

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Spring Lake Park City Council Regular was held on October 18, 2021 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 Bob Nelson

Councilmember Ken Wendling

Councilmember Brad Delfs

Councilmember Barbara Goodboe-Bisschoff

Councilmember Lisa Dircks

STAFF PRESENT:

Building Official Jeff Baker, Police Chief Josh Antoine, Public Works Director Terry Randall, Recreation Director Kay Okey, City Attorney John Thames, Administrator Daniel Buchholtz

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

Administrator Buchholtz requested that the SCORE Recycling Supplemental Grant Agreement be added as Item 9E. He requested that Approval of Change in Recycling Day be added as item 9F.

5. PRESENTATION

A. Oath of Office to Police Patrol Sergeant Richard Kramer

Administrator Buchholtz administered the oath of office to Sergeant Richard Kramer.

6. DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR -- None

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes - October 4, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of Minutes - October 11, 2021 Council Work Session
- C. Approval of Claims - September 2021 General Disbursements - \$265,172.40
- D. Contractor's Request for Payment No. 4/Final - 525 Osborne Rd Utility Project
- E. Contractor's Request for Payment No. 3/Final - 2021 Seal Coat Project
- F. Accept Letter of Resignation from Officer Corbin Peterson
- G. Contractor Licenses

Motion made by Councilmember Wendling to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

8. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Police Report

Chief Antoine reported there were 730 calls for service in September, which was an increase from September 2020. He noted that the increase in calls is due in part to the way Anoka County Dispatch counts mental health calls. He reported that Sergeant Kramer has trained Officer Imig for the role of School Resource Officer. He said that he has been busy coordinating the hiring process for two new officers. He also noted that he attended an Anoka County Chiefs Meeting and attended a meeting of the House Capital Investment Committee about Highway 65 improvements in Spring Lake Park and Blaine.

B. Recreation Report

Director Okey reported that the annual Turkey Shoot will be held on November 16. She stated that the Youth Coed Recreation Basketball Clinic will be held on November 13 and November 20.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of 2022 Agreement for Residential Recycling Program

Administrator Buchholtz presented the 2022 Residential Recycling Agreement with Anoka County. He stated that the City is eligible for \$60,272 in grant funding from Anoka County for eligible expenses including our base funding allocation, drop off recycling grant, general enhancement grant, an organics program grant, and funding for improvements to the City's permanent recycling drop off center. He recommended approval of the agreement.

Motion made by Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff to approve the 2022 Agreement for Residential Recycling Program with Anoka County.

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

B. Extend Conditional Job Offer to Police Officer Candidates

Chief Antoine stated that he has successfully completed the officer hiring process. He presented Charlie Bloomer and Sam Klimmek as the successful candidates for the position of patrol officer. He requested City Council approval to extend conditional job offer to Mr.

Bloomer and Mr. Klimmek, pending passing a psychological, medical, drug exam and final background investigation. He stated that he anticipated both officers to start on or before November 7, 2021.

Motion made by Mayor Nelson to extend a conditional job offer to Charlie Bloomer and Sam Klimmek, pending passing psychological, medical, and drug exams and successful completion of the background investigation.

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

C. Authorize Purchase of New Police Squad Vehicle

Chief Antoine requested authority to purchase a 2022 Dodge Durango Pursuit AWD SUV to serve as the next police squad vehicle. He stated that the needs of law enforcement have changed, resulting in the Dodge Charger no longer having enough room to store equipment such as oxygen bags, defibrillators, riot gear, specialized body armor and ballistic shields. He stated that the price of the 2022 Dodge Durango AWD SUV package was \$31,249, compared to a purchase price of \$29,697 for a 2022 Dodge Charger. He stated that the total build cost for the new squad would be \$42,500.

Mayor Nelson expressed his strong support for transitioning to the Dodge Durango SUV. He inquired about the anticipated resale value of the Durango. Chief Antoine expressed his belief that the resale value on the Dodge Durango SUV would be comparable to the resale value of the Dodge Charger.

Motion made by Councilmember Wendling to authorize the purchase of a 2022 Dodge Durango AWD SUV package with squad build not to exceed \$42,500.

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

D. Approval of Joint Powers Agreement with Anoka County to Allocate Costs for Election Expenses

Administrator Buchholtz presented the Joint Powers Agreement with Anoka County to allocate costs for election expenses. He stated that this has been a great partnership that has resulted in reduced costs, improved equipment and streamlined operations. He noted that the new agreement would make the City responsible for some of the postage costs associated with Absentee Balloting. He stated that this change would only have an estimated fiscal impact of \$500. He recommended approval of the Joint Powers Agreement.

Motion made by Councilmember Dircks to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between Anoka County and the Municipalities, Townships and School Districts in Anoka County to Allocate Costs for Election Expenses.

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

E. Approval of 2021 Supplemental Municipal SCORE Grant Agreement

Administrator Buchholtz stated that the City was awarded an additional SCORE grant of \$9,860 to purchase a 7 foot by 12 foot enclosed trailer to store appliances, mattresses and electronics associated with the City's drop-off recycling events and to purchase a license plate reader camera to monitor the recycling drop off center to prevent illegal dumping of items once City Hall closes at 4:30pm. He recommended approval of the grant agreement.

Mayor Nelson expressed his dismay at the illegal dumping. He inquired about enforcement action if the City discovers the perpetrator of illegal dumping. Attorney Thames stated that the City would prosecute it as a misdemeanor offense under its nuisance ordinances.

Motion made by Councilmember Delfs to approve the 2021 Supplemental Municipal SCORE Grant Agreement with Anoka County.

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

F. Approval to Move Recycling Day to Wednesday in 2022

Administrator Buchholtz stated that Walters Recycling and Refuse would like to change the recycling day from Thursday to Wednesday to correspond with the day the company picks up garbage in Spring Lake Park. He stated that the City will still be split into two zones with zone collected on alternating Wednesday. He stated that Walters will send out a mailing toward the end of November detailing to residents the new collection day and the cart roll out plan. He stated that the City would also send out a postcard to residents informing them of the recycling day switch. He recommended approval of the change.

Motion made by Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff to move the recycling day to Wednesdays beginning in 2022.

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

10. REPORTS

B. Attorney Report – No report

B. Engineer Report – Written report included packet

C. Administrator Report

Administrator Buchholtz requested a work session on November 1 at 5:30pm for a presentation by Baker Tilly on the Classification and Compensation Study. He stated that he attended a Fridley/Spring Lake Park Business Council Meeting, organized by the North Metro Chamber, on October 14, 2021. He commended Chief Antoine on a successful officer hiring process.

11. OTHERA. Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Report

Mayor Nelson reported that the 4th Quarter Beyond the Yellow Ribbon meeting is on October 21, 2021 at 5:00pm at Kraus Hartig VFW.

B. Correspondence**12. ADJOURN**

Motion made by Councilmember Wendling to adjourn.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Robert Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer