

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Spring Lake Park City Council Worksession was held on April 12, 2021 at the 1301 81st Avenue NE, Spring Lake Park, at 5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nelson called the City Council work session to order at 5:30pm.

Present: Councilmembers Wendling, Delfs, Goodboe-Bisschoff, Dircks, Mayor Nelson

Absent: None

Staff Present: Police Chief Ebeltoft, Recreation Director Okey, Building Official Baker, Administrator Buchholtz

Others Present: Representatives from Hy-Vee, Representatives from Twin North Chamber of Commerce, Representatives of MetroNorth Chamber of Commerce

2. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Hy-Vee Store Tour

City Council convened at the new Hy-Vee store, 8155 Highway 65 NE.

City Council received a behind the scenes tour of the new Hy-Vee store by Store Manager Gerad Curry.

After the tour, Mayor Nelson recessed the meeting at 5:55pm to allow members to return to City Hall to conduct the remainder of the meeting.

B. Rental Housing Ordinance/Policy Discussion (City Council will return to City Hall after Hy-Vee tour to discuss this item)

Mayor Nelson reconvened the meeting at 6:05pm.

Administrator Buchholtz and Building Official Baker presented the proposed Rental Housing Ordinance and Housing Maintenance Inspection Policy. The City Council expressed its satisfaction with the proposed documents. Councilmember Dircks requested that the draft ordinance be reviewed by the City Attorney to ensure that the City is accepting additional liability, particularly with the addition of a tenant background check requirement.

Councilmember Delfs inquired when the rental housing moratorium would end. Administrator Buchholtz stated that the moratorium would end with the adoption of the proposed ordinance. He stated that he would add language to the ordinance specifically repealing the ordinance establishing the moratorium.

CONSENSUS OF THE CITY COUNCIL is to direct the Administrator to send the draft ordinance and policy to the City Attorney for review and schedule the item for possible adoption at the May 3, 2021 City Council meeting.

A. Administrator Report

Administrator Buchholtz provided an update on the Police Chief selection process.

Chief Ebeltoft provided the City Council with perspective on the officer-involved shooting in Brooklyn Center on April 11, 2021 as it relates to training to help an officer differentiate between a Taser and their firearm.

Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff informed the City Council of a complaint she received from a resident on Lakeview Lane about youth disturbing the wildlife along the shoreline of Spring Lake that is now accessible by a woodchip trail. She requested a fence and signage be installed. CONSENSUS OF THE COUNCIL was to authorize staff to order and install signage at the point directing individuals to not disturb the wildlife.

4. ADJOURN

Mayor Nelson adjourned the work session meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Robert Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer