



City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Work Session

6:00 PM - REGULAR AGENDA CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pownell called the meeting to start at 6:01 PM

Present- 5- Council Member David DeLong, Council Member Clarice Grabau, Council Member Brad Ness, Council Member Erica Zweifel, and Mayor Pownell

Absent- 2- Council Member Suzie Nakasian and Council Member Jessica Peterson White.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [19-913](#) Presentation of the City of Northfield Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Year Ended December 31, 2018.

Finance Director Angelstad introduced Tom Olinger, CPA and Government Services Partner of Abdo, Eick & Meyers, LLP. Olinger presented the draft of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the year ended December 31, 2018. City Administrator Martig and Olinger answered questions posed by Council.

2. [19-914](#) Presentation of Alternative Options for Special Assessment Street Bonding and Revenue Including Possible Gas and Electric Franchise Fees.

City Administrator Martig briefly spoke regarding the intent and time line and introduced Doug Green of Bakertilly (formally Springsted Incorporated). Green presented on franchise fees as an alternative revenue source as staff are looking into alternatives to using the Street Special Assessment bonds for street reconstruction projects. Green outlined special assessments advantages and disadvantages. Green outlined bonding options. Green answered questions posed by Council.

3. [19-915](#) Northfield Planned Walking and Bicycling Network Prioritization.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Bennett presented the planned walking and bicycling network prioritization. Bennett discussed the scoring and planning as they move forward. Bennett outlined the categories and associated maps for prioritizing. Bennett answered questions posed by Council. Council made a few recommendations for staff to look into and bring back to Council.

4. [19-916](#) Pre-budget Planning and Discussion of Initial Goals or Research of the Council for 2020-2021 Budget.

City Administrator Martig discussed Pre-budget Planning and discussion of initial goals

of the Council for 2020-2021 Budget. Martig mentioned the departments' are currently working on priorities and requests tied to the budget. Martig mentioned this is an open invitation to provide feedback and mentioned staff will be engaging the public through POLCO using 6 questions related to the budget. Martig mentioned the timeline as the budget process is under way and the upcoming work sessions discussing this topic. Staff will be adding to the list and welcomes additional ideas to be e-mailed to Mr. Martig.

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Meeting ended at 8:05 PM