



City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Tuesday, September 12, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Work Session

6:00 PM - REGULAR AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pownell called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM

Present: 7 - Council Member Greg Colby, Council Member David DeLong, Council Member Suzie Nakasian, Council Member Brad Ness, Council Member Jessica Peterson White, Council Member Erica Zweifel, and Mayor Rhonda Pownell

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [17-989](#) Presentation by Northfield Human Rights Commission on Recommendation for City to Pursue Municipal Identification.

City Administrator Martig introduced this item. Human Rights Commission representatives Mar Valdecantos, Vice Chair of the Human Rights Commission and Neighbors United, Siri Hoff, Keara Cooney, and Angelique Martina Dietz, gave a presentation regarding Municipal I.D.. Valdecantos gave a background, discussed the use and purpose, and described what the I.D. card is and is not. Youth representatives Cooney and Hoff discussed new I.D. options that would make Northfield a national leader, such as ability of applicants to choose their listed gender, with a third option beyond male or female, as well as ability to list a preferred name in addition to their legal name. Martina Dietz noted the program would be 100% voluntary, would not replace a driver's license or voter I.D. card, and could only be issued to residents of the City of Northfield. Valdecantos and Martina Dietz shared personal accounts regarding not having necessary identification. Presenters answered questions posed by Council.

Mayor Pownell called a recess at 7:13 PM. Meeting reconvened at 7:17 PM.

2. [17-990](#) Discussion of preliminary design options Division Street and Seventh Street Reconstruction; Washington Street Mill and Overlay.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Bennett introduced this item. Hannah Pritchert with Toole Design Group gave a presentation on concept designs for both the Division and Seventh Street Reconstruction Project and the Washington Street Mill and Overlay Project. Pritchert and Bennett answered questions posed by Council.

3. [17-991](#) Review and Discussion of Preliminary Tax Levy and Budget for 2018

City Administrator Martig introduced this item. Martig presented Budget scenarios, tax capacity, and various budget options. Chief Nelson spoke regarding budgeting for police body cameras. Nelson answered questions posed by Council.

A motion was made by Council Member Peterson White, seconded by Council Member Colby, to extend the meeting by 15 minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - C. Colby, C. Ness, C. Peterson White, and Mayor Pownell

No: 3 - C. DeLong, C. Nakasian, and C. Zweifel

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Nakasian, seconded by Council Member Ness, to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 PM. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - C. Colby, C. DeLong, C. Nakasian, C. Ness, C. Peterson White, C. Zweifel, and Mayor Pownell