

City of North Saint Paul
September 22, 2020
Adopted City Council Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

The September 22, 2020 meeting was held via Zoom and complied with all requirements of Minnesota State Statute 13D.021.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Terry Furlong called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Council Member Scott Thorsen
Council Member Candy Petersen
Council Member Tom Sonnek
Council Member Jan Walczak
Mayor Terry Furlong

Staff: City Manager Scott Duddeck, Deputy Clerk Jennie Kloos, Public Works Superintendent Ron Ritchie, Finance Director Jason Zimmerman, Communications Consultant Kari Erpenbach, Fire Chief Jason Mallinger, Electric Director Brian Frandle.

III. TOPIC(S)

A. Operational updates

City Manager Duddeck updated the Mayor and Council that this would be the last scheduled additional workshop meeting. Meetings will go back to originally scheduled on the 1st and 3rd before Council meetings. Updates were reported on the BP Gas Station demolition, and Uptown Commons. Mr. Duddeck informed council that housing plans on the 19th Ave housing project will be going through the variance process.

Electric Director Brian Frandle updated the Mayor and Council on current projects. Including the Anchor North project, moving old poles and setting temporary poles on 7th Ave E, and the continuation of phase 2 at MI Homes, burying 400' of wire.

Public Works Superintendent Ron Ritchie updated the Mayor and Council on projects Public Works has been working on. Including crack filling, building demolition, equipment preparation for the winter months and landscaping at Rotary Park.

Communications Consultant Kari Erpenbach updated the Mayor and Council on software and website updates. Kari also mentioned the open house/dedication ceremony for Housing for Heros to be held on Thursday, September 24th at 2:00 p.m.at the Veteran's Park

Finance Director Jason Zimmerman updated the Mayor and Council on OpenGov software and commented that it will be a good change.

Fire Chief Jason Mallinger gave an in-depth overview on staffing, the Booya event coming up on Sunday, October 4th, updating individual and department photos and rental licensing.

Mr. Duddeck updated the Mayor and council on the Police Department with information regarding preparing 3 vehicles for auction, with no replacements for this year. Upcoming with Council will be the discussion on Bodycams

V. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion by Council Member Walz, seconded by Council Member Sonnek, with all present voting aye (5-0), Mayor Furlong adjourned the workshop meeting at 6:01 p.m.

/s/ Terrence J. Furlong, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Scott A. Duddeck, City Manager/Clerk