

# City Council/Manager

October 13, 2020 – 6:30 pm

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Physical Development

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### Golden Valley Council/Manager Meeting October 13, 2020

#### Agenda Item

1. Pavement Management Policy

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#### Summary

In November of 2019, the Pavement Management Policy was amended to construct local streets to a 28-foot wide standard. The previous standard was 26-foot wide dating back to approximately 2010. The 2020 (now 2021) Pavement Management Program (PMP) project was designed for 28-foot wide streets based on the policy amendment with construction originally scheduled for the summer of 2020. That project was delayed in April due to concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic. At the September Council/Manager meeting, the Council expressed interest in revisiting the policy regarding street widths prior to rebidding the 2020 (now 2021) PMP project.

Staff has outlined the benefits of 26-foot wide streets as well as feedback heard from residents in November of 2019 requesting 28-foot wide streets. This information is included on the City’s website and is also summarized below:

This table summarizes the differences in costs between the 26- and 28-foot-wide streets. Beginning with the 2020 PMP, assessments are based on actual bids rather than projected. Assessments are limited to street improvement costs; expenses for utility improvements are funded from the Stormwater and Sewer & Water enterprise funds.

|                                | Spring 2019 Projection | 2020 PMP Low Bid        | 2020 PMP Average Bid    |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>26’ Street Project Cost</b> | \$ 3,350,000           | \$ 3,355,481 (estimate) | \$ 3,779,347 (estimate) |
| <b>26’ Assessment*</b>         | \$ 7,500               | \$ 8,285 (estimate)     | \$ 9,332 (estimate)     |
| <b>28’ Street Project Cost</b> | NA                     | \$ 3,501,481            | \$ 4,013,347            |
| <b>28’ Assessment*</b>         | NA                     | \$8,646                 | \$ 9,909                |

\*\$30 Admin fee not included in assessments

- **Cost savings** – A reduced street width results in construction cost savings because less material and labor is needed to construct the project. These materials include pipe lengths, base material, and pavement materials. There are also long-term cost savings for plowing and pavement maintenance, such as periodic sealing and mill and overlay projects.
- **Traffic Calming** – Studies show that narrower streets result in drivers traveling at slower speeds, which feels safer to pedestrians and other multimodal transportation users.
- **Environmental/Water Quality Impact** – By reducing the street width, a larger green space is created to help collect stormwater. This minimizes the amount of runoff and the pollutants entering our wetlands, lakes, and streams.
- **Landscape Impacts** – Narrower streets reduce the construction impact to trees, shrubs, retaining walls, other landscaping or irrigation systems located near the existing street.

The following comments and concerns were expressed by residents about narrower streets at the November 19, 2019 City Council meeting where the street width policy was considered:

- Walking and biking on a narrower street where sidewalks do not exist would be more difficult.
- Snow storage would further narrow the streets.
- Other cities have a standard of 28-foot-wide streets.
- Wider streets eliminate the need to consider parking restrictions on one side of the street.
- Streets are currently very wide (29-33 feet), and a 26-foot-wide street would be a big change to the neighborhood.

Following the Council's discussion at the Council/Manager meeting in September, staff sent letters to residents in the remaining four PMP project areas informing them of the renewed street width discussion, and offering a number of ways to learn more about the topic and provide comments. Comments received since the letter was sent have been collected and summarized in the attached Community Input Report.

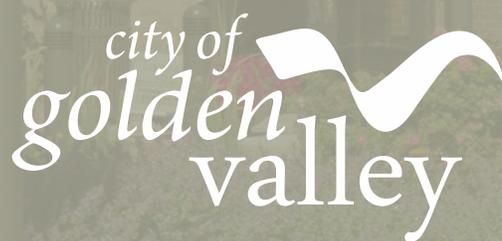
### **Financial Or Budget Considerations**

Increasing street width may increase project costs by an estimated \$150,000 to \$235,000 for the 2020 (now 2021) PMP. Minnesota State Statute 429 requires assessments to make up a minimum of 20% of project costs. Adding these additional street width costs to the project would increase assessments per parcel by approximately \$360 to \$580 to meet the 20% requirement, based on recent bid data.

### **Supporting Documents**

- Community Input Report (42 pages)

# **Pavement Management Plan Street Width Policy COMMUNITY INPUT REPORT**



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# Overview

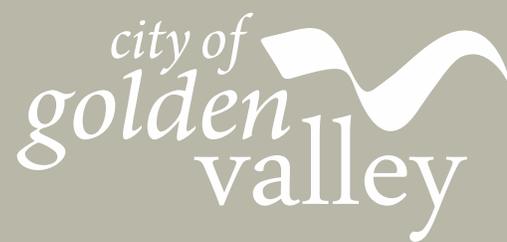
Soliciting input from residents living in the upcoming Pavement Management Plan (PMP) project areas was a major component of the Golden Valley City Council revisiting the PMP street width policy.

On Sept 18, 2020 City staff mailed a letter to all properties adjacent to a scheduled PMP reconstruction over the next four years. The letter included background information on the Council's initial decision to increase the standard residential street width from 26 feet to 28 feet and why the Council is revisiting the discussion now. To read the full letter see Appendix A.

The letter also included information on how residents can share feedback on the issue. See Appendix B for feedback submitted through an online comment box. See Appendix C for feedback submitted via email.

# **APPENDIX A**

## **Letter To PMP Adjacent Properties**





7800 Golden Valley Road  
Golden Valley, MN 55427

September 18, 2020

### Pavement Management Program – Street Width Discussion

Dear Resident/Property Owner

As you may be aware, over the next four years the City of Golden Valley is considering reconstruction of the street adjacent to your property as part of the City's Pavement Management Program (PMP). The schedule to complete the street reconstruction is shown on the attached map. Last fall, questions regarding the width of the newly constructed streets spurred a larger discussion by the City Council, which resulted in the City amending its policy and increasing its standard residential street width from 26 feet to 28 feet.

Due to feedback from residents about this policy change over the past months, the City Council will again discuss the standard residential street width policy at its Council/Manager meeting **Tuesday, Oct 13, 2020 at 6:30 pm**. At this meeting, the policy, along with estimated costs and assessments, will be presented. For more information on the PMP, please visit the City's PMP webpage at [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp), call me at 763-593-8030, or email me at [joliver@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:joliver@goldenvalleymn.gov).

Please note that no actions are taken and no public comment is received at Council/Manager meetings. However, your input on this topic is requested and may be provided in any of the following ways:

- Go to [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/streets/pmp) or to submit comments electronically the City's website.
- Email comments to [engineeringdept@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:engineeringdept@goldenvalleymn.gov) and/or City Councilmembers, whose email addresses can be found at [www.goldenvalleymn.gov/council/members.php](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov/council/members.php)
- Written comments may be placed in the Utility Payment Drop Box at the front door of City Hall or mailed to:  
City of Golden Valley  
Attn: Sue Schwalbe  
7800 Golden Valley Road  
Golden Valley, MN 55427

All comments received by Oct 8, 2020 will be included in the Council/Manager meeting packet, which will be available online at [www.goldenvalleymn.gov](http://www.goldenvalleymn.gov) the afternoon of Friday Oct 9. Should you have any questions or difficulties submitting comments, please contact me at 763-593-8030 for assistance.

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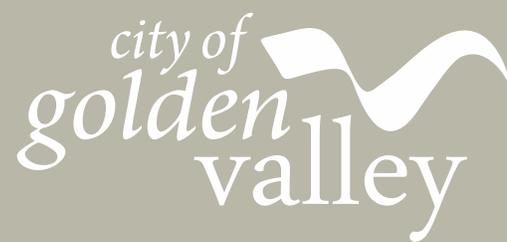
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Oliver".

Jeff Oliver, PE, City Engineer

# **APPENDIX B**

## **Online Comment Box Feedback**



### Submitted Responses (printed verbatim)

I'm a 4 year resident of Orkla Drive and am in support of the 26' street width. There's very little traffic on our street and very few people park on the street for any significant amount of time. As a result, I don't not feel that a 26' wide street will impact our quality of life at all. The cost savings and positive environmental impact outweigh any potential concerns for me. Thank you. -Ellen Johnson

I wish to provide my written support to establish a 28' road width for all remaining PMP's, including the one that impacts my neighborhood in 2023 based on the original city council vote on the topic in November of 2019. I understand this will result in a higher tax assessment for me, and my neighbors.

We live on Duluth Street west of Winnetka, and we love our wide street. Driving south down Valders near Plymouth Avenue, their miserably narrow street is always so clogged up with cars parked on either side, and I would hate to live there. It looks like a junkyard or like someone is constantly having a party and is hard to even drive through some days without worrying about someone jumping out into the road, opening a door into the road, or just having huge pickup trucks parked on both sides and not being able to squeeze through (and we have a small car!). If we wanted to live in a crowded-feeling, claustrophobic city, we wouldn't have chosen to live where we do.

Such a huge change to our street would really hurt our neighborhood dynamic. Our street is where neighbors meet and walk, and there's never any worry about parking or getting hit by a car because there's plenty of space.

If our wide concrete street turned into a narrow, cheap asphalt one, we'd be devastated and I know the character of our neighborhood we love so much would be damaged. The condition of the street itself is good, too -- I don't know why we'd spend money replacing it when it's absolutely fine.

28' - HONOR IT!

Please keep the streets at 28'. This is what the people want and what Golden Valley should have.

-April Nilsen 22 year GV resident

Please do the will of the people! I received my assessment last year for 28' and was ready to pay it in advance. I was worried when it was postponed due to COVID. I was worried that some tomfoolery would occur to reduce the streets to 26'.

PLEASE KEEP THE STREETS AT 28'

Aquila, Xylon, 23rd, etc.

It sounds to me like we have a bunch of Donald Trumps on the city council that we cannot trust. They vote and say one thing and then turn around and do the opposite. 28 feet is what was voted on and passed. Bob Wollak

With regard to the PMP planned for my neighborhood 2022, I'd like my street to remain 29 feet wide. I would not like it to be any narrower than 28 feet, if it must be narrowed at all.

First, I would like to thank all involved for reaching out to residents for comments. As a resident who will be directly impacted by the upcoming PMP, I am excited about the prospect finally having curbs and updated streets. While I applaud the City Council exercising fiscal responsibility, I am strongly opposed to reverting back to the 26 foot width streets. From a purely financial standpoint, I should be someone pushing strongly for just the opposite. I am 67 years old and opted to delay my retirement, in part, recognizing the upcoming assessment. Had cost alone been the driving factor in my decisions, I would feel differently. However, after seeing the impact on neighborhoods that have already undergone reconstruction, I believe that narrowing street widths as a cost saving mechanism is short sighted and wrong.

Having spent the bulk of my working life as a vendor for governmental entities such as the State of MN, Metropolitan Airports Commission, MN School Board Association and the League of MN Cities; I am keenly familiar with the competitive bidding statutes. While staff may provide you with projections, the simple truth of the matter is that the cost differential is at best, an educated guess. As someone that participated in the bid process, there are a multitude of factors that affect the amount of a bid. While I am not discounting the staff's work on cost projections, nevertheless it is somewhat misleading to suggest that higher bid amounts are solely related to street width. I would only ask to take this into consideration.

