

WORKSESSION MINUTES

April 12, 2005

Council Present: *C. Crichton, T. Daly, D. Gustafson, E. Kautz, and L. Workman*
Council Absent: *None*
Staff Present: *C. Ebeling, K. Keel, T. Hansen, J. Faulkner, S. Olesen, T. Omdal, B. Leach, M. Rasmussen*
Others Present: *J. Gessner, M. Brokl, R. Nau, URS; and M. Whalen, EFH Co.*

ITEM 1. MEET WITH NEW MET COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

The new Met Council representative Dan Wolter was introduced to the Council and staff.

Wolter said he started 1 ½ months ago and is serving on the Transportation Committee.

The following items were discussed:

- Met Council overseeing regional water system
- Elected Met Council
 - Walter favors local control
 - Possible 2006 Council legislative issue
- Role of Met Council
- Met Council involvement in EKS/Savage Water Treatment Plant
- Met Council 20/30 Plan and Met Council Growth Management Plan
- Lakeville growth-possible inclusion in Met Council district
- Cedar Ave. BRT

Mayor Kautz reported that the MVTA is trying to bring Lakeville and Farmington into the transit system as part of the taxing district. Council was supportive of meeting twice a year with Met Council Representative Wolter.

ITEM 2. I-35W BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT)

M. Rasmussen, Director of Engineering and Infrastructure introduced Rick Nau, URS. Karl Keel who will be Acting City Engineer when Mitch Rasmussen leaves was also introduced.

R. Nau presented an overview of the 35W BRT Study:

- Is it feasible?
- What should it look like?
- How much will it cost?
- Comparison of 2000 and 2020 PM peak hour travel time from downtown Minneapolis
- Existing transit services in the corridor
- Guiding principles
- Proposed service plan
- Implementation strategy
- Challenges
- Benefits

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ITEM 2. I-35W BUS RAPID TRANSIT (BRT) (Continued from Page 1)

The following items were discussed:

- BRT lane could not be converted to light rail
- Shared BRT/HOV lane
- 16-25 minute Minneapolis round trip travel savings for transit ride
- Legislature review of feasibility study and funding most likely in 2006
- Cost estimate for on-line stations \$15M

ITEM 3. DISCUSSION OF EFH VACANT PROPERTY (E. OF ASSET MARKETING)

J. Faulkner introduced the item. M. Whalen, EFH Co., presented a sketch plan for the vacant Asset Marketing property on the north side of County Road 42 and west of Judicial Road. He said a bank would occupy 3500 Sq. ft. of the building. Midwest Volleyball warehouse space will be in the back of the building.

The Council was supportive of EFH proceeding with the PUD application for the site.

ITEM 4. ROUNDTABLE

Discussion of Motorized Vehicle Ordinance

Councilmember Workman asked that this ordinance that prohibits motorized scooters be discussed on Roundtable. Captain Leach reviewed the ordinance and talked about why the motorized scooters/vehicles are prohibited. M. Brokl advised the Council on what other communities are doing. Some allow motorized scooters on sidewalks without a license. He said there does need to be regulation. Council discussed the difference between electric bikes that go 17-18 mph and motorized scooters that go 3.5-4 mph.

Councilmember Workman expressed concern that a toy was prohibited by this ordinance. Council consensus was to amend the ordinance to exclude motorized toys for children allowing them on sidewalks and trails.

Reports on Advisory Boards & External Organizations

Mayor Kautz reports:

- MVTA
 - Dealing with transit funding and issues between Apple Valley and Lakeville/Farmington
 - MVTA supports Apple Valley permitting
 - Permitting and enforcement discussion
 - Impacts of permitting on HOC was also discussed
 - Legislative bill on transit tax
 - Council not supportive of permitting at the Burnsville transit station
- Municipal Legislative Commission
 - Monitoring the following legislative priorities:
 - Eminent Domain
 - Turbo Tax
 - Levy Limits

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ITEM 4. ROUNDTABLE (Continued from Page 2)

- Burnsville Foundation
 - Reconsidering Mission
 - Negative net asset position
 - Full capacity membership (15)
 - Focusing on funding
- Planning Commission
 - Mayor met with Planning Commission Chair. They discussed the two things the commission can do:
 - Make recommendations on technical aspects
 - Recommend that the Council consider other items

Councilmember Gustafson suggested that Council schedule a meeting to assess the function and role of advisory boards.

Councilmember Crichton reports:

- Attending the next LACA meeting
 - Will mention BASA issue and report back to Council
- Fire Muster Board plans are moving forward

Councilmember Daly reports:

- Councilmember Crichton will attend his last TAB meeting in April and then she will assume her role
- Liaison to the Burnsville Medical Alliance

Councilmember Gustafson reports:

- Attending the I-35W Solutions meeting next week

Councilmember Workman reports:

- CVB will hold the Canvass & Vines event at the Grande Market Place this October
- Economic Growth Committee
 - BRT presentation
 - Updated on HOC
 - Additional retail space at CUB is filled
 - Discussed Menard's project and benefits
 - Chamber is reviewing policies and will bring them to the EGC

HiPP Update

PSAP Committee

- Working toward becoming a Joint Powers Agency
- Consolidated dispatch (County)
 - Costs are on issue
- Technical Work Group
 - Visit to Red River Regional Dispatch Center
 - Better service now

Public Safety Equipment Sharing

- Mutual aid some equipment sharing in place
- Additional equipment will be cost shared

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HiPP Update (Continued from Page 3)

Insurance and Other HR Initiatives

- Looking at insurance options
- Wellness costs

IT Initiative

- Struggling the most
- Opportunities available but leadership needed

Law Enforcement Service Center

- 65,000 sq. ft. facility
- Cost estimates to HiPP at the end of the month
- County looking at grant opportunities

Joint Prosecution Committee

- Not likely to happen
- Good things are coming from the meetings

Committee/Commission Appointments

Council discussed the policy regarding guidelines to committee/commission appointments to determine if members appointed to fill a mid-term should have the opportunity to serve three 3-year terms in addition to the partial term.

Council was supportive of amending the policy to state that members appointed mid-term may be eligible to serve three 3-year terms.

Council was supportive of reappointing Jessica Allison as a youth member of the Parks & Natural Resources Commission.

Committee/Commission interviews will be scheduled on Tuesday, May 31st and Wednesday, June 1st.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan P. Olesen, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council of the City of Burnsville this 18th day of April 2005.

Elizabeth B. Kautz, Mayor