

MINUTES
REGULAR ST. MICHAEL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 26, 2016

St. Michael City Center

7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jerry Zachman; Council Members Cody Gulick, Joe Marx, Nadine Schoen and Chris Schumm; Community Development Director Marc Weigle; City Administrator/Engineer Steve Bot; City Attorney David Lenhardt; and City Clerk Diana Berning. Mayor Zachman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. declaring a quorum present. The pledge of allegiance was said and the Mayor welcomed those in the audience.

Set Agenda. An update on the old soccer goals was added to the City Administrator Report. Council Members Marx/Schumm **moved** to approve the agenda as amended. All voted aye.

Citizen Input. No one asked to be recognized under Citizen Input.

Consent Agenda. Council Members Schumm/Gulick **moved** to approve the Consent Agenda Items a) through i), as listed below. All voted aye.

- a) Resolution #01-26-16-01 Approving Minutes of the January 6th Joint Meeting and January 12th City Council Meeting
- b) Resolution #01-26-16-02 Setting the Annual Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting
- c) Resolution #01-26-16-03 Setting a Joint Meeting with STMA School Board and Albertville City Council on February 29th
- d) Resolution #01-26-16-04 Approving Morgendal Security Reduction
- e) Resolution #01-26-16-05 Approving Amendments to the Health Care Savings Plan
- f) Resolution #01-26-16-06 Approving Agreement for Animal Control Services
- g) Resolution #01-26-16-07 Accepting Donations to the Fire Department
- h) Resolution #01-26-16-08 Accepting Park Donations
- i) Resolution #01-26-16-09 Approving the LaBeaux-O'Donnell Wetland Permit Application

EDA Appointments.

The Council was provided with a ballot for the EDA applicants. The votes were tallied, with Nick Shultz receiving the most votes. Council Members Schumm/Schoen **moved** to appoint Nick Shultz to the six-year seat on the EDA. All voted aye.

Community Development Report.

EDA Report/Project Updates. The Council was provided with the draft minutes of the January 20th EDA meeting. Community Development Director Weigle briefly reviewed details of the meeting, stating the group received a tour of Marksman Metals and were very impressed with the business and the new paint shop.

Weigle provided several updates of upcoming projects. He stated both Drywall Supply and Rainbow Painting will likely be submitting plans within the next few months for expansion projects. The City received an application for approval of a third community solar garden, located on Hamlin Avenue. The Planning Commission is scheduled to hold a public hearing at the February 3rd meeting. The Council discussed the number of solar gardens approved and expressed concern with approving any additional gardens until one is constructed to better determine any potential impacts to adjacent properties. The Council discussed several options including: tabling the public hearing for the current request, repealing the ordinance, enacting a moratorium, or limiting the number that can be approved in a year. A majority of the Council stated that since the current request was submitted under the ordinance, it would make sense to process that application, but they wanted to ensure no additional applications would be received until they are able to see one of the solar gardens constructed. After additional discussion and recommendations from Attorney Lenhardt, Council Members Schoen/Gulick **moved** to adopt an Interim Ordinance pursuant to Minn. Stat. §462.355, subd. 4 to impose a moratorium prohibiting new applications for the development of any additional solar gardens within the city from being filed with or accepted by the city for a period up

to one year from the effective date of the Interim Ordinance, to allow the Council the time to further study the impacts of solar gardens and whether additional conditions or spacing is needed for future requests. All voted aye.

Next, Weigle informed the Council the Planning Commission will also hold a public hearing to consider a motorcycle dealership in the former International Antiques Building located at 5358 Quam Circle NE at the February meeting. The Council briefly discussed the application. It was explained the City may need to enter into a Use Agreement with the owner regarding the use of Quam Circle to accommodate certain events, similar to previous agreements with Dunn Brothers and J&B.

Lastly, Weigle informed the Council that Sand Companies is moving forward with Cornerstone Village 2 and are currently working on a detailed layout of the facility. Staff will schedule an open house to meet with adjacent property owners prior to a public hearing to answer questions and provide more information.

City Administrator/Engineer Report.

STMA Soccer Goals Update. Administrator Bot reported the soccer club has had no interest from other soccer associations to purchase the used soccer goals, which are close to 15 years old and non-compliant with new standards. There is also very little value in scrapping out the metal frames. It was suggested by the STMA soccer club the City could sell them to residents for \$25/goal. The Council was in favor of selling the goals to residents as suggested.

City Attorney Report. Attorney Lenhardt had nothing specific to report.

Approval of Claims. Council Members Marx/Gulick **moved** to approve checks #37995-38051, and credit card and ACH transactions, as well as February bond payments, in the total amount of \$3,542,668.62. All voted aye.

Weigle briefly provided a summary of a meeting he attended with City of Rogers, MPCA, DNR and the Crow River Sportsman’s Club, regarding pursuing construction of a wall, which would act as a barrier for the shot gun shells and may provide some noise mitigation. All approvals will be with the City of Rogers, but staff will update as more information is known.

Adjourn. Council Members Marx/Schumm **moved** to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. All voted aye.

Attest:

City Clerk

Mayor