The benefits of traffic calming is interesting. I totally agree that narrow streets slows traffic flow. The issue for me is if that benefit is 1) necessary and 2) desirable. I also believe that this is the issue that you have heard most about from people in the neighborhood. I've lived in my home for 29 years. I can't recall an auto accident ever occurring in the neighborhood. As with many neighborhoods, there are numerous stop signs, hills and curves all of which slow down traffic. I don't see that disrupting the present traffic flow further is of benefit. What I do know is an extra foot or two can make a life altering difference for pedestrians or bikers. If you are not familiar with our neighborhood, I suggest that you drive around and envision narrower streets. Take a look at the street I live on (Zealand Ave.) There is a pronounced curve which can be hazardous even now if a car or delivery truck is parked in the apex. Narrowing will only compound that issue.

This is a cost/benefit decision that you need to make based on the fact that we will live with the decision for the next 40-50 years. Again, I favor the wider streets despite that fact that odds are that I will not be around long enough to enjoy the full benefit of the project. To me, the safety factor far exceeds the cost factor, particularly when factoring the length of time between these projects.

Thank you for allowing me to be heard.

Jeff Wanat

We have lived at 8425 Winnetka Hts. Drive since 1989 (2022 PMP area). As twice-a-day-dog walkers, we are strongly against narrowing the streets in our neighborhood, particularly because of the increased narrowness of the streets during winter because of plowing. We are willing to accept increased costs of the PMP project that will happen if we keep the streets at their current width, or at the compromise width of 28 feet.

Please listen and respond positively to all of the neighbors who are opposed to decreasing the width of our Golden Valley, sidewalk-less streets.

Martha Harris and Richard Robinson

I am very disappointed we are even having this discussion. The Council voted 4-1 last fall for the remaining streets of the PMP to be 28 feet wide. Why are we now having a re-do?

I understand that these are difficult economic times, but the Council approved an increase in their budget. We have lived at our home for over 40 years and have paid taxes all those years for others to have the streets they want. Now, when it is almost our turn, you want to narrow the streets to save a little money?

There are other budget items that can be cut. I walk on Duluth Street almost every day. When I see someone in their yard, I ask them about the proposed sidewalks.

Not one person I have talked to is in favor of the sidewalks. We have lots of people who walk in our neighborhood. We have residents with small children, people who are walking dogs, and some of us who are walking for exercise. We have walked near Medley Park where the streets are narrow. Walking there when cars are parked on both sides of the street and having cars come at you and behind you is scary!

I was so impressed when council members listened to neighborhood concerns and voted accordingly. Please don't betray the trust of your constituents.

Barbara A. Wollak

Living in one of the last remaining neighborhoods that have yet to be repaved in Golden Valley's PMP, and seeing how the 26' streets recently put in the community (near Medley Park and eastward) over the past few years and what that does to reduce the walkability and altering the feel of the neighborhood, I am a strong proponent of keeping the remaining streets at their current width of 28 feet, and not continuing the trend of reduction in street widths to 26 feet.

I'm an avid cyclist, and also walk the neighborhood quite frequently. With the reduced widths of the streets just west of me, I feel much less safe, and have more angst when it comes to interaction between pedestrians and motorists in those areas than in the past when they were 28 feet wide.

The marginal cost differential for 26 foot widths is not worth the minor savings it would afford, as the "feel" of the neighborhood is substantially affected.

Regards

I believe the city should be moving aggressively towards reducing its infrastructure debt burden. I also think there would be benefit to the residents to provide some analysis to truly understand the full life cycle costs of different options. For example, the cost of a 24 foot road and sidewalk, 26 foot with a sidewalk, 28 foot without a sidewalk. Including not only the PMP cost but an estimate of the amortized maintenance cost. Obviously these are not simple to calculate without bids, but it seems to me that paying for a wide road for pedestrian benefits may not net out over a smaller road with a sidewalk. As a parent of young children, a sidewalk is infinitely safer and more enjoyable to use with my family than a wide road.

My home is in the 2023 PMP area. I was involved with our neighborhood last year in discussions and meetings with the City Council, and was elated last year when the Council voted to set the street width at 28 feet. We moved to Golden Valley 24 years ago, and have enjoyed many things in this community, including the wide and often winding streets. The streets are busy in the summer with walkers with or without pets, families with children, often children on their own riding bikes and scooters, and many adult bikers. It is very important to me that the City maintains wide, safe streets. We would prefer that the existing widths are maintained and not reduced at all, but think the new policy of 28 feet last year was a good settlement. Please keep the 28 foot policy and don't reduce our streets again.

I am in favor of retaining the 28 foot street width.

I live near a city park and a nature area. Consequently, there is significant pedestrian traffic on the streets in my neighborhood. I am concerned that a significant narrowing of the streets would make it more difficult to accommodate safely simultaneous pedestrian, bicycle, and automobile traffic and parked automobiles on the streets.

While I am sympathetic to the costs to homeowners during the Covid-19 pandemic, the current pandemic will pass eventually. Perhaps investigating financing options for homeowners would be helpful.

I continue to support the comments I provided last year. For the safety of everyone utilizing the streets (whether walking, driving, biking), the streets should remain as wide as possible.

Dear City Council,

As a resident and tax payer of the City of Golden Valley for more than 20 years I am concerned that the City is cutting corners in regards to public safety and sense of place with our street widths. Is it fair to provide wider streets for some of our community and smaller streets for others? The small amount of savings does not outweigh our concerns for safety and aesthetics (sense of place). An average car is over 7 feet from mirror to mirror and 8 feet mirror to mirror for a truck. We have a lot of activity on our roads especially because we have no sidewalks. People walking with pets and kids playing in the streets. A 26' wide street would reduce sightlines and make it less safe for people to see someone coming into the street. A truck parking on both sides of the street would give less than 10 feet for pedestrians and cars to share the road. Why do some communities get safer streets than others? Please make all our streets 29 feet at a minimum.

Best regards

Jeffrey W. Ankeny

Dear City Council Member(s),

We are contacting you in regards to the Pavement Management Program - Street Width Discussion.

Our names are Andrew and Kimberly Sorensen, and we have lived at 2365 Xylon Ave N since 2017 with our two daughters, who are 3 years and 10 months old.

We are really looking forward to having our streets repaved, as they are in dire need of repair (but appreciate the improved patches done this year - they really helped!).

We have seen the recently repaved streets near our home, and while they look great - we have some concerns for our family.

We love walking around our neighborhood with our kids, and currently feel very safe in the wider streets, even without sidewalks. On the narrower streets, it feels much less safe if there is a work truck, or city trucks doing repairs, etc as it limits the ability to pass with car traffic coming the other direction. We had a couple close encounters while our daughter was learning to ride her bike where it's hard to have good visuals. We have chosen to have our daughter learn to ride her bike on the crumbling wider streets instead of the beautiful new paved narrower streets because of the greater risk with passing traffic and parked cars.

We are thankful that you are collecting GV resident's input into this decision, and strongly prefer to maintain our lovely wide streets that help make our neighborhood so great!

Andrew & Kimberly Sorensen

I am writing in favor of 28 foot wide streets. Last year, when I had an email correspondence with RJ Kakach regarding the narrower streets, he said that if the city council approved a street width of 26 feet, then ALL streets would be reconstructed to that width. That was concerning to me as I live at the end of Duluth Street which is currently a 44 foot wide street. While I am not opposed to improvements and a narrowing of the street, I am opposed to a ridiculously narrow street - especially Duluth Street which is an artery for the smaller neighborhood streets and therefore sees higher traffic by cars, bicycles and pedestrians. I cannot imagine having our street be 26 feet wide. Our end of Duluth Street is frequently used as a parking lot for people using the General Mills nature area as well as for U-turns by delivery trucks, utility trucks, city trucks, people who are lost and general parking on both sides of the street. I understand that there is a plan to potentially create a cul-de-sac with the PMP, but it won't alleviate the hazard of cars and trucks constantly making U-turns in front of our house and the trail. A narrower street will make it more difficult to turn around, allow for parking and for drivers to be observant of the many users who come and go out of the nature area. Many days of the week there are cars parked on both sides of the street. With the bicycle and foot traffic that comes and goes out of the General Mills nature area, a 26 foot wide street will be a bottle neck as well as impeding safe access to our own driveways at times. I also walk and bike the neighborhood streets for exercise and think that 26 feet is too narrow. We had discussions over this issue last year with the council and our neighborhood made it clear that 28 foot wide streets were important to us. I urge you to reconsider making a blanket resolution to make ALL the streets 26 feet wide. Duluth Street should NOT be 26 feet wide for the reasons I stated. Feel free to contact me if you want to discuss any of my concerns.

I support the City policy increasing its standard residential street width from 26 feet to 28 feet, as I have concerns about the overall impact of narrowing my street more than absolutely necessary (see below).

1) While I am encouraged to hear studies show that narrower streets MAY result in slower speeds, because this section of Duluth street is straight uphill grade I am worried that drivers WILL NOT slow down but rather continue to "hit the gas" and speed up that hill to their next turn. That is, I have my doubts about a narrower street being equal to a safer street.

2) My other concern is about the impact on community. No matter what it seems clear that the 2022 PMP will result in the width of my street (Duluth St west of Winnetka) being narrowed significantly: essentially going from a 4-lane wide concrete street to just barely two-lanes wide. Many neighbors are accustomed to being able having on-street parking available on both sides of the street as currently such in no way restricts traffic flow.

I encourage the GV City Council to not amend the City policy on residential street standard again. But that rather you vote to reaffirm the decision to keep the streets at 28 feet in width.

Thank you.

We are advocating for the 2021 PMP to be completed in as cost-effective manner as possible. As a working family, we certainly have a vested interest in our own assessment being lower. And as tax payers, we do not see the value in the streets being set two feet wider when these funds could be allocated to other city services and infrastructure. We also question why the approximately five miles of streets in the remaining PMPs merit a greater width, and why they merit more tax dollars, than some other streets within Golden Valley. We believe the city has a fiduciary responsibility to complete this project in the least burdensome manner as possible, benefitting both home owners in the PMP and all Golden Valley tax payers.

During the pandemic, we, as many residents, have been home and enjoying the neighborhood on walks and bike rides. We can often go blocks without seeing a car pass or a car parked on the street, which leads us to question why wider streets are necessary. We believe it is important to consider the wide array of residents affected by the PMP assessment, the necessity of residents' requests contributing to increased amounts, and the financial impact of large assessments on all those impacted.

We are newer residents of Golden Valley, moving here two years ago. We were drawn to the community because of the many great amenities, the proximity to the Minneapolis/St Paul metro, the close neighborhood feel it provided, and the safe environment to raise our family. We are in a community and a home we love. All of these positive factors contribute to making the housing market in Golden Valley very desirable and very competitive, which has resulted in our family, and I assume many newer residents, paying a significant portion of household income to mortgage payments. In addition, the housing stock is older and our home does require repairs, which we continue to make to not only enhance our own home but also improve our neighborhood. We ask that the council do all they can to find ways to make the upcoming assessment as affordable as possible for working families and all tax payers of Golden Valley.

