

City Council Regular Business Meeting
Monday, July 10, 2023 - 6:30 p.m.
Bloomington Civic Plaza - Council Chambers
1800 W. Old Shakopee Road
Bloomington, MN 55431

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Busse called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and noted attendance.

All votes taken by voice vote.

Present: Mayor Tim Busse and Councilmembers Jenna Carter, Chao Moua, Dwayne Lowman, Shawn Nelson, and Lona Dallessandro.

Absent: Councilmember Patrick Martin

Staff present: City Manager Jamie Verbrugge, Assistant City Manager Mike Sable, City Attorney Melissa Manderschied, Council Secretary Matt Brillhart, and other staff.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Busse led the audience in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mayor Busse, seconded by Lowman to approve the agenda as listed.
Motion carried 6-0.

2. INTRODUCTORY

2.1 Introduction of New Employees

Community Services Director Diann Kirby introduced new City employees: Jade Burt, Community Health Supervisor
Eric Holthaus, Community Outreach and Engagement Division (COED) Manager

2.2 Bloomington Forward Update

In May 2023, Bloomington received legislative authorization to present voters with a referendum to fund \$155 million in capital amenities improvements via a half-percent (0.5%) local sales tax. In June, the City of Bloomington launched a website – BloomingtonForward.org – to inform residents about a plan to invest in three major regionally significant capital projects that support health, wellness, athletics and recreation in the community:

- Construction of a Community Health and Wellness Center
- Renovations to the Bloomington Ice Garden
- Renewal of Moir/Central Park and Nine Mile Creek Corridor

Community Services Director Diann Kirby introduced Todd Rapp and Todd Stone with Rapp Strategies, Inc. who are assisting the City with the public awareness efforts for the Bloomington Forward initiative. They presented an overview of the activities planned to educate and inform the community about the Bloomington Forward projects.

2.3 Mission Moment - Introduction to Racial Equity Action Teams

Staff members representing various Racial Equity Action Teams presented updates on their work to the City Council.

3. CONSENT BUSINESS

3.1 Resolution for Budget Adjustment to Transfer HRA and Port Funds to the City Facilities Fund

Motion by Lowman, seconded by Dallessandro to approve the budget adjustment resolution, Resolution No. 2023-108 to accept \$135,000 from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority and \$165,000 from the Port Authority to the City Facilities Fund for office space needs in Community Development. Motion carried 6-0.

3.2 Approval of First Amendment to Agreement with Building Restoration Corporation

Motion by Dallessandro, seconded by Lowman to approve First Amendment to the Agreement with Building Restoration Corporation for façade services at the Water Treatment Plant to increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$17,510 for a total contract not-to-exceed amount of \$312,194. Motion carried 6-0.

- 5.1 Resolution Initiating Rezoning of Lyndale Ave. Properties from B-2 to B-4** Planner Tom Ramler-Olson presented an update on the rezoning process for certain parcels in the Lyndale Avenue Corridor, proposed to be rezoned from B-2 to B-4 as a key implementation strategy of the Lyndale Avenue Suburban Retrofit Plan.
- Councilmember Lowman inquired if it would be preferable to craft a new zoning district vs. rezoning these parcels to B-4. Planning Manager Glen Markegard responded that staff felt the B-4 district was a good fit for these properties, in keeping with the goals of the Lyndale Avenue Retrofit Plan.
- Motion made by Dallessandro, seconded by Carter, in Case #PL2023-74, to adopt Resolution 2023-111 initiating rezoning of the parcels included in the project study area per the recommendations of the Lyndale Avenue Suburban Retrofit Plan.
Motion carried 6-0.
- 5.2 Continental Ballet Update and Grant Request** *This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting and was removed from the agenda.*
- 5.3 City Council Policy/Issue Updates** Mayor Busse summarized the City Council Listening Session held at 5:45 p.m. *Secretary's note: see July 10, 2023 Listening Session minutes for full summary.*
- Councilmember Dallessandro inquired when there would be an updated University of Minnesota Extension study looking at local sales tax collection data, noting we had pre-pandemic figures from 2019 and figures during the pandemic, but nothing more recent. City Manager Verbrugge noted that there was a lag in the State Dept. of Revenue providing 2022 data to the University. Once they transmit the data, it will likely take a few weeks for the Extension office to produce an updated report.
- Councilmember Moua suggested providing bus shelters at stops around Civic Plaza. Staff will look into ridership numbers and bus shelter costs.
- 6. ADJOURNMENT** Motion by Moua, seconded by Carter to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0.
Mayor Busse adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Matt Brillhart
Council Secretary