

City of North St. Paul
July 5, 2022
Approved City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Furlong called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted at City Hall in the Council Chambers, and also via Zoom.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Thorsen
Council Member Petersen
Council Member Wong
Council Member Cole
Mayor Furlong

Staff: Interim City Manager Brian Frandle, Deputy Clerk Jennie Kloos, Public Works Director Ron Ritchie, Public Works Supervisor Randy Miller, Communications Consultant Kari Erpenbach

III. ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Wong, with all present voting aye (5-0), motion carried to approve the agenda as presented.

IV. TOPIC(S)

A. 2023 Levy and Budget Goal Setting Workshop

Interim City Manager Brian Frandle stated this is the kick-off to the 2023 budget process and mentioned the city council will have the opportunity to discuss and set the 2023 Levy target and to identify goals and objectives for the 2023 budget.

Finance Director Dan Winek presented city council with a variety of scenarios including budget highlights from 2022, the impact of various tax levies on homeowners including 2023 potential property tax impacts, increases in technology costs, and reductions in Local Government Aid (LGA).

Recommendations were made to include the Economic Development Authority (EDA), Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) and commissions in the 2023 budget process.

Director Winek involved city council by asking them a number of questions followed by council members sharing their ideas for a proposed levy increase, goals for the City and desired budget topics. Council members expressed many similar goals including staffing, a desire to work on the City's infrastructure, and to ensure core services to residents.

Mr. Winek stated the next steps will be to meet with City Manager Frandle to review the information from the workshop and to meet with all department heads along with continued budget meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Cole, with all present voting aye (5-0), Mayor Furlong adjourned the workshop meeting at 6:27 p.m.

/s/ Terrence J. Furlong, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Brian Frandle, Interim City Manager/ Clerk