Thank you, Andrea & Al Lentini

When I go for walks I like that there is currently more room for cars/trucks so that they do not get too close to me or other pedestrians. I also appreciate having more room when driving and passing oncoming traffic. Shrinking our streets down to a 26-foot width is too narrow. If they cannot stay what they currently are, 29/33ft, then no less than 28ft. My driveway slopes down to the street and the street curves down a hill. If the street gets narrower, it will make it more difficult getting in and out of my driveway when cars or delivery vans are parked on the street. Also, winter is already challenging when snow is piled up on both sides of the street, so if it is made at least 3 feet narrower, it will be harder to get around. The streets being repaved will be this new width for decades (50 yrs?). I think we should make them no less than 28 feet.

I was informed, in the September 18, 2020 letter sent by the city, that you are considering modifying street widths during the reconstruction of streets in the area I am a resident of, and this impacts especially Zealand Ave N where my property is located.

Barring any compelling reason to reduce Zealand Ave N and other neighborhood street widths, I am asking you to keep our existing street widths. It is my understanding that the additional cost to maintain the existing street widths as opposed to reduced widths is insignificant, especially considering street lifetime, so this reason itself should not justify reduced widths. Maintaining current street widths offers multiple advantages, including pedestrian security as there are no sidewalks, and preserving the nice appeal of the area of Golden Valley where I live, which is one of the main reasons I chose to move there about seven years ago. To summarize this, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it".

I do NOT AGREE with narrowing our city streets. As mentioned in the comments that people have expressed previously ( Walking/biking, snow storage, parking restrictions and the big change to our neighborhoods) the council needs to also give consideration to the safety of your citizens. With the narrow streets emergency vehicles will have a harder time passing through the streets if vehicles are parked on the street. It would also be harder for other type of utility vehicle also. Or residents towing there personal trailers. Also think about snow blocking you view and cars inching out into the street to get a clear view on a narrower street.

I also believe narrow streets will effect our home values. Many of my new neighbors have comment that our wider streets was a factor in purchasing their residence.

As a city tax payer, I have paid for other areas of the city to have wider and or maintain the width of their street when it went through the PMP so why should that be taken away from me? I feel the City Council made a promise to us last fall and now they want us to go through this AGAIN and blame it on COVID 19. All citizens had the right to voice there opinion when this was discussed prior and we did a lot or work and everyone spent a lot of time on this issue and now you want to start over again.

PLEASE leave the streets as they are.

Thank you for the opportunity to weigh in on the proposed street width as part of the pavement management plan. We have lived in our Golden Valley home for more than 10 years and we recently made a significant investment in renovating our home as we plan to reside here for many years to come. Any changes or reductions in the width of our streets will impact us, as homeowners and residents, for decades. We request that the City Council continue with the plan approved last fall that keeps street widths to at least 28' to allow for space for walking, biking and safely navigating our neighborhoods. The additional time home this year as we navigate COVID has highlighted just how important these spaces are to our community.

Hello,

I have lived in Golden Valley for 4 years, I live on Westbend Rd. When I came to look at my now house with my relator, I distinctly remember during on Duluth St and recognizing how wide the streets are and I commented to my realtor how lovely that was. She added that not many cities have streets this wide. The wide streets allow for two cars to be parked parallel to one another but still allows for cars to drive in between even in the winter when the snow banks flow over a ft out onto the street. I implore you to find another city that has this feature. In the summer the wide streets allow for families to walk, bike, and do activities without worrying about stopping traffic.

The 29-30 ft streets are an awesome part of Golden Valley and one of the many reasons I love living here. I strongly encourage you to keep the streets at this width otherwise we become just like the other suburbs.

**\*\*\*Please Reconsider Narrowing The Streets\*\*\***

I write to you today asking that you stay with your original decision to maintain the wider streets for the upcoming street projects.

I was born in Golden Valley and have been raising my family here for almost 20 years. I can't think of another city that I would rather be in. We have a great neighborhood with wide streets for my family to go on walks and ride bikes. There are 9 kids that live nearby and they are always out riding bikes, skateboarding, rollerblading, and riding scooters in our streets, please reconsider narrowing them.

Please review your notes from the city council meeting from last year where 3 residents stood up and spoke passionately explaining why we need to keep the streets at the wider length.

Hello Golden Valley City Council,

It has come to our attention the city is reconsidering street dimensions from 28ft to 26ft.

We're fairly new to the neighborhood and have enjoyed walking the dog, running, and the general dynamic of the area with it's current dimensions. Post implementation of streets down the way have caused an abundance of caution while walking pets or taking visiting nephews to the park (weaving in and out of service trucks while avoiding oncoming traffic).

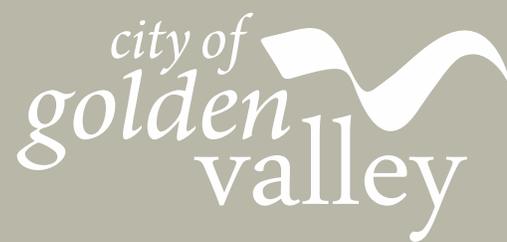
Short term savings is not a worthwhile venture for an infrastructure that could last decades.

Thank you for your consideration,

Kellie and Tony

# APPENDIX C

## Resident Emails



## Nelson, Carrie

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**From:** Kakach, RJ  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 9:51 AM  
**To:** Nelson, Carrie; Oliver, Jeff  
**Subject:** RE: Message from Naumann Dylan ([REDACTED])

Carrie,

Can you file this email as feedback on the street width discussion?

Here is a summary of my conversation with Abby below. She lives near 23<sup>rd</sup> and Valders and her street is scheduled for 2023 and 2024 (two years since she is on a corner lot). Her main concern was she was told the streets would be done by 2021 and now it will be 2023 and 2034. I told her the schedule shifted back 1 year due to COVID and she may have gotten some incorrect information about the 2021 date, as originally her streets were to be redone in 2022 and 2023, the pushed back 1 year to 2023 and 2024.

She also wanted to include that she is for the 28-foot streets and an increased assessment of ~\$300 – ~\$600 based on the website estimates is small in comparison to the overall assessment amount and therefore worth the extra money to build 28-foot streets.

Thanks!

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**From:** Nelson, Carrie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2020 8:45 AM  
**To:** Kakach, RJ <[RKakach@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:RKakach@goldenvalleymn.gov)>; Oliver, Jeff <[JOliver@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:JOliver@goldenvalleymn.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Message from Naumann Dylan ([REDACTED])

Good morning!

Can one of you call this resident back?

Thanks,

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**From:** Cisco Unity Connection Messaging System <[unityconnection@vm-mail.org](mailto:unityconnection@vm-mail.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020 4:09 PM  
**To:** [cnelson@vm-mail.org](mailto:cnelson@vm-mail.org)  
**Subject:** Message from Naumann Dylan ([REDACTED])

**From:** [City of Golden Valley](#)  
**To:** [Romano, Tomas](#)  
**Subject:** Email the City Manager's Department [#768]  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 6:35:53 PM

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Name \* Andrew Snope

Email \*



Comments \*

Hello Mayor Harris and Council Members,

I have seen some Facebook posts and now in the Post, the issue of the promised wide street. I just wanted to say that in today's world of its turmoil of issues, this whole uprising of "wide streeters" seems rather privileged.

While the width of their street is a neighborhood issue. The budget and tax impact is a citywide issue. Keep the 30,000 ft view.

Keep up the good work.

Thank you!

Andy

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** PMP Feedback  
**Date:** Monday, September 21, 2020 5:07:28 PM

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Good Afternoon;

I'd like to provide my written support for setting the road width standard to 28 feet for your remaining PMP's, including mine, which is scheduled for 2023. I understand this will result in a higher tax assessment for myself and neighbors, but feel the wider width is important to the overall neighborhood aesthetic as well as offering a safe space to walk, which so many of our neighbors (including myself) do on a daily basis.

Respectfully,

Jinnie Hall

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#); [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Subject:** Asphalt Curb vs. Cement Curb  
**Date:** Monday, September 21, 2020 10:05:18 PM  
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Hello,

I live at [REDACTED] (in the 2024 PMP blue zone).

The asphalt curb in front of my house has been repeatedly torn up by snow plows. Additionally, I have 3 sprinkler heads in the grass near the curb. A snow plow snapped off the top of one of the sprinkler heads, which needs to be replaced.

**I'd like to ask you to have a cement curb poured in rather than another asphalt curb.** My neighbors down the block, who have a cement curb in front of their houses, don't have a problem with their curbs being destroyed by snow plows.

Thank you for your kind consideration,

-Thomas Rydberg

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Oliver, Jeff](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Carrie](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 28 foot wide streets  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:13:19 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.gif](#)  
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**From:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:08 AM  
**To:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Cc:** Golden Valley Council Members ; Oliver, Jeff ; Nevinski, Marc  
**Subject:** RE: 28 foot wide streets  
Thanks Gillian.

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**From:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 9:17 AM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim <[TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: 28 foot wide streets  
FYI

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 8:08 AM  
**To:** [Rosenquist, Gillian](#)  
**Subject:** 28 foot wide streets  
Kitty and I are in favor! TWO VOTES  
Walter Enloe PhD  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#); [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** Proposal to Narrow Streets in Golden Valley  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 9:26:07 AM

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Dear Mayor Harris and Golden Valley City Council Members,

I am resending my email regarding the issue of the PMP, changing your decision once again, and narrowing our streets to 26 feet in width, as you continue with the street reconstruction plans. I would urge you to return to your earlier decision to keep the streets at 28 feet. As a long-time resident of Golden Valley, avid walker, and caring neighbor I am concerned about narrowing the streets for many reasons including the following:

- With the proposals to add more nearby high-density housing, what sense does it make for narrower streets in the area? The streets will be used more, not less, and will need to accommodate more drivers, bikers, and pedestrians as new residents live in and enjoy the community.
- I work and commute in the City of Mpls. where many of the streets are too narrow. Why would we aspire to adopt the same problems as a city where snowplows struggle, driving and parking is a constant challenge for both private and public use such as patronizing area businesses or civic/school events, and pedestrians and children are often casualties of being hit by vehicles trying to navigate narrow streets?
- We live on the Orkla/Wynnwood Road/Valders curving street. There are many, many families with young children on our block as well as other streets in Golden Valley. Narrowing the streets to the proposed width of 26 feet will ensure more risks for pedestrians and children who regularly walk, bus, bike, skateboard, and play in our neighborhoods. That extra width gives just a few more feet, visibility, and reaction time to avoid tragedies.
- We need to remember that Minnesota = WINTER for almost half of the year. Once the snow flies and builds up on the sides of our streets as it always does, the streets are even narrower and the risks even greater. Why add to that very practical problem?

The current street width of 28 feet strikes a good balance between allowing our residents to safely use and enjoy the streets, parking for area residents, and traffic for larger vehicles such as emergency vehicles, waste disposal trucks, snowplows, and school buses. Please keep our streets at 28 feet width and do not authorize them to be narrowed to 26 feet.

