



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF STACY IN THE COUNTY OF CHISAGO AND THE  
STATE OF MINNESOTA PURSUANT TO DUE CALL AND NOTICE  
THEREOF**

**REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 11, 2024 7:00 p.m.  
33155 HEMINGWAY AVENUE, STACY MN 55079**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Utecht at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance**

**Present City Council:** Mark Utecht, Tim Sawatzky, Dennis Thieling, Carolyn Cagle, Jeff Barrett

**Absent:** None

**Others Present:** James Monge, Dan Boyum, Michelle Hayes, Angie Comstock, and Troy Nelson

**Public:** Matt Silver, Jim Ness, Dick Stiers, Michele McLane, Jeff Selvog, the Cash's, and other members of the public.

**Additions to the Agenda**

The following items were added to the agenda:

06C11-Annexed Employees Vacation Time  
06D4-Falcon Avenue South Right of Way

Motion by M. Utecht to approve the agenda as amended. Second by D. Thieling Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Public Comment**

Resident D. Stiers asked if there was anything to be done to get the TV screen working at the back of the Council Chamber so the public could see items being shown more easily. The clerks' department will look into this, but Mayor Utecht asked that expenses be kept in mind because the Council Chambers may be changed in the future.

**Consent Agenda**

Member T. Sawatzky said the May 14, 2024 minutes indicated that he said to use the hotbox for crack filling. He said that he did say to use the hot box, but it was not for crack filling. He also pointed out that under the former City Clerk, the minutes were sent out after they were drafted so that the Council could review them and provide feedback prior to the minutes being uploaded to the Council packet. Mayor Utecht asked if the clerks' department could accommodate that and the Deputy Clerk said yes.

Motion by M. Utecht to approve the consent agenda with the correction proposed by T. Sawatzky. Second by J. Barrett. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried

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**Staff Reports**

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**City Attorney**

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**James Mongé**

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The City Attorney had nothing specific on the agenda to report on. The Council requested he be present for discussion on agenda item 9A and C2.

Once these items were handled, Mayor Utecht asked the Council if there was anything else they wanted to discuss with the Attorney. Member T. Sawatzky brought up an email that was sent out from the clerks' department a couple of weeks ago regarding enforcement and the Planning Commission. His question was if someone on the Commission wanted to act as part-time enforcement, would they be able to be considered an employee and a Planning Commission member? The City Attorney confirmed that they could not be both, it would need to be one of the other. Member T. Sawatzky said he knew the Lent Planning Commission would often have members do some portion of enforcement, so if they still wanted to do that, how would the city move them into that role? Mayor Utecht stated they would need to be hired as an employee. The City Attorney said that the issue is that if the person on the Planning Commission needed to appear before the Commission to provide testimony, it would have an appearance of bias. Member C. Cagle asked that if a person was hired to do this, and attended planning commission meetings to provide information like staff does, would this be acceptable and the City Attorney agreed. There were no further questions for the City Attorney.

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**City Engineer**

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**Dan Boyum**

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There were no questions on the monthly report, but the City Engineer was present for discussion on agenda item D3.

Member D. Thieling advised the City Engineer that the new fence at Rupp Mini Storage was not placed as indicated on the diagram the Council received. He also stated that mowing and trash cleanup has not happened either. The Engineer said that he would follow up on the fence placement and cleanup and that he could do a site visit if necessary.

# Monthly Engineering Report

## 1. Stacy General (193804175)

### • Miscellaneous Items

#### i. Miscellaneous Operations and Public Works Items

1. Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI) – We have started work on the LSLI that is being paid for by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). Since the last council meeting, city staff confirmed the meter replacement company is not charging any extra cost for taking pictures of the existing water service piping and meter. As they replace the meters, these are taking the following pictures as part of their process:
  - a. Address of home
  - b. Picture of new meter number
  - c. Picture of existing meter before they do their work (this helps for LSLI)
  - d. Picture of the meter after the new one is installed
  - e. Picture of new meter with 2-gallon reading
  - f. Picture of new meter with final reading

As of the end of the week of May 31, 2024, there appears to be around 195-meter replacements completed. A final LSLI will need to be submitted by July 15, 2024 to the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH).

