

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Spring Lake Park City Council was held on October 7, 2019 at the Spring Lake Park Community Center, 1301 81st Avenue N.E., at 7:00 P.M.

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

### 2. Roll Call

Members Present: Councilmembers Wendling, Delfs, Goodboe-Bisschoff, Dircks and Mayor Nelson

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Police Chief Ebeltoft; Public Works Director Randall; Building Inspector Baker; Attorney Thames; Parks and Recreation Director Okey; Administrator Buchholtz and Executive Assistant Gooden

Visitors: LuAnn Larson – SLP Employee  
Brad & Becky Lemke, Ramsey  
Kloe, Brianna and Rachel Lemke, St. Francis  
Becky Havlik and Grace Thull, Bethel  
Ron and Janeen Bowen, Cedar  
Robert Parsons, Isanti  
Dan Friehe, 8299 University Avenue NE  
Jeri McMahon, 8073 Garfield Street NE  
John Tolson, 830 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE  
Christine Jones and Ron Geir, 8081 Garfield Street NE  
Employees of the Spring Lake Park Police Department  
Peter Allan, Stantec

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

### 4. Additions or Corrections to Agenda - None

### 5. Discussion From The Floor

Christine Jones, 8081 Garfield Street NE, expressed her concern with the landscaping around the Garfield Pond project. She stated that her main concerns with the landscaping plan are: safety, noise reduction and the beautification. She stated that she has submitted photos to Mr. Gravel for possible trees to be considered.

Mr. Gravel reported that action requested at the Council meeting for this agenda will not include the landscaping portion. He stated that the landscaping plans will be developed at a later date under a separate contract once the pond work has started and a contractor will then be able to best determine what landscaping will be most appropriate.

6. Consent Agenda:

Mayor Nelson reviewed the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Approval of Minutes – September 16, 2019
- B. Budget to Date (August) / Statement of Fund Balance
- C. Proclamation – Domestic Violence Month – October 2019
- D. Contractor’s Request for Payment No. 1 – Hydro-Klean LLC
- E. Contractor’s Request for Payment No.2 – Final – Allied Blacktop
- F. Right of Way Application – CenterPoint Energy
- G. Contractor’s Licenses
- H. Business License – Cigarette License
- I. Correspondence

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

7. PresentationA. Swearing In of Police Officer Dustin Lemke

Administrator Buchholtz administered the Police Officer Oath to Dustin Lemke.

8. Public Works Report

Public Works Director Randall reported that the Public Works Department has been collecting garbage and recycling in the parks on a daily basis. He reported that the Department installed the monument sign at Triangle Park along with a retaining wall. He stated that the tennis courts have been completed at Terrace Park. He reported that the Department has been busy painting stop bars and cross walks and continue to clean out the sewers.

Mr. Randall reported he read the water meters and there was a total of 29 meters that did not read properly. He reported that the Department is in the process of replacing and repairing those meters. He reported that the Department has been preparing equipment for winter as well as cleaning out the catch basins.

Mayor Nelson inquired as to when street sweeping will take place. Mr. Randall stated that the sweeping will take place the first two week of November dependent on the weather and frost. He stated that he will have an update at the next Council meeting.

9. Code Enforcement Report

Building Inspector Baker stated that in September 2019, 19 building permits, two fire, three zoning, 11 mechanical and six plumbing permits were issued for a total of 41 permits compared to a total of 47 in 2018. He reported that the Code Enforcement Department conducted 81 inspections in the month of September including 35 rentals with 182 units, three zoning, 41 nuisance and two fire inspections.

Mr. Baker reported that the Public Storage is almost complete. He reported that he conducted a final walkthrough with the Fire Department day staff on October 3, 2019 to familiarize them with the new building.

Mr. Baker provided a handout that he created for commercial properties in Spring Lake Park. He stated that the notice of Fire Inspection and the self-inspection check list will help Spring Lake Park and business owners, limit the resources needed to keeping the citizens and businesses safe.

Mr. Baker reported that the September 2019 vacancy listing shows that there are 12 vacant/foreclosed residential properties currently posted and/or soon posted by the Code Enforcement Department. There is one vacant/foreclosed commercial property and four residential properties currently occupied and ready for Sheriff Sale redemption. He reported that he did post one abandoned and/or vacant property notices in the month of September. He stated that the department issued three administrative offense tickets.

Mr. Baker reported that he attended the Council meetings on September 3 and 16; new construction meetings on September 5 and 18; an Inspection meeting on September 19; the North Suburban Building Official meeting on September 24 and a MNSPECT status meeting on September 27.