Best wishes, Jan Thurn

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#); [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Subject:** Street width - honor 28" width PMP  
**Date:** Monday, October 5, 2020 2:45:55 PM

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Here's my input - honor the 28' PMP as promised last year.

I participated in the meetings last year and emailed then, too. I really don't need to hear the last year's arguments for 26' regurgitated back to me again. It was more than a few of us residents that got involved, wrote emails and showed up expressing our wishes in favor of 28' widths over 26'. We said we would pay the additional PMP cost then. And what a slap - now you're disregarding us and on top of that, transferring that maintenance of extended city boulevard back onto us and calling it a tax savings.

As far as saving all of the taxpayers money by reversing your promise and going back to the 26' width and the argument that all residents need to be considered and not just a few of us, is very short-sighted. Our street PMPs are at the whiplash end of the sectors being updated these past 10 years. There have been many economic downturns that have led to project implementation delays. And then the tax levy to us affected folks go up with inflation. So it's not been an equitable consideration of *all the taxpayers* as it's costing us at the PMP end (the sectors still to be done) more each time there are delays and backsliding. So at least be fair to us by keeping your promise to pave the streets at 28' minimum width.

On the issue of safety, the idea that traffic is "calmed" is just that - an idea, a conjecture without genuine data to support the notion. This was discussed during last year's council meetings that many of us attended. At least one resident who's street was reduced to 26' spoke to the council and stated it had no effect on slowing traffic but was more dangerous to walk along. Also, many of our streets are curved, as mine is in an S curve off of Medicine Lake Road, and will be dangerously impacted by narrower streets. Mine is a schoolbus route. As you enter from Medicine Lake Rd, you can't see the bus at the other end. School children will have to walk on a narrower street, snow piled high in winter making the road even narrower, to catch their bus.

Shelley Parker  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Oliver, Jeff](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Carrie](#)  
**Subject:** FW: narrow streets  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:18:10 AM  
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**From:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:17 AM  
**To:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Cc:** Golden Valley Council Members ; Oliver, Jeff ; Nevinski, Marc ; Kakach, RJ  
**Subject:** RE: narrow streets  
Thank Gillian.

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**From:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:14 AM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim <[TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: narrow streets  
Gillian Rosenquist  
Council Member  
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**From:** Barbara Wollak <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 10:10 AM  
**To:** [grosenquist@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:grosenquist@goldenvalleymn.gov)  
**Subject:** narrow streets

Dear Councilperson Grosenquist,

Thank you for your service to Golden Valley.

As one of your constituents, I want you to know that I strongly support maintaining the current street width for the remaining PMP to 28 feet. I was so disappointed that this issue is coming up again. There was a 4-1 vote in favor of the wider streets last fall. We do not want a redo! If you want to save money during these difficult economic times, there are other ways to cut the budget, like the sidewalks along Duluth Street.

We have lived in our home for over 40 years and have paid taxes all those years for everyone else to get the streets they want. Now it is almost our turn and there is talk of narrowing the streets to save money? We want a pedestrian friendly neighborhood. We have lots of neighbors of all age who walk and bike our streets.

Please don't betray the trust we placed in you.

Respectfully,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Respectfully,

**From:** [Oliver, Jeff](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Carrie](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 28" Street Widths - Golden Valley PMP  
**Date:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 12:55:30 PM  
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**From:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 12:51 PM  
**To:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Cc:** Golden Valley Council Members ; Nevinski, Marc ; Oliver, Jeff ; Kakach, RJ  
**Subject:** RE: 28' Street Widths - Golden Valley PMP  
Thanks Gillian.

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**From:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 12:28 PM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim <[TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: 28' Street Widths - Golden Valley PMP

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 12:21 PM  
**To:** [Rosenquist, Gillian](#)  
**Subject:** 28' Street Widths - Golden Valley PMP

Hi Council Member Rosenquist,  
My name is Jon Beattie and I live at [REDACTED] with my family. My wife and I moved in just over a year ago into this neighborhood and one of the biggest draws for us purchasing in this neighborhood was how wide and safe the streets were/are. My wife and I take daily walks with our 3 children (6, 3, 4 months) and the wider streets give us a lot of peace of mind and comfort knowing that there's plenty of room for them to ride their bikes safely on the side, for us to push a double stroller (or sometimes a double & a single stroller) or walk hand in hand. We would not feel this same peace of mind with 26' street widths as that is a 3' reduction from current street widths (about the width of our double-BOB stroller).  
I wanted to reach out and ask for your support of us keeping 28' street widths as part of the upcoming PMP project. I know that you originally had supported this but have converted to the opinion that 26' street widths is the better option. This is the first house that we have owned and it has been a bit alarming/surprising to have so much back and forth on the street widths over the 1.5 years that we've been living here.

The extra two feet (vs. the potential 26' street widths) allows us to keep the peace of mind mentioned above for our daily family walks. It maintains a safe amount of space for walking as a family, exploring our beautiful neighborhood and not feeling confined to single-file lines in order to remain safe. Our daily walks are a big part of how we connect with one another and enjoy time outside together and we are very hopeful to be able to maintain the initially accepted 28' street widths.

Thank you for your support in this matter,  
Jon Beattie



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Harris, Shep](#)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** Keeping streets at least 28 feet wide  
**Date:** Friday, October 2, 2020 3:17:52 PM

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Hello Mayor,

I grew up in Golden Valley and have owned my own home here for over 15 years. I live at [REDACTED]. North and part of what both drew me and keeps me here is that our neighborhood is pedestrian friendly.

I have two small dogs that I walk every day and with no sidewalks in our neighborhood, it's important to have space to do that safely.

Being close to the General Mills Nature Center and walking distance from two parks has been a draw for many of us.

I join Kathy Longar and my other neighbors in urging you and your City Council colleagues to keep our streets at least 28 feet wide.

Narrowing them to 26 feet will be both hazardous and make our neighborhoods much less desirable.

Thank you, Julie Borgen

**Julie Borgen**

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Oliver, Jeff](#)  
**To:** [Nelson, Carrie](#)  
**Cc:** [Kakach, RJ](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Street CIP Reconsideration Request  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 6, 2020 7:23:16 AM  
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**From:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2020 5:29 PM  
**To:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Cc:** Golden Valley Council Members ; Oliver, Jeff ; Nevinski, Marc ; Kakach, RJ  
**Subject:** FW: Street CIP Reconsideration Request  
Thanks Gillian.

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**From:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2020 5:23 PM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim <[TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:TCruikshank@goldenvalleymn.gov)>  
**Subject:** FW: Street CIP Reconsideration Request

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2020 3:25 PM  
**To:** [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Street CIP Reconsideration Request

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**From:** Kuebelbeck, Kelly  
**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2020 2:59 PM  
**To:** 'sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov' <[sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov)>; 'lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov' <[lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'grosenquist@goldenvalley.gov' <[grosenquist@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:grosenquist@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'mharris@goldenvalley.gov' <[mharris@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:mharris@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov' <[ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: Street CIP Reconsideration Request

More pictures

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**From:** Kuebelbeck, Kelly

**Sent:** Monday, October 5, 2020 2:57 PM

**To:** 'sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov' <[sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:sharris@goldenvalleymn.gov)>; 'lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov' <[lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:lfonnest@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'groesenquist@goldenvalley.gov' <[groesenquist@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:groesenquist@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'mharris@goldenvalley.gov' <[mharris@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:mharris@goldenvalley.gov)>; 'ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov' <[ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov](mailto:ksanberg@goldenvalley.gov)>

**Subject:** Street CIP Reconsideration Request

Golden Valley Mayor Harris and Council Members,

I have lived at the corner of Valders and Winnetka Heights Drive for over 18 years. When we moved in, the City told us we should be expecting new roads in the next three years...which did not happen due to budget delays during the recession. These roads were in terrible shape 18 years ago when we moved in and today they are much worse.

Every spring, the potholes are so bad that our cars (many in the neighborhood) are damaged (suspension issues and flat tires) before GV staff is able to fix the potholes; it took two months this year. Meanwhile, we trek on the roads like we are four-wheeling in the spring...looking for patches of road not damaged. See attached photos (coming in subsequent emails).

The effect of narrowing the streets around Medley has not been a good one. During rush hour, Ensign can feel like a one-way as we wait for other cars to pass first. The roads with less traffic don't look the same either. Homes look smaller and the neighborhood does not feel as welcoming. I understand that the idea here is to cut costs because of COVID and I humbly ask you to rethink this decision.

We have been suffering for decades with poor road conditions and have paid the same in taxes as the rest of the Golden Valley home-owners with nice, new, wide roads. We don't want *the feel* of our neighborhood to change and for there to be less room for pedestrians, kids, and bikers. Instead, we would prefer either:

- a. waiting a couple more years, or
- b. diverting funds from the proposed sidewalk on Duluth to prevent the narrowing our streets. Note: we would prefer, however, a painted cross-walk instead since there have been accidents at this location (there is a blind spot at the top of the hill on Winnetka making it more dangerous to turn than when Winnetka was four lanes; I have nearly been hit crossing the street at this bus stop when it is dark. In addition, I have witnessed several close accidents).

We kindly ask you to reconsider, not go back on your word, do what you say you are going to do, and not degrade the look and feel of our neighborhood. Please.

Kelly Kuebelbeck



**KELLY KUEBELBECK**  
Sr. Product Marketing Manager  
Accruent | Healthcare



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** Street width discussion  
**Date:** Monday, October 5, 2020 5:04:44 PM

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the City's plan for street reconstruction. I know that funds are limited as always, but when it comes to infrastructure and long term projects like this one, I think some visionary thinking should be in order. We don't only live for today — future (and present) residents of our fine city will appreciate many times over that our leaders for today are thinking of the next generation of residents for tomorrow. 30 foot street widths provide ample space for side street parking, while moving traffic (and emergency vehicles) can move both ways without abatement. I am very willing to be assessed more money to accommodate traffic needs both present and future.

Don Mleziva

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Sent from my iPad

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Cc:** [Harris, Shep](#); [lformnest@goldenvalleymn.gov](mailto:lformnest@goldenvalleymn.gov); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Subject:** Street widening  
**Date:** Monday, October 5, 2020 8:00:49 PM

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I feel that the city should maintain the current width of my street and not narrow it to 28 feet. My street already seems a bit narrow if cars are parked on even one side. Two winters ago, the city snow plow dug up both the curbing in front of my house and part of my lawn. I think that any further street narrowing might cause more problems like this.

Please keep my street's width as is. Thanks.

Earl Hoffman

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#); [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Subject:** Street Widths  
**Date:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 3:04:44 PM

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Dear Golden Valley Mayor and Council,  
My name is Susan Senger and I have been a homeowner in Golden Valley for 30 years. I have always found our city to be an excellent place to raise a family.

My concern is in regards to the change in the street width. I understand that an agreement was made 10 months ago that our streets would be 28 feet. Now there seems to be a change to 26 feet.

As a parent, dog walker, and a driver, I would like for you to fulfill the agreement of the street width to remain at 28 feet. I walk daily and want to stay safe. Many young families are now moving into our neighborhood. They deserve the same safe streets that my children biked, walked and learned how to drive on.

