

**CITY OF BURNSVILLE
WORKSESSION MINUTES
MARCH 14, 2006**

Council Present: *C. Crichton, T. Daly, D. Gustafson, E. Kautz, and L. Workman*
Council Absent: *None*
Staff Present: *C. Ebeling, T. Omdal, V. Green, J. Faulkner, M. Brokl, T. Hansen,, G. Harker,
J. Sedlacek,*
Others Present: *D. Van Helden, L. Nachman, M. Wentzell, J. Gessner, L. Goldsmith,
Margo Swanson, Phil Carlson, Dan Mehls*

ITEM 1. PARKING STUDY

Jenni Faulkner, Community Development Director, gave a brief presentation on the Parking Study. Phil Carlson, Dahlgren Shardlow and Uban (DSU) was available to answer questions after the presentation. Information presented included:

- Work to date
- DSU conclusions and recommendations
- Planning Commission recommendations
- Next Steps/Discussion

The Council supported the recommendations and directed staff to proceed with preparation of an ordinance amendment.

ITEM 2. OVERNIGHT PARKING ORDINANCE

Tom Hansen, Deputy City Manager, reviewed the current overnight parking ordinance and proposed changes to allow overnight parking between 2:00 am to 6:00 am for up to a maximum of 24 hours except during winter months. The following items were discussed:

- Stricter enforcement of the current ordinance
- Public safety issues
- 24 hour business establishments that rely on street parking
- City comparisons on a restricted parking ordinance

The Council's consensus was to keep the ordinance as currently written and allow special consideration to 24 hour businesses that rely on street parking. The Council directed Matt Brokl and Jenni Faulkner, along with the Burnsville Police Department to provide recommendations on how to handle special considerations; especially the situation on 126th Street in the Heart of the City.

ITEM 3. INTERIM ORDINANCE - SPECIAL EVENTS/APARTMENT LEASING

Matt Brokl, City Attorney and Jenni Faulkner, Community Development Director, reviewed the interim ordinances for Leasing Banners and Special Event signs.

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ITEM 3. INTERIM ORDINANCE (continued)

Discussion following on the interim ordinance temporarily permitting the placement of leasing banners on multi-family rental properties:

- Weathering effect on banners
- Current occupancy rates
- Incentive for properties to engage in the STAR program

Council directed staff to draft a permanent ordinance restricting the issuance of banner permits to only properties enrolled in the Star Program. Matt Brokl and Jenni Faulkner will draft ordinance and submit to Council for approval.

On the interim ordinance concerning signs, including inflatable devices, the Council's consensus was to readopt the interim ordinance for another year.

ITEM 4. DISCUSSION ON COMMUNITY VISIONING PROCESS

Staff is seeking direction from the Council on what type of community visioning process the Council wants to undertake. At the January 10, 2006 Council Worksession, Council requested specific information on the status of the Partnerships for Tomorrow goals. Tom Hansen, Deputy City Manager, presented a report on this information to the Council. The Council's discussion focused on the following questions:

- How expansive should the community visioning process be?
 - not meant to be all inclusive but stakeholders should be included in the process and there should be a process for volunteers to be included.
- Does the Council want this to be a Council driven process?
 - yes
- Does the Council want this to be organized around existing themes?
 - stay with the current themes with the consideration of adding additional themes and have a subcommittee for each theme with appointed as well as self selected members
- What role would the Council want to have in the process?
 - Council wants to have full involvement with the community visioning process
- Would the Council be interested in the use of an outside consultant for this process?
 - Council may consider bringing in a consultant to facilitate this large scale process especially in the initial aspects of it.
- What does the Council envision the final work product of this process?
 - Success measures (outcomes)
- What would the Council want to call this community visioning process?
 - To be considered

Council directed staff to take what they have heard from tonight's discussion, articulate it and bring it back to the Council to verify that the approach is what the Council intends.

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ITEM 5. PAC UPDATE

Gary Harker, Recreation & Facilities Director, reported on the PAC User Group Meeting. Mark Wentzell, Ankenny Kell Architects, and Dan Mehls, M.A. Mortensen, showed a PowerPoint Presentation itemizing building cost options on good, better and best models.

A Special Council Meeting was held at 8:26 p.m. to consider the Performing Arts Center Business Plan Consultant Contract. The Worksession reconvened at 8:34 p.m.

Mini-tour is scheduled for March 24, 2006 at 1:00 p.m.

Upcoming Timelines

- March 28 – funding financial options
- April 11 – conceptual drawings
- May – business plan report
- June – decision on PAC

ITEM 6. ROUNDTABLE**➤ Ambulance Rides**

Mayor Kautz expressed her extreme discomfort during the ambulance ride to Hennepin County Medical Center after her recent accident. Tom Hansen reported that none of our ambulances are more than 4 years old and are state of the art and stated that the Mayor's injury was a particularly painful one and the fact that she was transported on a back board would have made the ride much more uncomfortable.

➤ Rules Relating to Discussion at the Governance Meetings

Council Member Gustafson sought clarification on what are appropriate question during the testimony portions of the Governance process. There was consensus that it is Council's policy during testimony to not ask questions or give opinions but to gather all information before opening for discussion.

➤ Possible Date for Special Council Work Session Regarding the Emergency Operations Plan

Meeting tentatively set for Friday, May 19, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to be held at the Burnsville City Hall. Tom Hansen will try to arrange with the external participants.

➤ Reports on Advisory Boards & External Organizations**Councilmember Workman:**

- ECG
 - Meeting went well with a good presentation by the U of M.

Councilmember Gustafson:

- I-35W Solution Alliance
 - Work on the Crosstown may be put on hold depending on what happens with MnDOT request to borrow money from TAB.

Councilmember Daly:

- TAB meets tomorrow. They will consider the MnDOT Request.

Councilmember Crichton:

- Will be going to the next LACA meeting.

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Mayor Kautz:

- MN Valley Transit Authority
 - MVTA role on Cedar Avenue Corridor transit stations being discussed.
- Suburban Transit Authority
 - Transit taxing district question is being discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Green, Recording Secretary

Approved by the City Council of the City of Burnsville this 20th day of March 2006.

Elizabeth B. Kautz, Mayor