#### 10. Ordinances And/Or Resolutions

##### A. Approval of Ordinance 455, Amending Chapter 52 of the Spring Lake Park City Code Relating to Storm and Surface Waters

Administrator Buchholtz reported that as part of the approval and implementation of the City's Local Surface Water Management Plan, staff is presenting an ordinance amending Chapter 52 of the City Code for Council review and approval relating to storm and surface waters.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the proposed ordinance achieves the following:

- Requires that all property-related activities that are regulated by a watershed district shall be reviewed and approved by the applicable watershed district prior to local permit or final subdivision approval.
- Establishes a new subchapter, entitled "Private Surface Water Facility Maintenance," which requires a maintenance plan to be submitted for all new private stormwater best management practices (BMP's). The chapter also requires property owners to perform maintenance on their existing private stormwater BMP's to ensure they function consistent with their original design and establishes an enforcement process to ensure compliance.
- Requires any land disturbance and/or drainage alterations that impact or have potential impact to wetland areas and/or public waters to be reviewed by the local government unit (either Coon Creek Watershed District or Rice Creek Watershed District).

He reported that the proposed ordinance was drafted by Stantec and reviewed by the City Attorney. He stated that staff recommends approval of the proposed ordinance.

Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff inquired as to what the timeline for the pond inspection was.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the city will be divided into quadrants and one quadrant will be inspected each year. He stated that the inspections will need to be balanced out with the Public Works and Stantec work load. He reported that the priority area will be the area East of Highway 65.

Administrator Buchholtz stated that property owners are responsible for their own private ponds. He stated that the City will maintain public ponds.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DIRCKS TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 455, AMENDING CHAPTER 52 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CITY CODE RELATING TO STORM AND SURFACE WATERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

B. Resolution 19-33, A Resolution Authorizing Publication of Title and Summary of Ordinance 455, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 52 of the Spring Lake Park City Code Relating to Storm and Surface Waters

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 19-33, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF TITLE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE 455, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 52 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CITY CODE RELATING TO STORM AND SURFACE WATERS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Approval of Ordinance 453, Amending Chapter 152 of the Spring Lake Park Code of Ordinance Relating to Subdivisions

Administrator Buchholtz provided an amendment to the City's subdivision code to the Council. He reported that a public hearing was held to review the amendments prior to the recommendation to the City Council.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the first amendment amends sections 152.015 and 152.017 of the Subdivision Ordinance. He stated that these amendments required the subdivider to submit the preliminary plat of his/her proposed subdivision to the applicable Watershed District for review and approval, stated that the final plat approval will not be granted until evidence of Watershed District approval to the City with their final plat application.

Administrator Buchholtz stated that this particular ordinance amendment is in response to comments the City received from the Watershed Districts after reviewing the City's Local Surface Water Management Plan.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DELFS TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 452, AMENDING CHAPTER 152 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CODE OF ORDINANCE RELATING TO SUBDIVISIONS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

D. Approval of Resolution 19-34, A Resolution Authorizing Publication of Title and Summary of Ordinance 456, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 152 of the Spring Lake Park City Code Relating to Subdivisions

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER DIRCKS TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 19-34, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF TITLE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE 456, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 152 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CITY CODE RELATING TO SUBDIVISIONS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

E. Approval of Ordinance 457, Amending Chapter 152 of the Spring Lake Park City Code Relating to Subdivisions

Administrator Buchholtz reported that this amendment creates an administrative subdivision process that allows a property owner to subdivide a parcel from one to two lots or to combine two lots into one lot. He stated that the resulting lots must comply with all the terms of the subdivision and zoning ordinances.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the platting process is expensive and this process provides a less expensive way for these types of subdivisions and lot combinations to happen rather than through a formal platting process. He stated that while these are not frequent, these types of requests do come up from time to

time. He stated that this ordinance will provide the City with the flexibility to address them as needed.

MOTION MADE BY MAYOR NELSON TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 457, AMENDING CHAPTER 152 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CITY CODE RELATING TO SUBDIVISIONS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

F. Approval of Resolution 19-35 Authorizing Publication of Title and summary of Ordinance 457, An Ordinance Amending Chapter 152 of the Spring Lake Park City Code Relating to Subdivisions

MOTION MADE BY MAYOR NELSON TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 19-35 AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF TITLE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE 457, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 152 OF THE SPRING LAKE PARK CITY CODE RELATING TO SUBDIVISIONS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

