

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
MARCH 19, 2024
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: *Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Work Session Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for March 19, 2024 to order at 5:32 PM*

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Council members Lisa Iverson, Linda Nanko Yeager, Dennis Schilling, Claire Luger, and Brett Ohnstad

Also Present: Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Fred Weck, City Building Official/Zoning Administrator, Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator, Mark Erichson, City Engineer (WSB)

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

Mayor Iverson determined that a Quorum was present.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Highway 8 Reconstruction Project

Joe Triplett, Chisago County Engineer/Public Works Director, provided an overview on the status of the Highway 8 reconstruction project. Mr. Triplett stated that the project continued to move forward and that he was attending the council meeting to answer any questions from the City Council. The main feature that was identified was an underpass area on Hwy 8 near Health Ave.

Council member Nanko Yeager inquired about potential public safety and maintenance concerns regarding the underpass portion of the project. Administrator Linwood stated that staff discussed the underpass and had concerns about long term maintenance costs that would be the city's responsibility, public safety issues with the tunnel, the potential of an attractive nuisance and what areas it would serve.

Mayor Iverson asked where the additional funds required for this portion of the project would come from. Mr. Triplett stated that these would be project costs. Mayor Iverson also asked about the zoning classification of the surrounding area. Zoning Administrator Weck stated that it was zoned for commercial development.

2. CSAH 22 Project Update

Mr. Triplett reviewed the different designs that had been proposed for the CSAH 22 project and stated that many designs were still being reviewed at the county level.

Mayor Iverson requested information on how existing businesses would be accessed in each of the proposed designs. City Engineer Erichson informed the Council that access to existing businesses would be through new roads and potential backside entrances.

Mr. Triplett reviewed four additional proposed designs which focused on local business access, safety, and increased mobility in the project area.

Council member Nanko Yeager asked if the same design would be implemented on the east side of the road once the west project was completed. Mr. Triplett stated that he could not speak to this as he was on the west project team and that portion is MNDOT review.

3. Water Distribution Discussion

City Engineer Erichson stated that this meeting would likely be held annually moving forward to keep the Council up-to-date on the City's water distribution statistics. Mr. Erichson reviewed radium levels and plans for the future. Mr. Erichson shared that no immediate action was required. Mr. Erichson added that this item was placed on the agenda to keep the City Council informed and that he would continue to meet with the Department of Health to monitor the City's water distribution needs.

Council member Nanko Yeager asked if a regional water treatment plant was still being considered. Mr. Erichson stated that it was a possibility but that it was not actively being discussed.

Mayor Iverson thanked staff for preparing all of the shared materials and for being proactive in planning ahead.

MAYOR IVERSON ADJOURNED THE MARCH 19, 2024 WORK SESSION AT 6:47 PM.