTURYLINK

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11172.

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| Items #6 | CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PAID PARENTAL LEAVE FOR BENEFIT-ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD S.R. NO. 10 |
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Council Member Howard presented Staff Report No. 10.

M/Howard, S/ Goettel that the following resolution be adopted and that it be made part of these minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 11173

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPLEMENTATION OF PAID PARENTAL LEAVE FOR BENEFIT-ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF RICHFIELD

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11173.

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| Items #7 | CONSIDERATION OF THE RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2015-2016 LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 49 S.R. NO. 11 |
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Council Member Garcia presented Staff Report No. 11.

M/Garcia, S/Howard that the following resolution be adopted and that it be made part of these minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 11174

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING CITY'S CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR EMPLOYEES COVERED BY THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL 49

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11174.

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| Item #8 | CONSIDERATION OF THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE POLICE SUPERVISORS LELS LOCAL 162 FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT S.R. NO. 12 |
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Council Member Fitzhenry presented Staff Report No. 12.

M/Fitzhenry, S/Garcia that the following resolution be adopted and that it be made part of these minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 11175

RESOLUTION APPROVING LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RICHFIELD AND LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES (LELS), LOCAL 162 BARGAINING UNIT FOR YEARS 2016 - 2017

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11175.

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| <p>Item #9</p> | <p>CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE POLICE OFFICERS AND DETECTIVES LELS LOCAL 123 FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT S.R. NO. 13</p> |
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Council Member Fitzhenry presented Staff Report No. 13.

M/Fitzhenry, S/Howard that the following resolution be adopted and that it be made part of these minutes:

RESOLUTION NO. 11176

RESOLUTION APPROVING LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RICHFIELD AND LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES (LELS), LOCAL 123 BARGAINING UNIT FOR THE YEARS 2016 AND 2017

Motion carried 5-0. This resolution appears as Resolution No. 11176.

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| <p>Item #10</p> | <p>DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CITY COUNCIL ATTENDANCE AT THE 2016 NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES (NLC) CONFERENCES S.R. NO. 14</p> |
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Mayor Goettel presented Staff Report No. 14.

M/Goettel, S/Elliott to designate the Mayor and City Council Members to attend the National League of Conferences in March and November, 2016.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| <p>Item #11</p> | <p>CONSIDERATION OF DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE AS THE 2016 LIAISONS TO VARIOUS METROPOLITAN AGENCIES AND CITY COMMISSION S.R. NO. 15</p> |
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Mayor Goettel presented Staff Report No. 25.

M/Goettel, S/Garcia to designate the Council liaison appointments to various metropolitan agencies and city advisory commissions for 2016.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| <p>Item #12</p> | <p>CONSIDERATION OF THE DESIGNATION OF A MAYOR PRO TEMPORE FOR 2016 S.R. NO. 16</p> |
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Mayor Goettel presented Staff Report No. 16.

M/Goettel, S/Fitzhenry to designate Council Member At-large Michael Howard as Mayor Pro Tempore for 2016.

Motion carried 5-0.

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| Item #13 | CITY MANAGER’S REPORT |
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City Manager Devich reminded the City Council of the following meetings:

- City advisory commission interviews – January 16, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.
- Meeting with local legislators – February 11, 2016 at 7:30 a.m.
- Annual City Council and staff goalsetting session – March 3, 2016 at 5 p.m.

Mr. Devich also reported on a recent meeting with HUD officials regarding the City’s legal action against the Metropolitan Council and MFHA regarding affordable housing.

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| Item #14 | CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS |
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M/Fitzhenry, S/Howard that the following claims and payrolls be approved:

| U.S. Bank | 1/12/16 |
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| A/P Checks: 246644-247024 | \$ 1,634,378.21 |
| Payroll: 115779-116094 | \$ 597,483.65 |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,231,861.86 |

Motion carried 5-0.

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| OPEN FORUM |
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| Item #15 | ADJOURNMENT |
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The City Council Meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:12 p.m.

Date Approved: January 26, 2016

Debbie Goettel
Mayor

Cheryl Krumholz
Executive Coordinator

Steven L. Devich
City Manager