I hope you do the right thing for our city and move forward with our streets at 28 feet.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Susan Senger  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** Street width issue  
**Date:** Saturday, October 3, 2020 12:55:16 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

We have lived at [REDACTED] since 1989 (2022 PMP area). As twice-a-day-dog walkers, we are strongly against narrowing the streets in our neighborhood, particularly because of the increased narrowness of the streets during winter because of plowing. We are willing to accept increased costs of the PMP project that will happen if we keep the streets at their current width, or at the compromise width of 28 feet.

Please listen and respond positively to all of the neighbors who are opposed to decreasing the width of our Golden Valley, sidewalk-less streets.

Martha Harris and Richard Robinson

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** 28 feet street width - Zealand Ave N  
**Date:** Thursday, October 1, 2020 8:33:44 PM

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Hello,

My name is Bethany Beattie and my husband, Jon, and I are proud to call Golden Valley our home, having just celebrated our one year anniversary of purchasing our first house here (in the summer of 2019). We live on Duluth Ave. N. and have so enjoyed meeting our wonderful neighbors and partaking in all that Golden Valley has to offer. You will see us and our three young children taking daily (if not more!) walks (with a large double stroller!), bike rides, scooter rides, etc. in our beautiful neighborhood.

Last November, I felt proud to involve myself in local politics and exercise my citizenship by reaching out to the city council members asking that our streets be repaved at 28 feet, instead of being narrowed to 26 feet. We were thrilled when the vote for 28 feet streets passed!

You can imagine my shock when we received notification that two council members have reversed their decision from last fall, and that the city is now planning to narrow our street to 26 feet. We felt small, frustrated, undercut, ignored, duped. These beautiful, wide streets we utilize and enjoy on a daily basis were one thing we looked long and hard for in our home search. We did not ever think that they could be taken away from us so quickly after moving into our home.

Pre Covid-19, it was a frequent compliment we would receive when hosting guests, parties, etc. at our house: "You have such wide streets! Amazing!" We felt so happy and proud. It is so nice to have space for parking with plenty of street left for pedestrian use and passing vehicles.

During Covid-19, I can't tell you how much it has meant to be able to have access to such a nice, wide street. As a nurse, I'm deeply appreciative of the importance of social distancing in preventing the spread of Covid-19. I have noticed the number of walkers in our neighborhood has increased dramatically during these past 6 months, as people turn to outdoor exercise for health and sanity during this pandemic. I want to assure you that my family and myself have been staying home, washing hands, wearing masks, and doing everything we can to protect ourselves, our neighbors and our city. We are thankful to live with conscientious neighbors. We frequently cross the street to avoid coming in contact with others and see fellow exercisers do the same. Sometimes, both sides of the street will be occupied and a third party will walk in the middle of the street, until we have all passed each other, to ensure proper social distancing. I know our street would not be repaved until 2022, but reducing our street width to 26 feet would truly impact the safety and accessibility in our neighborhood. It is easy to picture how cramped the streets would feel with a car parked on one side of the street (if not both!), one or two lanes of traffic driving by, and families and petwalkers all trying to share the same space in a safe and socially distanced manner. Who knows how long social distancing will be encouraged? Some aspects of pre Covid-19 life may return, but some will stay. Social distancing may very well be one of them. It just makes sense to give others space when possible.

Even without Covid-19 and social distancing, having our street narrowed to 26 feet would dramatically change the feeling and accessibility of our neighborhood. I will feel significantly more apprehensive during family walks, as vehicles will have less space to pass my children. The thought of having restricted parking in our neighborhood is unnecessary. With the width at 28 feet, there is no need to have parking restricted, something none of us would welcome.

I want to thank you for your time and service for our city, especially during this pandemic. I am sure it has been a stressful season with many decisions to be made, which have big impacts on those living here. There must be so much that goes on behind the scenes, and I thank you for your dedication to your citizens and

city. I can imagine the complexities of considering all sides and trying to make the best choice for all parties involved.

Please consider doing anything and everything in your power to advocate for the streets to be 28 feet instead of 26 feet, as the previous vote had decided. Having wider streets is crucial for safety, resident satisfaction and maintaining the beautiful, open neighborhoods of Golden Valley of which we are so proud to be a part.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,

Bethany

Bethany Beattie



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** Narrowing of streets in GV  
**Date:** Saturday, October 3, 2020 6:13:32 PM

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To the Golden Valley City Council and Mayor and Engineering Dept.

I live at [REDACTED] in Golden Valley. I am writing to let you know that my family and I are extremely opposed to the proposed narrowing of streets in our area. Our section of Aquila Avenue is currently 30' wide from curb to curb. Because things keep seemingly flip-flopping, I'm not sure if the proposed 28' width or the even worse possibility of a 26' wide street is currently on the table. Either way, if you narrow our street, it's going to be too narrow for traffic to pass in the winter by the time snowbanks pile up high. It will also make bus stops far less safe for kids when snow piles high.

I'm not sure why this narrowing has been proposed, but I'm all ears if you'd like to explain to me why you think it makes sense. I live on this street. You don't. You don't see how narrow it already gets every winter.

My property taxes have gone up nearly 40% since I moved here many years ago. It's ridiculous. Yet we see so little in return for this. Where does it all go? Apparently not to streets. Don't charge us more and give us less value and a lower quality of life on our streets.

**Eric Sorensen**

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**Eric Sorensen**  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** PMP street width  
**Date:** Sunday, October 4, 2020 10:22:38 AM

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To the engineering department,

I am very concerned about narrowing our city streets to a 26' width. Orkla Drive, scheduled for the 2024 PMP, is currently at 29'. The safety of our residents **must** take precedence over everything else....including cost. This is a 50 year decision. Please reconsider.

Toni Ihrke

[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [EngineeringDept](#); [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Golden Valley Streets  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 6, 2020 10:55:36 AM

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Dear City Council,

As a resident and tax payer of the City of Golden Valley for more than 20 years I am concerned that the City is cutting corners in regards to public safety and sense of place with our street widths. Is it fair to provide wider streets for some of our community and smaller streets for others? The small amount of savings does not outweigh our concerns for safety and aesthetics (sense of place). An average car is over 7 feet from mirror to mirror and 8 feet mirror to mirror for a truck. We have a lot of activity on our roads especially because we have no sidewalks. People walking with pets and kids playing in the streets. A 26' wide street would reduce sightlines and make it less safe for people to see someone coming into the street. A truck parking on both sides of the street would give less than 10 feet for pedestrians and cars to share the road. Why do some communities get safer streets than others? Please make all our streets 29 feet at a minimum.

Best regards

Jeffrey W. Ankeny

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Harris, Shep](#); [Fonnest, Larry](#); [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Harris, Maurice](#); [Sanberg, Kimberly](#)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]; [EngineeringDept](#)  
**Subject:** A Really Bad Idea; Reducing the Width of City Streets  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 6, 2020 12:29:53 PM

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To: Mayor Harris;  
Council Members Fonnest, Rosenquist, Harris, & Sanberg;  
CC: Golden Valley Engineering Staff, Kathy Longar  
Re: Golden Valley City Plans Reduce the Width of City Streets from 29/30 ft to 26/28 ft.

My wife Mary and I reside at [REDACTED]. No. We have lived at this address for nearly 37 years.

Along with all the residents of this City we have learned that the City is planning to reduce the width of the streets as a part of its Project Management Plan ("PMP") to renew/rebuild the streets and associated infrastructure.

We don't have an issue with the basic plan for street & infrastructure renewal. We agree this work is desperately needed. However, there is no need to reduce the width of the streets. In fact, a good argument could be made to make the streets a little wider but we'll settle for the status quo.

We have heard that one of the arguments for narrowing the streets is to save money on initial construction costs and on-going maintenance. Really; how much money would be saved by narrowing the streets by 1, 2 or even 3 feet? We are guessing that compared to the total cost of this project, the savings are a trivial amount. Whatever this small savings, it is nowhere near the value to all of us of what we lose in the form of increased street congestion and reduced safety.

In any case, of all the residents we've talked to (there are many) NOT A SINGLE ONE wants narrower streets and ALL are willing to pay whatever the small extra cost is associated with keeping them as is.

All of this brings me to my questions for all of you:

1. Has the City Council conducted any kind of survey of Golden Valley Citizens/Tax Payers to determine what percentage of them would choose narrowing the streets with the small savings vs. leaving them at the current width and pay the extra cost?  
If so, what was the result? If not WHY NOT? Given the direct and significant detrimental impact that narrow streets will have on every single resident, don't you think a simple survey would be useful and the right thing to do?  
We are very confident that such a survey would reveal that 90+ % of the residents would vote to keep the street width as is, regardless of the higher cost. Is it possible that a survey has not been conducted because you know what the answer would be and you don't want the result to get in the way of what you have already decided to do?
2. Given that the cost savings argument for narrowing the streets is at best, wimpy weak and that you know (or should know) that the residents are willing to pay what it costs to keep their streets as is, the cynical part of me thinks you have in mind some other reason for narrowing the streets. Is there another reason? Can you share it with the people who elected you to office?  
If there is no other reason than the weak cost saving argument and it has been

put to rest by those who pay the bill, then we suggest you make a decision that reflects the will of the people who put you in office.

Respectfully  
Phil & Mary Zins

**From:** [Cruikshank, Tim](#)  
**To:** [Rosenquist, Gillian](#); [Golden Valley Council Members](#); [Nevinski, Marc](#); [Kakach, RJ](#); [Oliver, Jeff](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Keep Golden Valley streets at least 28 feet wide  
**Date:** Friday, October 2, 2020 4:03:52 PM

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Thanks Gillian.

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**From:** Rosenquist, Gillian  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 3:45:02 PM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Subject:** Fwd: Keep Golden Valley streets at least 28 feet wide

Gillian Rosenquist  
Council Member  
763-529-9279

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**From:** Julie Borgen  
**Sent:** Friday, October 2, 2020 3:19:45 PM  
**To:** lfonnest@goldenvalleymn.gov ; grosenquist@goldenvalleymn.gov  
**Cc:** Kathy Longar  
**Subject:** Keep Golden Valley streets at least 28 feet wide  
Hello Larry and Gillian,

I grew up in Golden Valley and have owned my own home here for over 15 years. I live at [REDACTED]. North and part of what both drew me and keeps me here is that our neighborhood is pedestrian friendly.

I have two small dogs that I walk every day and with no sidewalks in our neighborhood, it's important to have space to do that safely.

Being close to the General Mills Nature Center and walking distance from two parks has been a draw for many of us.

I join Kathy Longar and my other neighbors in urging you and your City Council colleagues to return to your earlier position of keeping our streets at least 28 feet wide.

Narrowing them to 26 feet will be both hazardous and make our neighborhoods much less desirable.

Thank you, Julie Borgen  
**Julie Borgen**

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Cruikshank, Tim](#)  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [Nevinski, Marc](#)  
**Subject:** RE: PMP street width  
**Date:** Monday, October 5, 2020 6:22:41 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.gif](#)

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Thank you. We will include with the compilation of feedback we are receiving on this topic that will all be shared with the City Council.

