

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Spring Lake Park City Council Regular was held on May 16, 2022 at the City Hall, at 7:00 PM.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Robert Nelson
Councilmember Ken Wendling
Councilmember Brad Delfs
Councilmember Lisa Dircks
Councilmember Barbara Goodboe-Bisschoff

STAFF PRESENT

Police Chief Josh Antoine, Public Works Director Terry Randall, Administrator Daniel Buchholtz.

VISITORS - None

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA - None

5. DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR - None

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes – May 2, 2022 City Council Meeting
- B. Resolution 22-23, Repealing Resolution 22-12 and Authorizing 2021 Year-End Fund Transfers and Budget Adjustments
- C. Approval of Claims – April 2022 General Disbursements - \$279,930.29
- D. Contractor's License
- E. Temporary On-Sale Liquor License – Tower Days
- F. Temporary On-Sale Liquor License – Beyond The Yellow Ribbon

Motion made by Councilmember Wendling to approve Consent Agenda.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

7. PRESENTATION

A. Board of Equalization Meeting

Assessor Tolzmann provided a report on the 2022 Assessment for Taxes Payable 2023 and an overview of the assessment process.

Mr. Tolzmann reported that there were 94 qualified residential sales within the City during the sales period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, and after value adjustments made accordingly by zone, the result was an assessment that qualifies as "excellent" in the eyes of the Minnesota Department of Revenue with a median sales ratio of 94.28. He stated that there were three qualified commercial/industrial sales reflecting a sales ratio of 93.8 as well as two qualified apartment sales reflecting a median ratio of 95.4.

Mr. Tolzmann reported that last year's assessment, the City saw a total market value of \$683,276,300 and with the new sales information gathered this past year, the total market value of the City rose by 21.5% to \$830,826,200 for the 2022 assessment. He noted that included in this new overall market value is \$6,231,400 in new construction.

Mr. Tolzmann reported that market values increased by 23.87% in the City last year.

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Police Report

Chief Antoine reported that the Police Department responded to 642 calls for service in April 2022 compared to 562 calls for service for the month of April 2021. He said that School Resource Officer Imig reported handling 10 calls for service in April, as well as handling 23 student contacts, 39 student escorts, and 7 follow-up investigations.

Chief Antoine said Investigator Bennek handled 26 cases for the month of April, 23 of which were felony in nature, 2 gross misdemeanors and 1 misdemeanor. He said Investigator Bennek coordinated the catalytic converter event to take place May 16, 2022.

Chief Antoine stated that he hosted a question and answer meeting with the residents of Hayes and Garfield Streets. He also did a welcome and question and answer session with the attendees at the Safe driver's class hosted by the Parks and Recreation Department.

B. Recreation Report

Administrator Buchholtz stated that the full report was included in the packet. He highlighted a few programs happening. He said that the Able Park basketball court reconstruction was underway.

He noted that at Tower Days, there will be a fun run right before the parade. He said the second change is there will be events on Saturday at Lakeside Lions Park. He said the final change is that the fireworks will move from Sunday to Saturday night.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

10. ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution 22-24, Adopting the Public Works Mutual Aid Pact

Chief Antoine noted that the Public Works Mutual Aid Pact goes hand in hand with the Fencing Consortium Joint Powers Agreement, Resolution 22-25. He stated that it is a requirement to join the Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement in order to accept and join the Fencing Consortium JPA.

Motion made by Councilmember Delfs Approving Resolution 22-24, Adopting the Public Works Mutual Aid Pact.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

B. Resolution 22-25, Adopting the Fencing Consortium Joint Powers Agreement

Chief Antoine reminded the Council about the topic of civil unrest and fencing options for the City of Spring Lake Park that was held at the March 2022 workshop. He noted the three options that were available to the City, and they are as follows:

Option 1: Rent j-barriers and fencing from Warning Lites/ Hansen Brothers Fencing. Warning Lites for one year the j-barriers and fencing would cost \$28,620 for one set. Two sets would be \$57,240. The j-barrier/fencing would take time to set up and it cannot be guaranteed that it would be available.

Option 2: Purchase j-barriers and fencing on our own. The cost would be \$43,300 for the barriers alone. The cost for just the fencing panel, without the fencing, is about \$450 a panel. Some issues with this plan would be storage space and the Public Works Department being responsible for setting up the system themselves. Two sets of j-barriers would cost \$86,600, and for fencing panels it would cost at 90,000.

Option 3: Join the fencing consortium. The consortium would be made up of cities and agencies from the seven-county metro area. The consortium would have a governing board and would have the responsibility to go out and contract with a company to have anti-scale fencing on hand in the metro area for quick deployment. There would be an annual fee to join consortium which would hold approximately 4,100 linear feet of fencing in the metro area for use by the consortium. The cost of Spring Lake Park's annual fee would be \$4,447 for the use of approximately 1,100 linear feet. This would give the City of Spring Lake Park

access to the fencing in the event of civil unrest. If we had to use the fencing there would be a rental fee for the fencing per month of approximately \$20 a linear foot. As part of the consortium one public works employee would be trained to set the fencing up.

Chief Antoine said he is recommending that the City join the Fencing Consortium.

Motion made by Councilmember Delfs Approving Resolution 22-25, Adopting the Fencing Consortium Joint Powers Agreement.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

C. Resolution 22-26, Adopting Assessment for 8411 6th St. NE Pursuant to Assessment Agreement

Administrator Buchholtz reminded the Council about the resident at 8411 6th Street NE who petitioned the City to fix the damaged water sewer line. He informed the Council that all the bills have been received for the repairs and the charge is \$5,188.89. Buchholtz said that the cost will be certified to their taxes at 3.6% interest over a 3-year period. The payment will show up on the taxes payable in 2023, 2024 and 2025.

Motion made by Councilmember Goodboe-Bisshoff Approving Resolution 22-26 Adopting Assessment for 8411 6th Street NE Pursuant to Assessment Agreement.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Animal Control Contract with Humane Society of Minnesota

Chief Antoine informed the Council that Dover Kennels/Animal Control and Impound Services will be closing on June 1, 2022, and will no longer be providing services to the City. He said that the Humane Society of Minnesota are willing to provide the City of Spring Lake Park with animal control services.

He noted that the Police Department would be responsible for transporting the animals. The cost to impound an animal would be \$24.00. If the animal is not claimed he said that the city would be charged \$208.00. The price for an animal that has to be quarantined would be \$416.00 if the animal is not claimed.

The services would be for dogs only.

Motion made by Councilmember Dircks to Approve the Animal Control Contract with Humane Society of Minnesota.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

12. REPORTS

A. Attorney Report – No Report

B. Engineer Report

Engineer Report is in the packet. Public Works Director Randall highlighted that 99.99% of the concrete has been poured for the City Hall and Triangle Park sidewalks. The road at Garfield and Hayes will be milled starting May 18, 2022.

C. Administrator Report

Administrator Buchholtz noted that he was invited to the Senior Health & Safety Wellness Fair to give a welcome speech. He reminded the Council that the North Metro Mayors meeting on Wednesday, May 18 has moved from Maple Grove to New Hope.

13. OTHER

A. Correspondence

14. ADJOURN

Motion made by Councilmember Wendling to adjourn.

Voting Aye: Councilmember Wendling, Councilmember Delfs, Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff, Councilmember Dircks, Mayor Nelson. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Robert Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer