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**CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF RAMSEY  
ANOKA COUNTY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey City Council conducted a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2012, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Bob Ramsey  
Councilmember David Elvig  
Councilmember Colin McGlone  
Councilmember Sarah Strommen  
Councilmember Jason Tossey  
Councilmember Jeffrey Wise (arrived at 7:03 p.m.)

Members Absent: Councilmember Randy Backous

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis Ulrich  
Fire Chief Dean Kapler  
Public Works Superintendent Grant Riemer  
Development Services Manager Timothy Gladhill  
Management Analyst Patrick Brama  
City Attorney William Goodrich  
Interim Engineer Shane Nelson

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ramsey called the regular meeting of the Ramsey City Council to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Ramsey.

**2. PRESENTATION**

None.

**3. CITIZEN INPUT**

None.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Elvig, seconded by Mayor Ramsey, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 4.01: Receive Cash and Investments for Period Ending July 31, 2012
- 4.02: Receive June 2012 Financial Reports – General Fund and Enterprise Funds

4.03: Approve Licenses:

Peddler / Solicitor

Walters Recycling & Refuse, Inc., P.O. Box 67, Circle Pines, MN 55014

Transient Merchant

United Methodist Church of Anoka/Northern Lights Church, 850 South Street / 6701 Highway  
#10 NW; Anoka, MN 55303 / Ramsey, MN 55303

Special Events

City of Ramsey, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, MN 55303

4.04: Approve the following City Council Meeting Minutes:

- 1) Special City Council and City Council Work Session – June 5, 2012
- 2) City Council Work Session – June 12, 2012
- 3) Special City Council and City Council Work Session – June 19, 2012
- 4) City Council Work Session and City Council Regular – June 26, 2012
- 5) City Council Work Session and City Council Regular – July 10, 2012
- 6) City Council Work Session and City Council Regular – July 24, 2012

4.05: Request for Certificate of Completion at 14220 Basalt Street NW

4.06: Clarify Motion Related to Waving Application and Escrow Fees Related to a Request for an Interim Use Permit

4.07: Adopt Resolution #12-08-116 Approving Cash Disbursements Made and Authorizing Payment of Accounts Payable Invoicing Received During the Period of July 19, 2012, through August 8, 2012

4.08: Adopt Resolution #12-08-117 to Accept Recycling Enhancement Grant Funds from Anoka County and to Amend the Agreement for Residential Recycling Program

4.09: Report from the Public Works Committee Meeting dated July 17, 2012:

- 1) Consider Traffic Control Change for Sunwood Drive / Sapphire Street Intersection – *Ratify the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to approve Option #1, leave intersection as it is presently.*
- 2) Tree Removal at 16490 Uranium Street– *Ratify the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to approve the use of Council Contingency Fund to contract with Olson Tree Service for tree removal and clean up at 16490 uranium Street in an amount not to exceed \$3,300.00*
- 3) Review Overlay Project 11-05 (157<sup>th</sup> Lane East of Ramsey Boulevard) - *Ratify the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to accept Overlay Project 11-05, 157<sup>th</sup> Lane east of Ramsey Boulevard and let the warranty period expire, and direct staff to review the policy and propose alternate language.*
- 4) Review Resident's Concerns with the Sunfish Lake Boulevard / CR116 Project – *Item will be rescheduled to future Public Works meeting.*
- 5) Consider Purchase of AVL System for Public Works Fleet - *Ratify the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to approve staff testing the AVL system from Precise MRM for 30 days on the sweeper, starting in October, with staff reporting on what did and did not work and whether its use resulted in staff efficiencies.*

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers Elvig, McGlone, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

## **5. APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Tossey, seconded by Mayor Ramsey to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers Tossey, Elvig, McGlone, and Strommen. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

## **6. PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

## **7. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **7.01: City Improvement Project 12-20; Sunwood Drive Realignment – Consider Change Order #1**

Interim Engineer Nelson reviewed the staff report.

Councilmember Wise arrived at 7:03 p.m.

Motion by Mayor Ramsey, seconded by Councilmember Strommen, to approve Change Order #1 in the amount of \$19,237.60 for City Improvement Project #12-20; Sunwood Drive Realignment.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers Strommen, Elvig, McGlone, Tossey, and Wise. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmember Backous.

Councilmember Wise stepped down from the Council dais at 7:05 p.m.

### **7.02: Consider Preliminary Plat and Final Plat Approval of COR TWO; Case of the City of Ramsey Housing and Redevelopment Authority**

Development Services Manager Gladhill reviewed the staff report and answered questions of the Council, noting this has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Planning Commission. He indicated this preliminary plat is being presented by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

Motion by Councilmember McGlone, seconded by Mayor Ramsey, to adopt Resolution #12-08-118 Granting Preliminary Plat Approval of COR TWO; to adopt Resolution #12-08-119 Granting Final Plat Approval of COR TWO contingent upon: Required Amendments as outlined in the Staff Review File dated July 27, 2012, revised August 9, 2012; and, Developer Entering into a Development Agreement with the City.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers McGlone, Elvig, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

### **7.03: Consider Site Plan Approval of Wiser Choice Liquor**

Development Services Manager Gladhill reviewed the staff report.

