

City of North Saint Paul
July 16, 2019
Adopted City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Furlong called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Scott Thorsen
Council Member Candy Petersen
Council Member Tom Sonnek – arrived 5:05 p.m.
Council Member Jan Walczak
Mayor Terry Furlong

Staff: City Manager Scott Duddeck, Deputy Clerk Mary Mills, Finance Director Jason Zimmerman

Guests: Roger Vasko, Willie Tennis, Greg Tennis

III. ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Walczak, with all present voting aye, Council Member Sonnek absent for the vote (4-0), motion carried to approve the agenda as presented.

IV. TOPIC(S)

A. Trash Hauling contract

City Manager Duddeck reviewed the potential acceptance of a new contract with Tennis Sanitation Services. He stated a 5-year contract is proposed with many service changes and enhancements, including weekly recycling pick-up. He added City Staff recommends City Council approval of a contract with Tennis Sanitation Services.

Mr. Duddeck stated new customer rates are being considered for the bulk program along with adjusted rates, which will be discussed at the City Council's July 30, 2019 council meeting.

Mr. Duddeck stated the City will be purchasing trash containers to reduce costs to residents. He added grant funding of \$100,000 will assist with purchase of the recycling carts, which will be delivered City-wide beginning the week of August 19, 2019.

Council Member Sonnek asked whether aspects of the 5-year agreement can be negotiated, such as bulk pick-up, if the City Council votes to support the agreement. Mr. Duddeck confirmed this, adding the recycling program is very comprehensive. He added City Staff intends to get information out to residents in a timely manner about the new sanitation service.

Greg and Willie Tennis were present to address the City Council and answer questions.

Mr. Willie Tennis stated Tennis Sanitation Service is excited to be operating in the City of North St. Paul. He added Tennis recycles more items than their competition, including scrap metal. He noted bulk items can be taken as recycling, which will be done weekly.

In addition there will be textiles recycling available. All residents will receive an orange bag which can be filled with textiles and left on the recycle bin on collection day. He stated the driver will give residents a replacement recycling bag.

All present were in agreement to bring this item forward to the city council meeting for adoption.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Council Members Thorsen and Walczak suggested amending Consent Agenda item J on the regular meeting agenda to include discussion on garbage rate fees for the new trash hauling contract on July 30, 2019.

City Manager Duddeck requested an addition to the Council agenda to schedule a budget meeting on August 27, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Walczak, with all present voting aye (5-0), Mayor Furlong adjourned the workshop meeting at 6:11 p.m.

/s/ Terrence J. Furlong, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Scott A. Duddeck, City Manager