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**Timothy J. Cruikshank** | City Manager | City of Golden Valley  
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**From:** Toni Ihrke  
**Sent:** Sunday, October 4, 2020 10:29 AM  
**To:** Cruikshank, Tim  
**Subject:** PMP street width

Dear Mr. Cruikshank,

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Toni Ihrke

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Fire

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**Golden Valley Council/Manager Meeting  
October 13, 2020**

### **Agenda Item**

2. Crime Free Ordinance Discussion

### **Prepared By**

Ted Massicotte, Deputy Fire Chief

### **Summary**

Staff reviewed the current ordinances related to crime prevention and rental licensing, the history of those ordinances and the impacts of having or not having them. The sections in question are included as part of our rental licensing portion of ordinance and were adopted in 2015 at the same time the International Property Maintenance Code was adopted. These sections appear to have been a duplication of some other cities ordinances being used at that time and no specific direction was given to include this type of language.

These types of ordinances are concerning to fair housing advocates as they can have a negative impact on a tenants perception of their ability to seek emergency assistance for fear of being evicted from their property as well as their right to fair, safe, and unfringed access to police and emergency services.

Staff looked back at records and determined that these sections have not been used at all in Golden Valley since they were adopted and agree with the potential negative impacts, therefore are recommending removing them completely from ordinance.

### **Financial or Budget Considerations**

None

### **Supporting Documents**

- Redline version of proposed changes.

### ARTICLE III. - RENTAL HOUSING LICENSING

#### Sec. 16-53. - Purpose.

It is the purpose of this article to provide minimum standards to safeguard life, limb, health, property and public welfare by regulating and controlling the use and occupancy, construction and maintenance of all residential rental units, buildings and structures within the City. The provisions contained herein are in addition to other applicable provisions of the City Code and not in lieu thereof.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(1))

#### Sec. 16-54. - Scope.

The provisions of this article shall apply to all rental dwellings, including rented single-family homes, rented duplexes and rental dwellings within owner-occupied buildings, as well as to rented condominiums, rented townhouses and leasehold cooperative dwelling units, as those terms are defined in Minn. Stats. § 273.124, subd. 6, Minn. Stats. ch. 515A, and this article.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(2))

#### Sec. 16-55. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Annual Renewal Date:* The date each year by when a rental license must be renewed, according to the schedule of fiscal years for rental licenses and fees established by the City Council pursuant to Section 16-24. The City Council may establish a different annual renewal date for different types of rental dwellings and/or types of building in which rental dwellings may be located (e.g., single-family homes, duplexes, townhomes, condominiums, homes with services, etc.).

*Apartment Building:* A building in which four or more rental dwellings are located and all such rental dwellings are owned by the same owner.

*Code Official:* The City Manager or his/her designee.

*Disorderly Conduct:* Shall have the meaning given such term in Section 16-57.

*Dwelling Unit:* A single dwelling space providing independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation.

*Operate:* To charge a rental charge or other form of compensation for the use of a rental dwelling.

*Owner:* The person owning or holding title to a rental dwelling as determined by an examination of record title to the property at the office of the County Recorder - Registrar of Titles. If more than one person owns or holds title to an individual rental dwelling, such persons shall collectively be an owner for purposes of this article.

*Qualifying Relative:* Spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew. The relationship may be either by blood or marriage. The Code Official may require sufficient written proof to establish whether someone is a qualifying relative.

*Person:* A natural person or legal entity.

*Property Manager:* A person authorized to manage and/or operate a rental dwelling on behalf of an owner.

*Renewal License:* A rental license that is a renewal of an existing rental license granted under this article, which renewal is granted to the same owner and for the same rental dwelling as the existing rental license.

*Rental License:* The license required under this article, including any renewal thereof.

*Rental Dwelling:* A dwelling unit in the City to which a tenant has been granted the right to use. A rental dwelling includes accessory structures such as garages and storage buildings and appurtenances such as sidewalks and retaining walls which are on the premises on which a rental dwelling is located.

*Tenant:* Any person granted temporary use of a rental dwelling, other than the owner of the dwelling unit and/or qualifying relative of that owner, pursuant to a lease or other agreement, whether or not reduced to writing.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(3))

Sec. 16-56. - License Required.

(a) *When Required.*

(1) No person shall operate a rental dwelling unless the owner thereof shall have first obtained a rental license for such rental dwelling as provided for in this article. Any rental license received under this article shall commence upon the date of issuance and, unless revoked or suspended, shall remain valid until the next applicable annual renewal date, provided no rental license shall extend for more than a 12-month period. A person who is operating a rental dwelling after the rental license has expired is operating an unlicensed rental dwelling.

(2) Exceptions:

- a. A rental dwelling is not subject to this article if it is within a hotel, motel, hospital or a nursing home, assisted living, and other residential facilities or portions thereof licensed and inspected by the State for compliance with State building or fire codes or the City of Golden Valley Property Maintenance Code. A rental dwelling within any of the following types of facilities is subject to this article unless the facility has a facility license issued by the State and is inspected by the State for compliance with State building or fire codes or the City of Golden Valley Property Maintenance Code: group homes, independent living facilities, assisted living facilities, board and lodging homes, and other residential facilities or portions thereof, including those facilities that provide support services for their residents or that receive program reimbursement or financial assistance.
- b. A room temporarily leased to a natural person within a dwelling unit while the owner of that dwelling unit resides in the dwelling unit shall not be subject to this article, provided no more than three persons shall so lease a room within a dwelling unit at one time.

(b) *What the Rental License Covers.* There shall be one rental license for each rental dwelling, provided when a building on a single premises contains two or more rental dwellings and all the rental dwellings within such building are owned by the same owner, only one rental license shall be required for such building. The City shall have authority to exercise its licensing powers under this article, including the power to issue, renew, deny, revoke, and suspend rental licenses, with respect to an entire building or only a portion of a building.

(c) *Fees.* There shall be annual license fee for each rental license. Such fee shall be in the amount established by the City Council pursuant to Section 16-24. There shall be no proration of rental license fees for a rental license that extends for less than 12 months. The amount of the rental

license fee may vary based on the type of rental dwelling, the type of building in which the rental dwelling is located, and/or the number of rental dwellings located in the building that is the subject of a rental license. There shall be no fee charged for an initial inspection to determine the existence of any violations of the City Code at a rental dwelling. The City Council shall establish a fee for any reinspections necessary to determine whether identified violations have been corrected, to restore a rental license that has been revoked or suspended, or for any other reason a reinspection may be required under this article. The Code Official may waive the reinspection fee in event of an error or other reasonable cause determined by the Code Official, including extension of time granted for compliance.

- (d) *Application.* Application for a rental license shall be made in writing on forms promulgated by the City Manager or his/her designee and accompanied by the fee amount. In the case of a license renewal, such application shall be submitted at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the then-existing rental license. If the application for a license renewal is not received by the City at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the existing rental license, the applicant shall pay a late fee in the amount established by the City Council. The Code Official may waive the late fee in event of an error or other reasonable cause determined by the Code Official. All applications shall specify the following:
- (1) Name, address, and telephone number of the owner of the rental dwelling, including name of the contact person if the owner is a legal entity.
  - (2) Name, address, and telephone number of any property manager actively managing said rental dwelling.
  - (3) Name and address of the vendee if the rental dwelling is owned or being sold on a contract for deed.
  - (4) Legal address of the rental dwelling.
  - (5) Number of rental dwellings that are the subject of the application if the application involves a building in which two or more rental dwellings are located and all such rental dwellings are owned by the same owner.
  - (6) Name, address and telephone number of on-site operating manager, if any.
  - (7) Any other information requested by the Code Official to establish compliance under this article.
  - (8) If the owner identified in the application is a legal entity, the applicant shall submit, upon request of the Code Official, the name and address of all partners, shareholders or interest holders.
- (e) *Inspections Required.* Each rental license application and rental license is at all times subject to the Code Official's right to inspect the affected rental dwelling to determine whether it is in compliance with the City Code and State law. The Code Official shall determine the schedule of periodic inspections. Inspections may include all common areas, utility and mechanical rooms, garages, exterior of structures and exterior property areas.
- (f) *Access for Inspection.* No rental license shall be issued under this article unless the owner of the rental dwelling agrees to permit inspections, upon reasonable notice from the Code Official to the owner, to determine compliance with the City Code and State law. The submission of a rental license application or the possession of a rental license issued by the City shall constitute such agreement by the owner identified in the application or on the rental license. Each tenant shall grant access to any part of its rental dwelling at reasonable times for the purpose of effecting inspection, maintenance, repairs or alterations as are necessary to comply with the provisions of this article. If any owner, owner's agent, property manager or tenant fails or refuses to permit entry to a rental dwelling under its control for an inspection pursuant to this article, the Code Official may pursue any remedy at law or under the City Code, including, but not limited to, securing an administrative search warrant for the rental dwelling, issuing an administrative citation, denying a rental license application, revoking or suspending a rental license, or denying a renewal license. Without limiting the foregoing,

should an owner, owner's agent, or property manager fail to keep a scheduled inspection without reasonable cause or refuse to permit entry to the rental dwelling, a reinspection fee may be charged.

- (g) *Resident Agent Required.* No rental license shall be issued for a rental dwelling unless:
- (1) The owner thereof resides within the Counties of Hennepin, Ramsey, Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Scott, Washington, Sherburne or Wright; or
  - (2) The owner designates in writing an agent or property manager residing or located within such counties who is responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the rental dwelling and who is authorized to provide the Code Official access to the rental dwelling, to receive service of notice of violations of the City Code, to receive orders from the Code Official and to institute remedial action to effect such orders and to accept all service of process pursuant to law.
- ~~(h) *Crime-Free Training.* An owner or property manager who owns or manages more than one rental dwelling in the city must complete a crime-free training program (or similar program) approved by the City's Police Department. No renewal license shall be granted unless the owner (and property manager, if any) identified on the rental license application has completed such training within the three-year period immediately preceding the date of such application. If a rental dwelling owned by a person who is not required to complete this training pursuant to the foregoing and that rental dwelling is the subject of three or more events of disorderly conduct within a 365-day period, that person must complete the training before a renewal license may be granted for that rental dwelling.~~
- ~~(i) *Crime-Free/Drug-Free Lease Addendum Requirements.*~~
- ~~(1) Subject to any preemptory State and Federal laws, all signed tenant leases, including any lease renewal, for a rental dwelling executed after January 1, 2017, shall contain the following crime-free addendum language or equivalent language:
    - ~~a. Tenant, any members of the tenant's household or a guest or other person affiliated with the tenant shall not engage in illegal activity, including drug-related illegal activity, on or near the premises.~~
    - ~~b. Tenant, any member of the tenant's household or a guest or other person affiliated with the tenant shall not engage in any act intended to facilitate illegal activity, including drug-related illegal activity, on or near the premises.~~
    - ~~c. Tenant, any member of the tenant's household or a guest or other person affiliated with the tenant shall not permit the rental dwelling to be used for, or to facilitate illegal activity, including drug-related illegal activity, regardless of whether the individual engaging in such activity is a member of the household or a guest.~~
    - ~~d. Tenant, any member of the tenant's household or a guest, or other person affiliated with the tenant shall not engage in the unlawful manufacturing, selling, using, storing, keeping, or giving of a controlled substance (as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substance Act [21 USC 802]) on or near the premises.~~
    - ~~e. Violation of the above provisions shall be a material and irreparable violation of the lease and good cause for immediate termination of tenancy.~~
    - ~~f. The term "drug-related illegal activity" means the illegal manufacture, sale, distribution, use, or possession with intent to manufacture, sell, distribute, or use of a controlled substance (as defined in Section 102 of the Controlled Substance Act [21 USC 802]).~~~~
  - ~~(2) Non-exclusive remedies. The crime-free/drug-free addendum is in addition to all other terms of the lease and do not limit or replace any other provisions.~~
- ~~(jh) *Posting.* All apartment buildings shall post the rental license issued for that building. The rental license shall be conspicuously posted (in a frame with a glass covering), in a common area, hallway or lobby. All other rental dwellings shall have a copy of the rental license on the premises.~~
- ~~(ki) *Applicable Laws.* Rental licenses shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the City Code and State law relating to rental dwellings.~~

