

Worksession
September 2, 2015
Municipal Center – EOC

- Call to Order The Champlin City Council met in Worksession and was called to order by Mayor ArMand Nelson at 6:01 p.m.
- Roll Call Present were Mayor ArMand Nelson and Councilmembers Eric Johnson, Kara Terry, Ryan Karasek and Bruce Miller.
- Absent: none.
- Staff Present: City Administrator Bret Heitkamp, Community Development Director John Cox, City Engineer Tim Hanson and Police Chief Dave Kolb.
- Approval of Agenda Motion by Councilmember Karasek and seconded by Councilmember Miller to approve the agenda for the September 2, 2015 Worksession as presented. Voting in favor were Mayor Nelson, Councilmembers Johnson, Terry, Karasek, and Miller. Voting against: none. Motion carried.

Work Plan Priority
Planning Session #3

Topic #1
Elm Creek Dam Reconstruction

The City Administrator and City Engineer updated the City Council on the re-construction process associated with the Elm Creek Dam. They presented several change orders anticipated on the project, as well as reviewing the amended project schedule. It was presented that a substantial completion date of May 2016 is anticipated. The extension of the project timeline will also postpone the re-opening of West River Road until June 1, 2016.

Requested Follow-up

The City Council directed staff to utilize the City’s website, newsletter and social media to notify the residents that West River Road would not be re-opened until June 1, 2016.

Topic #2
Mississippi Crossings: Redevelopment Update

Staff updated the City Council on the discussions with Doran Co. and their redevelopment proposal associated with the Mississippi Crossings proposal.

Topic #3
City Council & Advisory Commission Bus Tour

The Community Development Director recommended that the City Council consider coordinating a City Council and Advisory Commission bus tour to provide an opportunity to further review several of the development projects being considered in the future.

Requested Follow-up

The Council directed staff to review possible tour dates for this fall.

Topic #4
Public Safety

The City Council requested that the Police Chief provide an update regarding the state of public safety and more specifically, the status of crime encountered throughout the City in 2015.

The Police Chief indicated that he didn’t feel there were any specific trends in crime either upward or downward in 2015. But he would provide more information at the October 8th Budget Worksession.

Topic #5
Affordable Senior Housing Proposal

Staff updated the City Council on discussions with Dominion regarding an affordable senior housing project being proposed in the Elm Creek Commons Development.

Staff indicated that Dominion and the property owners (MBY) have a negotiated purchase agreement and that the proposed deal would require a subsidy contribution from the City.

Council Consensus

It was the consensus of the City Council to continue to review the proposal and direct staff to require Dominion to provide a market study to prove that their project would not adversely impact the sale or future expansion of the Mill Pond Gables senior housing facility

Adjournment

The Champlin City Council adjourned the Worksession at 8:00 p.m.

ArMand Nelson, Mayor

Attest:

Roberta Colotti, CMC, City Clerk