2. Dust control – I routed staff a spreadsheet for their use in calculating gallons of material and cost per street given a price per gallon and rate of application.
  3. Falcon Avenue trees and no parking signs - We staked the north ROW of 5183 Fawn Lake Drive and a 33' prescriptive use line along the west side of Falcon Avenue. We did a title search of the property, and no easement or ROW is listed for Falcon Avenue. We provided staff feedback on offset distance from the roadway for no parking signs.
  4. Road Improvements – we provided a map showing past street improvements in the original Stacy area. We also provided project cost estimates for mill and overlay and reclaim and overlay improvements on various streets. We reviewed information from the special meeting on May 28. We will provide staff with recommendations for roadway improvements and costs.
  5. Zoning Map update – We combined the two agency's zoning maps into one map. We are editing some colors and roadway listings.
- ii. **Indoor and Outdoor Storage Facility** – The property owner has submitted a memo with pictures showing: (1) two new fences, (2) changed pickets to face east on the previously installed fence, (3) shielding of lights on east side of building, and (4) landscaping on the west side of the facility. They updated us on their spring 2024 cleanup. We asked for a few more pictures and a markup of the landscape plan.
  - iii. **AT&T Cell Tower Work** – responded to staff questions on equipment replacement.
  - i. **Midco ROW Permits for Cable (339<sup>th</sup> Street)** – We reviewed permits and submitted information for permit pricing to staff.
  - ii. **NorthStar/Structis Business Park Site** – We reviewed information from public works and contacted the property owner on site issues related to erosion control and restoration.
  - iii. **Simpson Motorsports at Wheelhouse Commons Site CUP** – We are reviewing their CUP application.
  - iv. **5370 Athens Trail - A1 Storage CUP** – We are reviewing their CUP application.
  - v. **Revived Iron Business Park Site** – we responded to preliminary inquiries on parking lot expansions.
  - vi. **Xcel Energy ROW permits (4420 320<sup>th</sup> Street, 31750 Frontier Avenue, and Sunrise Drive/Sunrise Estates)** – we reviewed permits for emergency electrical repair and residential drops at these locations.
  - vii. **35586 Falcon Avenue – Pole Barn** – The city planner reviewed zoning code items (setback, etc.) with the application.
  - viii. **SVC Fence Permit** – the city planner reviewed information related to their fence permit.

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City Clerk/Finance  
Department

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**Stacy Lions Temp. Liquor Permit for Stacy Daze**

Motion by M. Utecht to approve the permit as presented. Second by D. Thieling. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Stacy Lions Temp. Liquor Permit for A1 Ribfest**

This item was handled out of order by motion of M. Utecht. Second by D. Thieling. Motion carried. Mayor Utecht asked the City Attorney if he had reviewed the agenda item. The Attorney said he reviewed the agenda, but not that particular item. Mayor Utecht asked that the service area map be brought up on the screen and pointed out that the entire parking lot was indicated as the service area, leaving no area for parking. He doesn't think it is legal to drink in a parking lot, so they would need to fence off the parking lot to have that as the service area, with no vehicles parked in there. The Attorney agreed that it needed to be a separate continuous area to be legal.

The Deputy Clerk advised that when she received the liquor license application there was not a map included, so she contacted A1 to try to get an idea of the service area. The person she talked to wasn't clear, so the map was generated using the largest assumed area. She also advised that the special event permit required by the former Township was submitted that day to the clerks' department.

Mayor Utecht said that the City would work with A1 on this event, and a new, more specific map would need to be provided. Jeff Selvog, the owner of A1 was present. He asked about the car show, and if that could be part of the service area. He also asked about the contestants for the rib contest and the fact that some have vehicles attached to their smoker trailers. Mayor Utecht felt that vehicles could not be present in the service area, due to the ordinance about no alcohol consumption in parking lots, but because the contest area is outside the service area, it should be ok. The state statute is to control the alcohol service area, and J. Selvog said that the Lions do provide wristbands for those purchasing and drinking alcohol. Mayor Utecht asked the City Attorney to check into the car show questions, and he confirmed that AGED would be contacted. J. Selvog said a new map would be provided detailing the alcohol service area and parking in time for the next City Council meeting.

**Resolution 2024-6-1 Governing Write-In Voting**

Mayor Utecht asked if this means that we ignore write-in votes if the total number of write-ins is less than the lowest vote-getter. The clerks' department verified this, and Mayor Utecht said he does not support it because if it is a close race, write-ins cannot be ignored. The clerks' department advised that this came from the Chisago County Auditor's Office and that there was an alternate version. They will bring the alternate version and the statute to the Council for review at the next meeting.

**Schedule Department Head Reviews for July**

Department Head reviews were scheduled for July 17th, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Employee self-reviews will be due by July 3rd, 2024.

Mayor Utecht explained the review process. The clerks' department was directed to get the review forms out to the department heads.