11. New Business

A. Monte's Site Plan Review

Administrator Buchholtz reported that Monte's Sports Bar, 8299 University Avenue NE, has submitted an application for site plan review for an eight foot by 20-foot storage and cooler/freezer unit. He reported that staff discovered this after a portion of the structure was constructed without a building permit. He stated that he and Mayor Nelson met with the owner of Monte's, Dan Freih, the week of September 23, 2019, to discuss the zoning requirement of a site plan review. He stated the site plan review application was made on Monday, September 30, 2019.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that Section 153.060 of the City's zoning code stated that all building and site improvements in the C-1, C-2, C-3 and I-1 zoning districts require site plan review by the City Council. He stated that the application was forwarded to the City Planner Phil Carlson for his review and comment.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that Monte's Sports Bar is zoned C-2, Neighborhood and Service Center Commercial. He stated that restaurants, night clubs and the like are permitted uses in the C-2 zoning district. He stated that the proposed storage and cooler/freezer unit is an accessory building. Accessory uses are customarily incidental to the permitted or conditional uses allowed in the district.

Administrator Buchholtz reviewed the proposed application and site plan with the Council as well as past history of the building project and improvements. He stated that Section 153.061 establishes setbacks for accessory buildings and requires a detached accessory building to not be closer than eight feet to the principal building. He noted that the proposed location does not meet this setback.

Administrator Buchholtz stated that Section 153.100 (B)(10) deals with visual aesthetics. He stated that the proposed structure is to be sided with cedar siding. He stated that the proposed building is not a very attractive building and is plain and industrial in appearance. He stated that while wood siding is not specifically mentioned as a prohibited material, it not in keeping with the stone, brick and stucco exterior of the principal building. He stated that staff recommends requiring that the materials be upgraded to match some element of the existing building and that an architectural element be added to give it some visual design connection to the rest of the site. He suggested that an alternative, the proposed storage and cooler/freezer unit could be screened from the north and east sides.

Administrator Buchholtz suggested to the Council that they may also wish to use this application to bring property screening requirements up to City Code standards. He reported that Section 153.064(I) of the Zoning Code addresses buffer yards to be residential yards. He stated that the existing east side of the site has a chain link fence with slats and some tall arborvitae trees, although there are gaps in the landscaping. He suggested that the Council should consider requiring the applicant to upgrade the buffer to conform with City standards.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the HVAC plan submitted to MNSPECT showed the HVAC unit to be constructed on the east side of the building. He stated that upon construction, the HVAC unit was set up on the sidewalk adjacent to the north side of the building, visible from University Avenue. He stated that the applicant has proposed screening the unit with a cedar fence. He stated that staff is concerned that the unit, along with the proposed screening, will encroach in the required clearance between the proposed fence and the end of the handrail for the existing ramp on the north side of the building. He stated that the building code and the fire code requires a landing length to be more than 48 inches in the direction of travel for a ramp that is not part of an accessible route.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that staff recommends approval of the site plan review with the following conditions:

1. Applicant shall move the storage and cooler/freezer unit to a location that complies with the eight foot setback between detached accessory structures and principal structures set forth by Section 153.061 of the Zoning Code.
2. Applicant shall use siding materials on the accessory structure that are consistent with the brick, stone and stucco used in the existing structure and add an architectural element to provide a visual design connection between the accessory building and the rest of the site.
3. Applicant shall screen HVAC units with a fence constructed in compliance with City Code and protect said fencing with bollards. Applicant shall ensure that there is a 48-inch clearance from the end of the handrail to the fencing, pursuant to the State Building code and State Fire Code (Chapter 10, Section 1010). *[The City Council could also require the HVAC units to be relocated to comply with the original mechanical plan submitted by the applicant to MNSPECT.]*
4. Applicant shall bring the screening on the east side of the property into conformance with Section 153.064(I) of the Zoning Code.

Dan Freih, Monte's, stated that he had completed many of the items on the list of concerns after he met with Administrator Buchholtz and Mayor Nelson. He reported that he had moved the cooler/freezer to comply with the setbacks. He stated that additional trees had been planted along the fence line and the handrail was now nine feet long. He reported that the only option that is available for the cooler/freezer to more appealing would be to paint the cooler however adding a stucco to it would not be possible.

Mr. Freih stated that he applied for the building permit over 10 weeks ago with MNSPECT. He stated that his contractors explained to him that as long as the permit had been applied for work could begin. He stated that he is frustrated as he currently is operating a bar without the option to serve or offer food since the restaurant next door to his establishment has changed their business hours.

Administrator Buchholtz confirmed that the permit was applied for 10 weeks ago and that MNSPECT has exceeded the acceptable time for permit review. He did explain to Mr. Freih that a permit does need to be issued before work can begin on any project in the City.

