

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
MAY 13, 2020
6:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Work Session Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for May 13, 2020 to order at 6:00 PM

CALL OF ROLL:

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

ABSENT: Joe Zerwas

Also Present: Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Mark Erichson-WSB, Kelly Dumais, Assistant City Administrator, and Chuck Almhjeld, Public Works Superintendent

Mayor Iverson – Read a statement explaining that the Council is meeting via teleconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. She explained that tonight’s meeting would be held according to State Statute 13D.021, will be live streamed on the City’s YouTube page, and will be recorded as part of the public record on the City’s website.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

2020 PROJECTS AND STREET CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

City Administrator Linwood – explained staff is looking for direction and feedback from the Council on the proposed 2020 projects and Street Capital Improvement Program. He reviewed highlights of the proposed projects: Moxness Subdivision; 2020 Lift Station Upgrade; Midco Building; Railroad Park Development-Spur; Roers Project on the Bingham Property; 2020 Water Tower; Preserve at Comfort Lake; Aadland Development; and Gopher Mini Storage. He gave an overview of the plans for the 2020 Street Improvement Projects.

City Engineer Erichson - Gave an overview of the streets project lists for the upcoming street projects, including the 2020 Street Project and East Viking Boulevard Sewer Project – 2021/Highway 61.

The Council discussed the possibility of assessments for the East Viking Boulevard Sewer Project.

City Administrator Linwood – Gave a general overview of the Street Capital Improvement Program and asked City Engineer Erichson to explain the different components they have identified for other different projects not included in the current Street CIP.

City Engineer Erichson – Reviewed the roadways that WSB feels need improvement. He noted that WSB had not yet prioritized them.

The Council reviewed the photos and videos from the virtual street tour showing the condition of the roadways.

City Administrator Linwood – Asked the Council about the possibility of revising the assessment policy for some of the different types of projects, such as bituminous overlays.

The Council discussed the possibility of revising the current assessment policy.

City Engineer Erichson – Stated that he can bring back with some specific financial details to a future work session about what the impact would be for assessment a mill and overlay project.

The Council discussed their preferences for the prioritization of the roadway projects.

City Engineer Erichson – Stated that Council’s assessment of the priorities seems to be aligning with the staff’s opinion, but noted that he will bring back specific recommendations based on the available funding, to a future meeting. He noted that there are some roadways that the City should address before they deteriorate further and become a full reconstruction project.

Public Works Director Almhjeld – Gave an overview of his plans for maintenance plans for annual work around the City: seal coating; crack sealing; street striping; and painting of crosswalks.

Assistant City Administrator Dumais - Explained details of a survey she had put together for residents to get feedback on street conditions; walkability; safety; street lighting; sidewalks; and funding.

The Council discussed details of the survey and gave feedback on what was included.

Mayor Iverson – Asked if there was way to take a look and determine if there are other streets in the City that could be looked at to improve their walkability. She asked how hard it would be to see which areas of the City there may be ways to increase walkability.

City Engineer Erichson – Stated that staff can certainly take a very high level look at this information by the next work session.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked that the Council also take into consideration and discuss other solutions for creating walkability, at a future meeting. She stated that she would like to consider things that are outside of an engineering solution, such as lower a speed limit.

MAYOR IVERSON ADJOURNED THE MAY 13, 2020 “WORK SESSION MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AT 7:40 PM.