

WORKSESSION MINUTES

November 26, 2002

Council Present: *S. Cherney, C. Crichton, E. Kautz, and L. Workman*
Council Absent: *D. Moran*
Staff Present: *C. Ebeling, S. Olstad, G. Konat, S. Olesen, S. O'Malley, M. Rasmussen, J. Tovar, K. Strey*
Others Present: *J. Gessner, T. Daly, F. Blundette, K. Manley*

ITEM 1. SKETCH PLAN REVIEW – BLICK ESTATE LAND IN NE BURNSVILLE

C. Ebeling gave background on the Blick Estate land and information on the new development proposal by Manley Brothers.

Frank Blundette presented an overview of the Manley Brothers two proposals. One proposal includes a frontage road which would involve Mn/DOT. There was discussion of Mn/DOT buying into the frontage road and moving traffic flow to the frontage road instead of Chandler Court. Blundette asked for the City's assistance in facilitating approval of the frontage road with Mn/DOT. The Council was supportive of the project and will contact the state.

ITEM 2. – PROPOSED 2003 BUDGET DISCUSSION

G. Konat introduced the item and gave an overview of the Proposed 2003 Budget:

- Levy increase consistent with Council Policy on Property Taxes
- 2003 Budget and CIP Overview
- 2003 Budget accomplishments
- Tax levy history

S. O'Malley presented the following details:

- 2003 City tax levy - \$20,727M
- 2003 budgeted expenditures
- Debt analysis
- Estimated effect on the average Burnsville home
- Projected business tax changes
- Example Burnsville business
- Policies & priorities governing CIP

M. Rasmussen reviewed the CIP:

- How the CIP is prepared
- Major changes in CIP for 2003
- Key policy issues-appropriations, timing, funding

There was discussion of Wells 17, 18 & 19 that are in the CIP. Council requested that further discussion of the wells be scheduled at a Worksession early in 2003. Council also talked about the extension of Cliff Rd. to CSAH 5. M. Rasmussen reviewed the decision points for the approval of that project.

G. Konat reviewed the EDA levy and the EDA levy recommendation.

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S. O'Malley went over the user fees:

- Five categories
 - Market comparison
 - Maximum set by external source
 - Entrepreneurial approach
 - Recover the cost of service
 - Utility fees set by annual rate study and system needs

Council discussed Park Dedication fees and funding for Parks. When reviewing the utility rate study, Council requested that staff look at higher interest bonds to see if it would be appropriate to recall and issue at a lower interest rate.

S. O'Malley reviewed the PEG Budget (cable franchise fees).

Konat asked if there were any policy or priority changes needed.

Council directed staff to bring back information on the Enterprise Funds. Review of the Enterprise Funds will be concluded at the All-day Worksession.

Council was supportive of the Proposed 2003 Budget.

Council requested an update on the status of the Office of the State Auditor's compliance letter.

ITEM 3. MISCELLANEOUS

Councilmember Crichton reported that the Met Council's Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) had reached a decision on the awards of funding to Cities transportation projects. He said that Burnsville will receive funds for the parking ramp in the Hwy. 13 area, but not for a pedestrian overpass on Hwy. 13.

Councilmember Cherney mentioned that he has written a letter of support to Mayor R. T. Rybak for Mike Moore regarding his redevelopment of his liquor store in the City of Minneapolis.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Olesen, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council of the City of Burnsville this 2nd day of December 2002.

Elizabeth B. Kautz, Mayor