Mr. Baker stated that stop work orders had been issued and work still proceeded. He stated that had calls been made to city hall to explain what was going on by Mr. Freih's contractors, many of the issues that are being

brought up could have been avoided.

Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff inquired if residents within 350 feet of the establishment should have been notified of the site plan review process.

Administrator Buchholtz stated that they did not need to be as the site plan review ordinance does not require public notification when site plan review and all the changes comply within the City's Zoning Code.

Mayor Nelson inquired if bollards had been installed around the HVAC unit. He stated that the bollards will protect the HVAC unit from damage from vehicles in the parking lot.

Councilmember Delfs inquired on how the HVAC unit was constructed since it was not on the roof currently.

Mr. Freih explained that the roof would not support a large HVAC unit therefore it has to be put on the ground with the fencing and bollards around it.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE SITE PLAN FOR MONTE'S SPORTS BAR WITH THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS: 1.) APPLICANT SHALL MOVE THE STORAGE AND COOLER/FREEZER UNIT TO A LOCATION THAT COMPLIES WITH THE EIGHT FOOT SETBACK BETWEEN DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES AND PRINCIPAL STRUCTURES SET FORTH BY SECTION 153.061 OF THE ZONING CODE. 2.) APPLICANT SHALL USE SIDING MATERIALS ON THE ACCESSORY STRUCTURE THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE BRICK, STONE AND STUCCO USED IN THE EXISTING STRUCTURE AND ADD AN ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENT TO PROVIDE A VISUAL DESIGN CONNECTION BETWEEN THE ACCESSORY BUILDING AND THE REST OF THE SITE. 3.) APPLICANT SHALL SCREEN HVAC UNITS WITH A FENCE CONSTRUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODE AND PROTECT SAID FENCING WITH BOLLARDS. APPLICANT SHALL ENSURE THAT THERE IS A 48-INCH CLEARANCE FROM THE END OF THE HANDRAIL TO THE FENCING, PURSUANT TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE AND STATE FIRE CODE (CHAPTER 10, SECTION 1010) 4.) APPLICANT SHALL BRING THE SCREENING ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE PROPERTY INTO CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 153.064(I) OF THE ZONING CODE. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

#### B. Authorize Preparation of Plans and Obtain Quotes for 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue Signing Plan

Engineer Gravel reported that the City can request a change in State Aid designation for a portion of 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue and a portion of University Avenue Service Drive on January 2, 2020. He stated that when this request is submitted, the City can begin the process of prohibiting truck traffic on 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue between TH 47 and Terrace Road.

Mr. Gravel reported that staff would like to begin the process of preparing a formal Signing Plan. He stated that the Signing Plan will show where signing will be located and what signing will be installed. He stated that the signing design will be completed per MMUTCD standard and the MnDOT requirements. He reported that the preparing of the plan, obtaining approvals and quotes will take a few months.

Mr. Gravel stated that at this time, staff is requesting authorization to prepare the 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue Signing Plan and obtain installation quotes. He stated that the cost to prepare the plan and obtain quotes is \$12,000.

Mr. Gravel provided a tentative schedule for the 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue process to be:

Begin Preparation of Signing Plan	October 2019
Request State Aid Modifications	January 2020
State Aid Approvals	February 2020
Installing Signing	March 2020

Councilmember Wendling expressed that he is in favor of this change and commented on how well traveled 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue is.

MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE AUTHORIZATION OF PREPARATION OF PLANS AND OBTAIN QUOTES FOR 81<sup>ST</sup> AVENUE SIGNING PLANS. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Approve Plans and Authorize Bidding for Garfield Pond Improvement Plan

Engineer Gravel reported that Construction Plans and Specifications have been prepared for the stormwater management project at the Garfield Pond on 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE. He stated that the proposed project includes expanding and partially dredging the pond, construction of an infiltration shelf along 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue (between the sidewalk and the pond), and a large diameter storm pipe between the pond and Spring Lake. He stated that the proposed improvements are consistent with the cost share agreement with the Rice Creek Watershed District.

Mr. Gravel reported that the proposed improvements were presented at a neighborhood meeting on September 23, 2019. He provided the Council with the following current project schedule:

- Council Approves Plans October 7, 2019
- Receive Permits +/- October 11, 2019
- Receive Bids October 29 or November 11, 2019
- Council Considers Bids November 4 or November 18, 2019
- Construction November 2109 through June 2020

Mr. Gravel stated that the current estimated construction cost is \$460,000 (up +/- 5 % since the grant application estimate). He stated that at this time, staff requests that the Council formally approve the plans and specifications, authorize advertisement for bids and order the improvements.