Jeffrey Wise, 7901 165<sup>th</sup> Avenue and owner of Wiser Choice Liquors, described the architectural elements of the proposed structure and indicated he is negotiating with three restaurant users. He noted the proposal includes a large outdoor dining area.

Motion by Mayor Ramsey, seconded by Councilmember McGlone, to approve the Site Plan for Wiser Choice Liquors, contingent upon compliance with the Staff Review File dated July 27, 2012, revised August 9, 2012.

Further discussion: The Council asked questions of staff related to the timing for consideration of the development agreement. Development Manager Lazan noted the development agreement is between the HRA and City. The Council agreed with the suggestion of City Attorney Goodrich to add a condition to make the development permit contingent upon execution of the development agreement.

Mayor Ramsey amended the motion to add a condition to make the development permit contingent upon execution of the development agreement.

Councilmember McGlone reaffirmed his second to the motion, as amended.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers McGlone, Elvig, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

### **7.04: Introduce Ordinance to Vacate Drainage and Utility Easements and Right-of-Way for Sunwood Drive Within the COR TWO Subdivision located East of Armstrong Boulevard and South of Bunker Lake Boulevard; Case of the City of Ramsey Housing and Redevelopment Authority**

Development Services Manager Gladhill reviewed the staff report.

Motion by Councilmember McGlone, seconded by Mayor Ramsey, to introduce an Ordinance vacating certain drainage and utility easements and right-of-way for Sunwood Drive within the COR TWO plat.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers McGlone, Elvig, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

At the recommendation of City Attorney Goodrich, the Council agreed to reorder the agenda to next consider Item 7:06.

### **7.06: Introduce Ordinance for the Sale of Outlot A, Ramsey Town Center 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition**

City Attorney Goodrich and Development Manager Lazan reviewed the staff report and answered questions of the Council relating to height of signage.

Motion by Councilmember Elvig, seconded by Councilmember Ramsey, to introduce an Ordinance providing for the sale of Outlot A, Ramsey Town Center 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition, Anoka County, Minnesota.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers Elvig, McGlone, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

Councilmember Wise returned to the Council dais at 7:26 p.m.

**7.05: Adopt Ordinance to Establish Game Fair Off-Street Parking Overlay District**

Development Services Manager Gladhill reviewed the staff report.

Motion by Mayor Ramsey, seconded by Councilmember Elvig, to waive the City Charter requirement to read the ordinance aloud and adopt Ordinance #12-12 Establishing the Game Fair Off-Street Parking Overlay District.

A roll call vote was performed by the Recording Secretary:

Councilmember Strommen	aye
Councilmember Tossey	aye
Councilmember Backous	absent
Councilmember Wise	aye
Councilmember McGlone	aye
Councilmember Elvig	aye
Mayor Ramsey	aye

Motion carried.

**7.06: Introduce Ordinance for the Sale of Outlot A, Ramsey Town Center 3<sup>rd</sup> Addition**

This item was considered prior to Item 7:05.

**7.07: Consider Entering into a Purchase Agreement for the Property Located at 14590 Armstrong Boulevard, Ramsey, Minnesota, known as Wisier Choice Liquors – Portions of this discussion may be closed to the public.**

Development Manager Lazan reviewed the staff report.

Councilmember Wise recused himself due to a potential conflict of interest and left the Council Chambers at 7:28 p.m.

City Attorney Goodrich advised that under Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.053(c), the meeting can move into closed session to discuss confidential or non-public appraisal data and acquisition negotiations. He indicated closed session discussion will relate to property acquisitions of property located at 14590 Armstrong Boulevard known as Wiser Choice Liquors for right-of-way purposes for future Highway 10/Armstrong Boulevard interchange and the Sunwood Drive Realignment Project. The closed session will be tape recorded and that tape will be maintained for a period of eight years.

Motion by Councilmember Elvig, seconded by Councilmember McGlone, to move to closed session to discuss acquisition negotiations.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Ramsey, Councilmembers Elvig, McGlone, Strommen, and Tossey. Voting No: None. Absent: Councilmembers Backous and Wise.

The City Council meeting moved into a closed session at 7:29 p.m.

The City Council reconvened in open session at 7:54 p.m.

City Attorney Goodrich stated the Council held discussion on the purchase and prefers to review the final purchase agreement prior to taking action.

Councilmember Wise returned to the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

## **8. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF INPUT**

City Administrator Ulrich announced the Primary Election, upcoming meetings and events, and receipt of two grants. Game Fair was announced and residents were reminded of the need to obtain a permit and training prior to use of ATVs or golf carts on City streets.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember McGlone, seconded by Councilmember Wise, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kurtis G. Ulrich  
City Administrator

ATTEST:

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Jo Ann M. Thieling  
City Clerk

Drafted by Carla Wirth  
*TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.*