(4) *Transfer of License.* No rental license under this article is transferable:

- (1) If any owner holding a rental license transfers ownership or legal control of the rental dwelling that is the subject of the rental license
- (2) If the owner appoints or changes the agent required under Subsection (g) of this section; and/or
- (3) If the owner authorizes a property manager to manage the rental dwelling (other than a property manager identified in the application for the rental license), then the owner shall provide the Code Official written notice of such event within 72 hours thereafter. Such notice shall include, as applicable:
  - a. The name and address of the person succeeding to the ownership or control of such rental dwelling
  - b. The name and address of the appointed agent; and
  - c. The name and address of the authorized property manager.

Any new owner shall apply for a new rental license within three days after its acquisition of the rental dwelling.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(4))

~~Sec. 16-57. – Conduct on Licensed Premises.~~

~~It shall be the responsibility of an owner holding a rental license to take appropriate action to prevent conduct at the licensed rental dwelling by tenants or their guests constituting disorderly conduct. A violation of any of the following statutes or Code provisions shall be deemed disorderly conduct:~~

- ~~(1) Minn. Stats. §§ 609.75 through 609.76, and Article XV of this chapter, which prohibit gambling~~
- ~~(2) Minn. Stats. §§ 609.321 through 609.324, which prohibits prostitution and acts relating thereto~~
- ~~(3) Minn. Stats. §§ 152.01 through 152.025, and 152.027, subs. 1 and 2, which prohibit the unlawful sale or possession of controlled substances~~
- ~~(4) Minn. Stats. § 340A.401, which prohibits the unlawful sale of alcoholic beverages~~
- ~~(5) Minn. Stats. § 340A.503, which prohibits the underage use of alcoholic beverages~~
- ~~(6) Minn. Stats. § 609.72 and Sections 10-1, 18-2, and 18-4, which prohibits disorderly conduct when the violation disturbs the peace and quiet of the occupants of at least one unit on the licensed premises or other premises, other than the unit occupied by the person committing the violation; and~~
- ~~(7) Minn. Stats. §§ 97B.021, 97B.045, 609.66 through 609.67 and 624.712 through 624.716, which prohibit the unlawful possession, transportation, sale or use of a weapon.~~

(Code 1988, § 6.29(5))

~~Sec. 16-58. – Disorderly Conduct Violations.~~

- ~~(a) Disorderly conduct at a rental dwelling shall be determined and handled by the Police Department.~~
- ~~(b) A determination that disorderly conduct has occurred at a rental dwelling shall be made upon substantial evidence to support such a determination and shall be subject to Minn. Stats. § 504B.205, subd. 3. It shall not be necessary that criminal charges be brought to support a determination of disorderly conduct, nor shall the fact of dismissal or acquittal of such a criminal~~

~~charge operate as a bar to adverse license action under this article based on such disorderly conduct.~~

- ~~(c) Upon notification from the Police Department to the Code Official that there have been three or more events of disorderly conduct at a rental dwelling with a 36-month period, the Code Official shall send a written warning to the owner of such rental dwelling, notifying the owner that:~~
- ~~(1) If there is an additional event of disorderly conduct at the identified rental dwelling within the 12-month period following the date of the warning, such disorderly conduct shall constitute a violation of this article and shall entitle the City to the remedies set forth herein, including the revocation, suspension, non-renewal or denial of a rental license~~
  - ~~(2) Within 10 days after the Code Official's issuance of the written warning, the owner shall submit to the Code Official and the Police Department a written management plan detailing the actions taken and proposed to be taken by the owner to prevent further disorderly conduct at the identified rental dwelling~~
  - ~~(3) Within 20 days after the acceptance of the management plan by the Code Official and the Police Department, the owner shall implement all the provisions of the management plan; and~~
  - ~~(4) If the owner fails to submit or implement a management plan as required, such failure shall constitute a violation of this article and shall entitle the City to the remedies set forth herein, including the revocation, suspension, non-renewal or denial of a rental license.~~
- ~~(d) If the owner fails to provide or implement a management plan within the period required, or there is an event of disorderly conduct at the rental dwelling within 12 months after the written warning, such failure shall be a violation under this article.~~

~~(Code 1988, § 6.29(6))~~

Sec. 16-~~5957~~. - Revocation or Suspension of Rental License.

- (a) In addition to its powers under Section 16-23, the City Council may revoke, suspend, deny or decline to renew any rental license applied for or issued under this article based on any of the following circumstances:
- (1) The rental license was procured by misrepresentation of material facts with regard to a rental dwelling or the ownership of a rental dwelling.
  - (2) The applicant, or one acting in the applicant's behalf, made oral or written misstatements accompanying the application.
  - (3) The applicant has failed to comply with any condition set forth in any other permits/licenses granted by the City.
  - (4) The activities of the owner create or have created a danger to the public health, safety or welfare.
  - (5) The rental dwelling, the building of which such dwelling is a part, or any portion thereof, contains conditions that might injure, or endanger the safety, health or welfare of any member of the public.
  - (6) Failure to correct violations of the City's Property Maintenance Code in the time period specified in the notice of violation and correction.
  - (7) Failure to continuously comply with any condition required of the applicant for the approval or maintenance of the rental license.
  - (8) Failure to include the crime-free/drug-free lease addendum in all leases as required by Section 16-56(i).
  - (9) A violation under Section 16-58(d).

- (10) Any other violation of this article.
- (b) Prior to any revocation, suspension, denial or declination by the City Council under this article, the Code Official shall send written notice to the owner specifying the ordinance or law violations with which they are accused and the affected rental dwelling. The notice shall also specify the date for the hearing before the City Council, which shall not be less than 10 days from the date of the notice. At the hearing before the City Council, the owner or their representative may submit and present evidence on their behalf. After the hearing, the City Council may revoke, suspend, deny or decline to renew the rental license.
- (c) If the affected rental dwelling is within a building containing more than one rental dwelling owned by the same owner, the revocation, suspension, denial or declination may apply to one or more rental dwellings within that building, at the discretion of the City Council.
- (d) If a rental license is suspended, revoked or not renewed pursuant to this article, then until such time as a valid rental license has been restored it shall be unlawful for the owner to thereafter permit any occupancy of the formerly licensed rental dwelling by a tenant. The affected rental dwelling shall be vacated by all tenants, giving tenants a reasonable time to arrange new housing and to move their possessions.
- (e) Rental licenses may be suspended for up to 120 days and may, after the period of suspension, be reinstated subject to compliance with this article and any conditions imposed by the City at the time of suspension. Rental licenses that are revoked shall not be reinstated for a period of up to 120 days and until the owner has applied for and secured a new rental license and complied with all conditions imposed at the time of revocation and all applicable sections of the City Code.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(7))

Sec. 16-~~60~~58. - Maintenance Standards.

Every rental dwelling shall be maintained in accordance with the minimum standards set forth in State law and the City Code, in addition to any other permits issued by the City or by the State.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(8))

Sec. 16-~~61~~59. - Conflicts.

Where there are conflicts between this article and any other provision of the City Code or other State or Federal laws, regulations, or rules, the more restrictive shall govern.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(9))

Sec. 16-~~62~~60. - Enforcement.

The Code Official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce all of the provisions of this article and all the provisions of the City's Property Maintenance Code with respect to rental dwellings.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(10))

Sec. 16-~~63~~61. - Owner and Tenant Responsibilities.

(a) *Owner.*

- (1) Owners of rental dwellings shall construct and maintain said dwellings in accordance with the requirements of the City Code.

- (2) No person shall lease to another for occupancy any rental dwelling which does not comply with the applicable fire prevention provisions of the City Code.
- (b) *Tenant.*
- (1) Each tenant of a rental dwelling shall keep in a clean and sanitary condition that part of the dwelling and related premises which that person occupies or controls.
  - (2) No person shall occupy any rental dwelling which does not comply with the applicable fire prevention provisions of the City Code.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(11))

Sec. 16-~~6462~~. - Notices and Orders of Code Official.

- (a) *Notice.* Whenever the Code Official determines that a rental dwelling, a building of which such dwelling is a part, or any portion thereof violates any section of the City Code or that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a violation exists, notice shall be given in the manner set forth in Section 107 of the City's Property Maintenance Code, provided in all instances such notice shall also be provided to the applicable owner, if such Section 107 does not require such notice to be sent to the owner.
- (b) *Emergency Orders.* Whenever the Code Official finds that an emergency exists in relation to the enforcement of the provisions of this article which requires immediate action to protect the health, safety or welfare of occupants of any rental dwelling, a building of which such dwelling is a part, or any portion thereof, the Code Official may issue an order reciting the existence of such emergency and requiring that such action be taken as deemed necessary to meet the emergency, notwithstanding any other provision of this article.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(12))

Sec. 16-~~6563~~. - Administrative Citation.

The Code Official may issue one or more administrative citations under Section 1-9, to enforce any provision in this article and, in addition to imposing monetary fines, such citations may require corrective actions.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(13))

Sec. 16-~~6664~~. - Appeal Process.

Any person directly affected by an administrative citation, decision or order issued by the Code Official pursuant to this article shall have the right to appeal to a hearing officer in an administrative hearing as provided for in Section 2-4. The City Council may establish by ordinance a fee that must accompany any such appeal under this article.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(14))

Sec. 16-~~6765~~. - No Warranty By City.

By enacting and undertaking to enforce this article of the City Code, neither the City nor its Council, agents, or employees warrant or guaranty the safety, fitness or suitability of any rental dwelling or dwelling unit in the City and any representation to the contrary by any person is a misdemeanor. Owners,

their agents, property managers and tenants should take whatever steps they deem appropriate to protect their interests, health, safety and welfare.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(15))

Sec. 16-~~6866~~. - Violation a Misdemeanor.

Every person who violates a section, paragraph or provision of this article when such person performs an act thereby prohibited or declared unlawful or fails to act when such failure is thereby prohibited or declared unlawful, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished as for a misdemeanor except as otherwise stated in specific provisions hereof.

(Code 1988, § 6.29(16); Ord. No. 564, 2nd Series, 7-31-2015)

Secs. 16-~~6967~~—16-94. - Reserved.