Mr. Allan, Stantec, provided the Council and residents a brief presentation of the project outlining the history, design options and elements, project impacts and the schedule.

Mayor Nelson stated that a change is needed to help with the residents who experience the flooding of their homes and basements and this project will help with many of their concerns.

Councilmember Dircks stated that she liked the plan and it was nicely done. She inquired on the maintenance schedule for the Public Works Department to clean out the baffle. Mr. Gravel explained that once the funding is accepted, a maintenance plan will be developed along with a schedule of inspections and collection/clean out. He stated that the infiltration trench will be cleaned out every five years. He explained that there will be metal grates over the openings and if there were a need to clean up a major chemical spill, sandbags would be used. He also noted that the pipes could be sealed with the use of large equipment.



Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff inquired as to how much sediment will be removed.

Mr. Gravel stated that sediment will be removed four feet from the current level.

Councilmember Goodboe-Bisschoff inquired if a smaller pipe could be used, such as an 18" pipe, instead of the proposed 42" pipe. Mr. Gravel stated that the pipe size has been reviewed and the 42" pipe is the smallest that can be used to work below the flood level.

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND ORDER THE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE GARFIELD POND PROJECT. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.**

D. Approve Appointment of Recreation Program Supervisor Positions

Parks and Recreation Director Okey reported that Council gave prior approval to advertise and interview candidates for the Program Supervisor Position being vacated by herself and John Angell. She reported that 44 applications were received and scored. She stated that the top 12 ranking candidates were invited for interviews which were conducted on September 26 and 27, 2019. She stated that the interview panel consisted of City Administrator Buchholtz, Parks and Recreation Director Okey, Parks and Recreation Commissioner member Harlan and former Parks and Recreation Director Rygwall.

Ms. Okey reported that although all the interviewees were well qualified for the position, the panel felt two candidates rose to the top. She reported that the panel recommends to Council to extend an employment offer to Jessica Abt and Wesley Goldberg.

Ms. Okey reported that Ms. Abt holds a Master Degree in Student Development and a Bachelor's Degree in Leadership and Communication and has extensive programming experience with travel planning and programming. She stated that Ms. Abt's enthusiasm, knowledge and organizational skills will greatly benefit the citizens of Spring Lake Park.

Ms. Okey reported that Mr. Goldberg holds a Master Degree in Sports Management and a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Science – Health Fitness with experience in sports scheduling, activities and special events. She stated that Mr. Goldberg's passion for recreation and fitness, along with his knowledge in sports will provide valuable contributions to the citizens of Spring Lake Park.

Ms. Okey stated that she recommends both positions begin at the starting salary on the compensation scale (\$24.32/hour) and after successful completion of the six-month probationary period, then would move up to step one. She reported that it is with confidence she requests permission to extend a formal employment offer to Ms. Abt and Mr. Goldberg to fill the positions of Recreation Program Supervisor at the starting salary on the compensation scale with a hire date on Monday, October 21, 2019.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that as a member of the interview panel, a strong pool of candidates was presented that included individuals with a lot of experience.

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF JESSICA ABT AND WESLEY GOLDBERG TO RECREATION PROGRAM SUPERVISOR POSITIONS WITH THE STARTING SALARY OF \$24.32 PER HOUR. ROLL CALL VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.**

12. Engineer's Report -None13. Attorney's Report

Attorney Thames reported that a Cell Tower lease agreement will be presented soon to Council for their approval.

14. ReportsA. Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Report

Mayor Nelson provided a recap of the events of the summer months. He reported that the events were successful and the Monday night pork chop dinner continues to be very busy. He reminded the residents that they are welcome to volunteer with the committee.

15. OtherA. Administrator Reports

Administrator Buchholtz reported that the Parks and Recreation office is currently being renovated to improve office space and work flow amongst the new employees joining the City.

Administrator Buchholtz reported that he attended a welcome lunch with the new City of Blaine City Manager and the Public Hearing for the Conduit Bond Issue for Excell Academy Charter School will be held at the next Council meeting on Monday, October 21, 2019.

B. Closed Session – Labor Negotiations Strategies

MOTION MADE BY MAYOR NELSON TO CLOSE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Nelson recessed the regular Council meeting at 8:40 PM.

Mayor Nelson opened the regular Council meeting at 9:16 PM.

Attorney Thames reported that the City Council gave direction to staff to proceed with discussions for Labor Negotiations.

14. Adjourn

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WENDLING TO ADJOURN. VOICE VOTE: ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 P.M.

Attest:

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Robert Nelson, Mayor

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Daniel R. Buchholtz, Administrator, Clerk/Treasurer