

TABLE OF CONTENTS

1. CALL TO ORDER ..... 2

2. PRESENTATION..... 2

    2.01: Department Report: Public Works/Parks..... 2

3. CITIZEN INPUT ..... 2

4. CONSENT AGENDA ..... 3

5. APPROVE AGENDA ..... 3

6. PUBLIC HEARING ..... 4

    6.01: Consider Ordinance #14-15 Adopting 2015 Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges... 4

7. COUNCIL BUSINESS..... 5

8. MAYOR, COUNCIL AND STAFF INPUT ..... 5

9. ADJOURNMENT ..... 5

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

The Ramsey City Council conducted a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 25, 2014, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Sarah Strommen  
Councilmember Jill Johns  
Councilmember Mark Kuzma  
Councilmember John LeTourneau  
Councilmember Chris Riley

Members Absent: Councilmember Randy Backous  
Councilmember Jason Tossey

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis Ulrich  
Police Chief Jeff Katers  
Parks and Assistant Public Works Superintendent Mark Riverblood  
Human Resources Manager Colleen Lasher  
Community Development Director Timothy Gladhill  
City Engineer Bruce Westby  
City Attorney Joe Langel

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. PRESENTATION**

**2.01: Department Report: Public Works/Parks**

Parks and Assistant Public Works Superintendent Riverblood presented a report on 2014 Public Works and Park Department activities, improvement projects, and thanked all who volunteered and contributed to these efforts. He announced that for the first time, the Central Park rink and warming house will open early for one day, Friday, November 28, 2014.

**3. CITIZEN INPUT**

None.

#### **4. CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember LeTourneau, seconded by Councilmember Riley, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 4.01: Note the following Board and Commissions Meeting Minutes:
  - 1) Planning Commission Meeting Minutes dated October 9, 2014
  - 2) Park and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes dated October 9, 2014
- 4.02: Approve the following Meeting Minutes:
  - 1) Special City Council (Canvassing Board) dated November 12, 2014
  - 2) City Council Work Session dated November 12, 2014
  - 3) City Council Regular dated November 12, 2014
  - 4) HRA Regular dated November 12, 2014
- 4.03: Declare Surplus Property
- 4.04: Adopt Resolution #14-11-237 Adopting the 2015 Parking Ramp Maintenance Budget and Adopt Resolution #14-11-238 Allocating the Parking Ramp Maintenance Costs per the Adopted 2015 Budget
- 4.05: Adopt Resolution #14-11-239 Approving Partial Payment to Douglas-Kerr Underground LLC for IP 14-24; Center Street Improvements
- 4.06: Adopt Resolution #14-11-240 Approving Partial Payment to Kuechle Underground, Inc. for IP 12-22 Riverdale Drive Reconstruction and Extension
- 4.07: Adopt Resolution #14-11-241 Awarding the Bid for Construction of the Mississippi River Trail – Riverdale Drive Extension to Armstrong Boulevard
- 4.08: Adopt Resolution #14-11-242 Approving Cash Disbursements Made and Authorizing Payment of Accounts Payable Received During the Period of November 6, 2014, through November 19, 2014
- 4.09: Adopt Resolution #14-11-243 to Hire Temporary Snow Plow Drivers
- 4.10: Adopt Resolution #14-11-244 to Appoint a Police Department Captain and a Police Department Sergeant
- 4.11: Adopt Resolution #14-11-247 Recognizing the Anoka Tornadoes Boys Soccer Team for Winning the Class 2A State Title in Boys High School Soccer

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Strommen, Councilmembers LeTourneau, Riley, Johns, and Kuzma. Voting No: None. Councilmembers Backous and Tossey.

#### **5. APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember Johns, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Strommen, Councilmembers Riley, Johns, Kuzma, and LeTourneau. Voting No: None. Councilmembers Backous and Tossey.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING**

**6.01: Consider Ordinance #14-15 Adopting 2015 Schedule of Rates, Fees and Charges**

Mayor Strommen closed the regular portion of the City Council meeting at 7:13 p.m. in order to conduct a public hearing.

**Public Hearing**

Mayor Strommen called the public hearing to order at 7:13 p.m.

**Presentation**

City Administrator Ulrich reviewed the staff report and recommendation to adopt the 2015 Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges, which is an annual consideration.

**Citizen Input**

There was none.

Motion by Councilmember LeTourneau, seconded by Councilmember Riley, to close the public hearing.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Mayor Strommen, Councilmembers LeTourneau, Riley, Johns, and Kuzma. Voting No: None. Councilmembers Backous and Tossey.

The public hearing was closed at 7:15 p.m.

**Council Business**

Mayor Strommen called the regular City Council meeting back to order at 7:15 p.m.

The Council acknowledged it had discussed the Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges at several meetings and most will remain constant.

Motion by Councilmember LeTourneau, seconded by Councilmember Riley, to Waive the Charter Requirement that the Ordinance be read aloud and Adopt Ordinance #14-15, An Ordinance Establishing Permit Fees, Service Charges, and Various Other Fees to be Collected by the City of Ramsey.

A roll call vote was performed by the Recording Secretary:

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Councilmember Backous | absent |
| Councilmember Tossey  | absent |
| Councilmember Johns   | aye    |
| Councilmember Riley   | aye    |
| Councilmember Kuzma   | aye    |

Councilmember LeTourneau aye  
Mayor Strommen aye

Motion carried.

## **7. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

None.

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

City Administrator Ulrich reported on a survey the City conducted of impacted businesses that indicated the majority, 9, support closing Armstrong Boulevard during the project so it can be completed in eight months; 4 businesses support leaving Armstrong Boulevard open during the project with a prolonged construction period of 16 months; and, 3 businesses were indifferent.

City Administrator Ulrich announced upcoming training opportunities for HEARTSafe Ramsey and the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 9, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. City Administrator Ulrich also provided information on Northstar Station ridership and the upcoming Highway 10 Transportation Coalition meeting.

Mayor Strommen reported that she and City Administrator Ulrich met last week with the School Board Chair and Superintendent to discuss its boundary change proposal for Ramsey Elementary in advance of the parent meeting. She indicated that discussion involved the demographics used to plan for the future and a potential change to use a kindergarten center model.

Councilmember LeTourneau thanked staff for communicating with Highway 10 businesses relating to the Armstrong Boulevard project and asked staff to include the Council in those updates and the process of making choices on variables relating to detours and signage.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Riley, seconded by Councilmember LeTourneau, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the City Council adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

---

Kurtis G. Ulrich, City Administrator

ATTEST:

---

Jo Ann M. Thieling, City Clerk

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