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## City Administration

763-593-8006 / 763-593-8109 (fax)

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### Golden Valley Council/Manager Meeting October 13, 2020

#### Agenda Item

3. Proposed Revisions to Disorderly Conduct Ordinance

#### Prepared By

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Nicole Appelbaum, Chestnut Cambronne

#### Summary

In looking at the Crime Free Housing Ordinance, staff noticed that the current disorderly conduct ordinance (City Code § 18-2) contains some ambiguities and overlap with state statute. Staff discussed the ordinance with the City Prosecutor, Chestnut Cambronne, and recommends making the following changes to the ordinance:

- Remove paragraphs 1, 4, 5, 8 and 9 because they overlap with existing state statute.
- Broaden the language in paragraph 2 to include additional bodies of water in Golden Valley.
- Modify the language in paragraph 3 to simplify the section, and to add the requirement that the offending conduct occur in a place in which it could be observed by a member of the public.
- Modify paragraph 6 so that it applies to sound on public and private property and to clarify the standard of conduct.
- Modify paragraph 7 to add lasers and strobe lights, and change the standard from “annoy or endanger” to “disturb or endanger.”

Staff requests the Council’s input and direction regarding the proposed changes.

#### Financial Or Budget Considerations

None

#### Supporting Documents

- Proposed redline of City Code § 18-2

Sec. 18-2. - Disorderly Conduct—Generally.

It is unlawful for any person, in a public or private place, knowing, or having reasonable grounds to know, that it will, or will tend to, alarm, anger or disturb others or provoke any assault or breach of the peace, to do the following:

- ~~(1) Knowingly engage in, offer, or attempt to engage in, aid or assist another to engage in, or congregate because of lewd, lascivious or immoral conduct; or the use of words which are slanderous and tend to injure the reputation of others, obscene, or personally abusive and inherently likely to provoke a violent reaction or tend to incite an immediate breach of the peace~~
- (2) Whether or not posted with signs so prohibiting, voluntarily enter the waters of any river, lake, creek, pond, or public swimming pool at any time when said waters are not properly supervised by trained life-saving personnel in attendance for that purpose, or enter such waters without being garbed in a bathing suit sufficient to cover his/hers/their person and equal to the standards generally adopted and accepted by the public.
- (3) Urinate or defecate on any public street, alley, sidewalk or floor of any public building or of any building where the public gathers or has access, or in any other place, whether public or private, where such act could be observed by any member of the public, except in such place that has been designated as a restroom, in a place other than:
  - a. ~~If on public property, then in a plumbing fixture provided for that purpose~~
  - b. ~~If on the private property of another, then in a plumbing fixture provided for that purpose; or~~
  - c. ~~If on private property not owned or controlled by another, then within a building~~
- ~~(4) Look, peer, or peep into any window, door, skylight, or other opening in a house, room, or building located on property not owned or controlled by such person with intent to observe the actions of occupants of any such house, room or building, or loiter around or within view of any such window, door, skylight or other opening for the purpose of observing the occupants thereof~~
- ~~(5) Cause the making or production of an unnecessary noise by shouting or by any other means or mechanism including the blowing of any automobile or other vehicle horn~~
- (6) Use a sound amplifier upon streets and public property without prior written permission from the City, or on any private property in a manner knowing or having reasonable grounds to know, that it will, or will tend to, alarm, anger or disturb others or provoke any assault or breach of the peace.
- (7) Use a flashlight, laser, strobe light, or spotlight in a manner so as to annoy-disturb or endanger others
- ~~(8) Cause defacement, destruction, or otherwise damage to any premises or any property located thereon~~
- ~~(9) Strew, scatter, litter, throw, dispose of or deposit any refuse, garbage, or rubbish unto any premises except into receptacles provided for such purpose; or~~
- ~~(10) Enter any motor vehicle of another without the consent of the owner or operator.~~

(Code 1988, § 10.60)

# Housing & Redevelopment Authority

October 20, 2020 – 6:30 pm

## MEETING AGENDA

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### Pages

1. **Call to Order**
  - A. Roll Call
2. **Approval of Agenda**
3. **Consent Agenda**
4. **Public Hearing**
5. **Old Business**
6. **New Business**
  - A. Metropolitan Council Housing Goals (Zimmerman)
7. **Adjournment**



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# City Council

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

October 20, 2020 – 6:30 pm

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Pages

### 2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

### 3 Consent Agenda

Approval of Consent Agenda - All items listed under this heading are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - 1. City Council Meeting – October 7, 2020
- B. Approval of City Check Register
- C. Licenses:
  - 1.
- D. Minutes of Boards and Commissions:
  - 1. Human Services Commission Resignation
  - 2. Human Services Commission Appointment
  - 3. Environmental Commission Minutes, August 24, 2020
- E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:
  - 1. Award 2021 PMP Construction Observation and Engineering Services--TENTATIVE
  - 2. Approve Consultant Contractor for the City Facilities Study
  - 3. Approve Contract for Custodial Services with Jani-King - TENTATIVE
  - 4. Amendments to extend catering agreements for 2021
  - 5. Approve Contract for Fixed Fuel Pricing
- F. Acceptance of Grants and Donations:
  - 1.
- G. Approve City Facilities Study Task Force
  - 1. Appointing Facility Study Task Force Members
  - 2. Adopting the Facility Study Task Force Charter

### 4. Public Hearing

- A. Public Hearing - 2021 PMP Council Order Bids--TENTATIVE

### 5. Old Business



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**6. New Business**

All Ordinances listed under this heading are eligible for public input.

- A. Review of Council Calendar
- B. Mayor and Council Communications
  - 1. Other Committee/Meeting updates

**7. Adjournment**

# City Council

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 – 6:30 pm

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Pages

### 2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

### 3. Consent Agenda

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- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - 1. City Council Meeting – October 20, 2020
- B. Approval of City Check Register
- C. Licenses:
  - 1.
- D. Minutes of Boards and Commissions:
  - 1.
- E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:
  - 1.
- F. Acceptance of Grants and Donations:
  - 1.
- G. MnDOT Winnetka to Glenwood – Limited Use Permit and Resolution
- H. Approve Professional Services to Update City's 5-Year MS4 Stormwater Permit
- I. Appoint Police Task Force Members

### 4. Public Hearing

- A. Public Hearing - Zoning Text Amendment - R-2 Text Amendment (adding Townhouses) [tentative]

### 5. Old Business



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**6. New Business**

All Ordinances listed under this heading are eligible for public input.

- A. Review of Council Calendar
- B. Mayor and Council Communications
  - 1. Other Committee/Meeting updates

**7. Adjournment**

# City Council/Manager

November 10, 2020 – 6:30 pm

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

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### Pages

1. 25 Mile Per Hour Speed Limit Discussion
2. Review 2021 Master Fee Schedule
3. Amendment to the Hennepin County Residential Recycling Grant Agreement
4. Council Review of Future Draft Agendas:

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# City Council

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

November 17, 2020 – 6:30 pm

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
- B. Acceptance of Human Services Commission annual report (RICK WILL CONFIRM TITLE)

Pages

### 2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

### 3. Consent Agenda

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- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - 1. City Council Meeting – November 4, 2020
- B. Approval of City Check Register
- C. Licenses:
  - 1.
- D. Minutes of Boards and Commissions:
  - 1.
- E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:
  - 1. 2021-2022 Tree Trimming and Removal with Contractor
  - 2. Award Contractor Contract for the 2020 Pond Maintenance Project
- F. Acceptance of Grants and Donations:
  - 1.
- G. Designate Polling Places for the 2021 Election Cycle Res. 20-

### 4. Public Hearing

### 5. Old Business

### 6. New Business

All Ordinances listed under this heading are eligible for public input.

- A. First Consideration – Amendment to the 2021 Master Fee Schedule
- B. Review of Council Calendar
- C. Mayor and Council Communications
  - 1. Other Committee/Meeting updates



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**7. Adjournment**

# Housing & Redevelopment Authority

December 1, 2020 – 6:30 pm

## SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

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### Pages

1. **Call to Order**
  - A. Roll Call
2. **Approval of Agenda**
3. **Consent Agenda**
4. **Public Hearing**
5. **Old Business**
6. **New Business**
  - A. Adoption of the HRA 2021 Budget and Levy for a Housing Program
7. **Adjournment**



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# City Council

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

December 1, 2020 – 6:30 pm

### 1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call

Pages

### 2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

### 3. Consent Agenda

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- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - 1. City Council Meeting – November 17, 2020
- B. Approval of City Check Register
- C. Licenses:
  - 1.
- D. Minutes of Boards and Commissions:
  - 1.
- E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:
  - 1.
- F. Acceptance of Grants and Donations:
  - 1.
- G. Authorize MOU with Xcel Energy for PIE Phase II Plan Implementation
- H. Adoption of 2021-2022 Budgets for Enterprise, Special Revenue, and Internal Services Funds
- I. Adoption of 2021-2030 Capital Improvement Program

### 4. Public Hearing

- A. Adoption of the 2021-2022 General Fund Budget and Property Tax Levies for Taxes Payable 2021

### 5. Old Business

### 6. New Business

All Ordinances listed under this heading are eligible for public input.

- A. Approve Consent and Authorization for the HRA Tax Levy Payable in 2021
- B. Second Consideration – Amendment to the 2021 Master Fee Schedule



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- C. Review of Council Calendar
- D. Mayor and Council Communications
  - 1. Other Committee/Meeting updates

## **7. Adjournment**

# City Council/Manager

December 8, 2020 – 6:30 pm

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

### Pages

1. Discussion of Review of the 2021 Legislative Policies
2. Review Employee Handbook Updates
3. Section 8 Housing Ordinance
  
4. Council Review of Future Draft Agendas: City Council December 15, 2020, City Council January 5, 2021 , Council/Manager January 12, 2021

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## City Council

December 15, 2020 – 6:30 pm

### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

#### 1. Call to Order

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
- C. Presentation of Bill Hobbs Award
- D. Presentation of MLK Human Rights Contest Winners

Pages

#### 2. Additions and Corrections to Agenda

#### 3. Consent Agenda

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- A. Approval of Minutes:
  - 1. City Council Meeting – December 1, 2020
- B. Approval of City Check Register
- C. Licenses:
  - 1. Approve Cigarette/Tobacco License Renewals
  - 2. Approve Therapeutic Massage Facility License Renewals
- D. Minutes of Boards and Commissions:
  - 1.
- E. Approval of Bids, Quotes and Contracts:
  - 1. Purchase of a Dump Truck
  - 2. Purchase of Two Police Vehicles
  - 3. Approve Contract with Audit Service (SUE VIRNIG TENTATIVE)
- F. Acceptance of Grants and Donations:
  - 1.
- G. Approval of Employee Handbook Updates

#### 4. Public Hearing

- A.

#### 5. Old Business

#### 6. New Business

All Ordinances listed under this heading are eligible for public input.

- A. Approval of 2021 Legislative Policies
- B. Review of Council Calendar
- C. Mayor and Council Communications



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1. Other Committee/Meeting updates

**7. Adjournment**