

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF FRIDLEY
FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

The City Council meeting for the City of Fridley was called to order by Mayor Lund at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Lund
Councilmember Barnette
Councilmember Saefke
Councilmember Varichak
Councilmember Bolkcom

OTHERS PRESENT: Wally Wysopal, City Manager
Darcy Erickson, City Attorney
James Kosluchar, Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

City Council Meeting of February 8, 2016

APPROVED.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Second Reading of an Ordinance of the City of Fridley, Minnesota, Amending City Ordinance Nos. 1095 and 1315, the Prevailing Hours of Labor and Prevailing Wage Rate on Certain Projects for or with the City.**

WAIVED THE READING OF THE ORDINANCE AND ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 1328 ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLICATION.

2. **Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6 of the Fridley City Charter Entitled "Administration of City Affairs".**

WAIVED THE READING OF THE ORDINANCE AND ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 1329 ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLICATION.

3. **Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 205. Zoning; Section 205.03 Definitions; Section 205.04 General Provisions; Section 205.05 Administration and Enforcement; and Section 205.06 Establishment of Districts of the Fridley City Code (Text Amendment, TA #15-04); and,**

Adopt Official Title and Summary Ordinance.

THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND PLACED ON THE REGULAR AGENDA.

- 4. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 11 of the Fridley City Code Pertaining to General Provisions and Fees.**

WAIVED THE READING OF THE ORDINANCE AND ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 1331 ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLICATION.

- 5. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6.06, Appeals Commission, of the Fridley City Code, Pertaining to Variance and Appeal Procedures (Text Amendment, TA #16-01); and**

Adopt Official Title and Summary Ordinance.

WAIVED THE READING OF THE ORDINANCE AND ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 1332 ON SECOND READING AND ORDERED PUBLICATION.

ADOPTED OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY ORDINANCE NO. 1332-S.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 6. Receive Bids and Award Well Redevelopment Project No. 16-448.**

APPROVED.

- 7. Claims (171518 – 171665)**

APPROVED.

- 8. License.**

Wally Wysopal, City Manager, stated this is a temporary on-sale liquor license for the Fridley Lions Club for '49er Days.

APPROVED THE LICENSE AS SUBMITTED AND AS ON FILE.

- 9. Estimate.**

Keys Well Drilling, Inc.
 1156 Homer Street
 St. Paul, MN 55116-3232
 2015 Well Rehabilitation
 Project No. 448
 FINAL ESTIMATE.....\$ 9,573.40

APPROVED.

ADOPTION OF PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Barnette asked that Item No. 3 be removed.

MOTION by Councilmember Barnette to approve the proposed consent agenda with the removal of Item No. 3. Seconded by Councilmember Varichak.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OPEN FORUM, VISITORS:

No one from the audience spoke.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

MOTION by Councilmember Bolkcom to approve the agenda with the addition of Item No. 3. Seconded by Councilmember Saefke.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 3. Second Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 205. Zoning; Section 205.03 Definitions; Section 205.04 General Provisions; Section 205.05 Administration and Enforcement; and Section 205.06 Establishment of Districts of the Fridley City Code (Text Amendment, TA #15-04); and**

Adopt Official Title and Summary Ordinance

Councilmember Barnette referred to page 38 of the agenda book. She said the last sentence in Section E reads: "Any landscaping or irrigation systems installed in an easement must be removed and replaced at the property owner's expense when the trail or sidewalk is installed in the future." The City has a project going on as part of the Safe Routes to School program where this is going to occur. He does not think the homeowners realize that this is their responsibility.

James Kosluchar, Director of Public Works, replied the easements that were identified in this amendment to the Zoning Code are specific easements outside the general right-of-way designated areas for purposes of trails or walks. In addition, after their discussions with the property owners along that project route, the City advised that they would relocate irrigation systems that were interfering with the project. Staff did not feel the homeowners would be impacted.

Councilmember Barnette stated he did not think so either, but this provision in the ordinance is pretty clear that it is the responsibility of the homeowner.

Mr. Kosluchar replied he believes this applies specifically to dedicated easements that are outside the right-of-way for trails and walks. They have those easements at locations, for instance, along Main Street. There are piecemeal easements along that stretch of route. Typically these are along commercial properties.

Councilmember Barnette stated as long as the homeowner understands he will not have to pay for the replacement, because that can be pretty expensive.

MOTION by Councilmember Barnette to waive the reading of the ordinance and adopt Ordinance No. 1330 on second reading and order publication and adopt Ordinance No. 1330-S. Seconded by Councilmember Saefke.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. Informal Status Reports:

Mr. Wysopal stated the City is a partner with Center for Energy and Environment and has several programs to offer people considering housing improvements or any emergency repairs or for those people who own an apartment or live in a manufactured home.

Mr. Wysopal stated the first program is the City's low interest loan for homeowners at a 4.5 percent fixed rate for a loan amount up to \$50,000. There are no income limits. The terms are up to 20 years, and it is for single-family homes.

Mr. Wysopal stated there is an Emergency Deferred Loan Program for those people who find themselves in a situation where they cannot afford a needed furnace repair or roof replacement. There is a \$10,000 maximum loan amount. The deferred loan is 100 percent due in 20 years or sooner if the ownership of the property changes. It can be used for eligible improvements determined through a required analysis, so a review does need to take place.

Mr. Wysopal said the City also has a multi-family exterior loan program of 4.5 percent with a \$50,000 maximum amount. This is for two to four-unit properties, and the improvements include corrections to code violations, exterior structure improvements and aesthetics.

Mr. Wysopal stated, finally, the City offers a manufactured home improvement loan at 4.5 percent, with a \$10,000 maximum loan. There are no income limits and most interior and exterior improvements are eligible.

Mr. Wysopal said all of the programs are eligible through the Center for Energy and Environment which the City's HRA is a supportive member of. If you have questions you can contact Brenda Yartz, the senior loan officer. The information can be found on the City's website.

Councilmember Bolkcom stated they received a letter related to the Coon Creek Watershed District appointments which must be received by March 28.

Mayor Lund stated the law requires they notify the City. Anyone who has an interest and who lives in the Coon Creek Watershed District can contact City Hall.

ADJOURN:

MOTION by Councilmember Barnette to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Varichak.

UPON A VOICE VOTE, ALL VOTING AYE, MAYOR LUND DECLARED THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Denise M. Johnson
Recording Secretary

Scott J. Lund
Mayor