

Worksession  
March 1, 2017  
Municipal Center – EOC

- Call to Order                   The Champlin City Council met in Worksession and was called to order by Mayor Ryan Karasek at 6:00 p.m.
- Roll Call                        Present were Mayor Ryan Karasek and Councilmembers Jessica Tesdall (Ward 1), Eric Johnson (Ward 2) attended remotely from 7035 E. Russel Street, Mesa, AZ, Nate Truesdell (Ward 3) arrived at 6:45 p.m., and Councilmember Ryan Sabas (Ward 4).
- Absent: none.
- Staff Present: City Administrator Bret Heitkamp, Community Development Director John Cox, City Clerk Roberta Colotti, City Planner Scott Schulte, Park Facilities Manager Charlie Lehn, Public Works Supervisor Chris Rachner, and Police Chief Dave Kolb.
- Approval of Agenda        Motion by Councilmember Tesdall and seconded by Councilmember Truesdell to approve the agenda (March 1, 2017)           for the March 1, 2017 Worksession as presented. Voting in favor were Mayor Karasek, Councilmembers Tesdall, Johnson and Truesdell. Voting against: none. Motion carried.
- Motion
- Work Plan Priority        **Topic #1**  
Planning Session        **What is Champlin’s Why?**
- Mayor Karasek asked the City Council to begin with an exercise in examining the following questions:
- What is Champlin’s Why?
- What is our Purpose
  - What is our Course
  - What is our Belief
- The Council summarized their sentiment as a belief in being a good neighbor when delivering services, supporting the promotion of meeting spaces to foster the hometown feel that exists in Champlin, and building on the sense of place that has been created by the park reserve/river/land use boundaries that exist.
- Meeting the needs of local residents through the development of retail/commercial businesses and infrastructure that serve the local area vs. becoming a regional draw through retail/commercial development and infrastructure designed to accommodate a larger regional population was prioritized by the Council.
- Topic #2**  
**Mississippi Crossings/Commons**
- The Community Development Director presented an overview of the Mississippi Crossings/Commons project, delineating the project area, phases, and financials.
- Phase One** – Includes the United Properties Agreement, Infrastructure improvements, Trail and a Dock. Furthermore it includes the parcel near the bridge that has been identified for Office/Retail.
- Council Consensus**
- It was the consensus of the Council to deny the request of United Properties to expand their area to allow for a second drive isle, and to explore options for a zero lot line/tuck under parking and possible small scale restaurant/food service business on the parcel near the bridge. To direct staff to prepare cost estimates and a parking analysis for the proposed dock in front of the United Properties building in order to make a future determination on whether the dock will be public or private.
- Central “Crossings Parcel”** – Includes Miller Road Extension and a Hwy. Parcel redevelopment plan.

### **Council Direction**

Three of the Councilmembers favored developing this area with a community oriented multi-use development and two members favored developing the area to the south with retail and the north with multi-family housing (upscale townhomes). Staff was directed to prepare a report outlining several concept plans including details on tax generation, performance and parking.

**Mississippi Commons** - The Community Development Director asked if the Council wanted staff to approach restaurant operators or multi-tenant building developers in selling the identified "restaurant" site, noting that they are different.

### **Council Direction**

The Council directed staff to prepare a study with design options for a restaurant (including a rooftop restaurant), and commercial/banquet use for future consideration by the Council.

The City Administrator requested Council direction on the tree removal plan for the Mississippi Crossings/Commons area.

### **Council Consensus**

It was the consensus of the Council to remove the trees in the Mississippi Crossings/Commons area as presented this evening.

### **Topic #3 Branding**

Councilmember Tesdall presented information on a branding campaign for the City of Champlin. The timeframe was structured around the launch of the brand with the PSA's that will be made as part of the Mann Theatre agreement, set for September 2017. She defined how marking plays into branding.

### **Council Direction**

The Council requested that the City Administrator work with Councilmember Tesdall to prepare a report for a future Work Session regarding Branding for continued discussion.

### **Topic #4 Police Department Succession Planning**

The Police Chief requested Council direction on the proposal to promote the Deputy Chief to Chief when he retires this summer and to prepare for the promotion of a Sergeant to Deputy Chief and an Officer to Sergeant.

### **Council Consensus**

It was the consensus of the Council to support the succession plan as presented with direction to the City Administrator to set up an interview with the City Council for the Deputy Chief prior to finalizing the appointment.

### **Topic #5 Bik Patrol**

Councilmember Sabas stated that he supports the bike patrol, recognizing that it provides a unique patrol service as well as community building aspect. He requested that the Council consider expanding this program.

The Police Chief stated that he would prepare a report outlining the costs and available staffing for consideration of the Council at a future Work Session.

### **Topic #6 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. Street Parking Restrictions**

Councilmember Sabas asked the Council to define the benefits of the 2 a.m.-6 a.m. on-street parking restrictions being year round vs. seasonal with a 24 parking limit.

It was identified that residents have the option to receive a limited number of exemptions to the parking restrictions, that a seasonal ban would require additional notice when the season starts, and that a 24-hour limit would require the police to track the time on the street. An example of a burglary that was facilitated using a car left on the street for three days in a neighboring community was cited as an example of a public safety benefit of having the streets cleared each night.

**Council Consensus**

It was the consensus of the Council to maintain the current year-round 2 a.m.-6 a.m. parking restrictions.

**Topic #7**

**Winter Festival/Annual Holiday Celebration/FHF**

Mayor Karasek suggested that the City Council consider developing a Winter Festival or Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony in 2017.

The City Planner suggested that such an event begin with the Mississippi Commons grand opening and become an annual event after that.

The Public Works Supervisor and Park Facility Manager discussed the current year budget and staffing allocations in relation to implementing such an event in 2017 vs. 2018. They also asked that future discussion consider how a Winter event would impact the current Father Hennepin Festival programing.

**Council Direction**

It was the direction of the City Council not to consider any Winter/Holiday Events for 2017 and staff was directed to put together a plan for winter activities as part of the 2018 budget discussion.

Adjournment

The Champlin City Council adjourned the Worksession at 9:37 p.m.

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Ryan Karasek, Mayor

Attest:

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Roberta Colotti, CMC, City Clerk