

North St. Paul City Council Retreat Workshop
Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting notes

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present were Council Members Thorsen, Walczak and Mayor Furlong

Absent were Council Members Petersen and Sonnek

The following topics were discussed.

1. Solid Waste Review

No action required. There was a review of the last four months activity in 2019 since switching carriers for trash hauling. Much more data will need to be compiled before discussing rates or changes. There is a Spring cleanup scheduled in May.

2. Downtown Maintenance Hours / Noise

City Code needs to be reviewed to consider exceptions to hours that noise is allowed in the downtown area. Snow removal begins in the early hours so businesses can be open by 8:00 a.m.

3. Chickens & Bees

The Planning Commission will be revisiting this item at the February 27 PC meeting.

4. Street Work Funding Around Uptown Commons

The cost of intersection work related to the TIF for 7th Avenue and Margaret Street development was not part of the calculations for the 7th Avenue Improvement Plan for 2020. Various funding options were discussed. This is a complex topic and will need to consider all options and look at the effect of tax Petitions on the projected tax payments.

5. Anchor Commons Formal Naming / Anchor Drive / Anchor View Apartments

6. Schifsky Site Improvements

7. Working on bid forms for Lawn mowing

8. Joint Powers for IT Services

9. Review Downtown Street Scape Drawings

10. Communications / Website / Projects in lieu of WSB

11. Website Update (last year) Free Every 4 Years
12. Sidewalk Snow Removal for Next Year / All Main Sidewalks
13. Non-Profit Local Groups Free Use of Park Buildings During Off Peak
14. School Dist. Polar Den Type Store with Library?
15. Hiring in Public Works Replace Two
16. Hiring in Finance and Position Changes
17. Highway 36 & 120
18. BP Station Deed Restrictions
19. Community Center Sale
20. Eric Peterson Law Suit

Mayor Furlong requested that council members email Scott Duddeck or Terry Furlong with their requested topic items for the April 14, 2020 retreat workshop.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.