**Non-Certified Maintenance Supervisor Review Form for Approval**

Motion by M. Utecht to approve the non-certified maintenance supervisor review form. Second by T. Sawatzky. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried

**Claim Reimbursement Form Draft**

Motion by M. Utecht to approve the claim reimbursement form. Second by D. Thieling. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried

**Agenda Memo-Lent Town Hall Hours**

Motion by M. Utecht to end scheduled staff hours at the Lent Town Hall. Second by J. Barrett. Member J. Barrett stated he assumed that a notice would be put on the door at the hall advising residents to visit or call City Hall. He asked if the Council should consider having office hours at the City Hall on Fridays. The clerks' department advised that if staff does come in on Fridays, it is used as a catch-up day without interruptions. Member J. Barrett said it was just an idea that could be explored in the future. Member C. Cagle said that maintenance will need to keep an eye on the Town Hall to ensure there are no issues and take care of things. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Agenda Memo-Gambling Ordinance**

Mayor Utecht asked if the Lions were currently using the gambling premise at Station on 17. The clerks' department confirmed that they had spoken to the Lions about this, but it was unclear if it was currently in use. Their gambling manager indicated that they may be willing to vacate the permit for this location if they could be permitted for the Doyle Building. The City Code only allows for three gambling premises permits, and as a result of the annexation, there are four currently. Mayor Utecht stated that if the Station on 17 permit is in use, he would be open to updating the code. He felt the Lions should be able to conduct gambling at the Doyle Building as well. The clerks' department was instructed to draft a revision to the gambling ordinance created to allow five premises permits within the City and to follow up with the Lions Club to see if the current permit at Station on 17 is in use, or planned to be in use.

**Agenda Memo-Committee Discussion**

Planning Commission Chair J. Ness was present for the discussion about a potential cannabis committee. Chair J. Ness reviewed the information provided by the clerks' department and stated that clarity will be needed on what the purpose of the committee would be. There are two things he feels need to be looked at due to the updated timeline for cultivation. Commercial cannabis cultivation is going to fall under greenhouses. Greenhouses within the City Agricultural zone require a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), however, in the Township Rural Residential Agricultural zone, a CUP is not required for greenhouses and they are permitted. The Council will need to decide if they want to require anyone growing cannabis

have to have a CUP, so at the Planning Commission level, they can figure out how to implement that into the ordinances accordingly. The second part is the dispensaries and whether the Council would like to see it front facing in the City's business districts (Central and General Business), or if they would rather see it implemented into Light Industrial. Chair Ness said that the purpose of such a committee needs to be clearly defined as to whether they would be drafting ordinances or holding public hearings, because per City Ordinance, Public Hearings fall under the Planning Commission and City Council, so that would need to be revised if it is to be one of the Committee's duties. He felt that once the League issues guidance and model ordinances on cannabis, a joint meeting may need to be held with the Commission and Council to provide direction, but then the Planning Commission can move forward with the process. Mayor Utecht agreed that the PH should take place at the PC level so they can provide recommendations to the Council and that the proposed committee could be a fact-finding committee to do the initial research to figure out what the state is doing, but he does not feel that a committee is necessary at this point. In terms of cultivation, Chair J. Ness said that recreational growers are going to be treated the same as those growing for medical purposes in the eyes of the state, which are stringent. Mayor Utecht said given that, he didn't think that the City needed to do anything. Member J. Barrett brought up extending the moratorium, and Chair J. Ness was not sure that was possible. The clerks' department was asked to follow up with the City Attorney on potentially extending the moratorium. Chair J. Ness said that he felt that the Council should consider requiring a CUP for the dispensaries, at least initially, but didn't feel it was necessary for the cultivation aspect. Member J. Barrett asked if the Council would want to know where people are growing and Chair J. Ness said that was up to the Council. Mayor Utecht said that he felt the dispensaries should be front-facing because that is where the Chisago County Sheriff's Office patrols, and that there should be a CUP so that hours can be limited amongst other conditions.

Motion by M. Utecht to appoint Accounting Clerk Amber Lozier to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Second by C. Cagle. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Finance Director Michelle Hayes explained the statutory requirements outlined in the memo, particularly the requirement to have three people from the City involved in the Relief Association, the Fire Chief, and two additional that can be from the City Council or staff members. Member D. Thieling has already been appointed to the Association. Mayor Utecht stated that he is willing to join, but if someone else wanted to, he would be ok with that. Member J. Barrett said he is willing to be a part of the committee. More discussion was had about the Relief and statutory requirements. The clerks' department will work with Members D. Thieling and J. Barrett to get information on when the Fire Relief Association

meets.

**Vacation Request-Michelle Hayes**

Motion by T. Sawatzky to approve the vacation request as presented. Second by M. Utecht. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Annexed Employee's Vacation Time**

In the Township, paid time off was awarded in a lump sum on January 1 of each year. The City is on an accrual basis for paid time off. A former Township employee feels like they got vacation taken away because they didn't get two full weeks on January 1, 2024. Discussions during the annexation agreement process was that the benefits provided would revert to the City's method for paid time off. This was discussed at the personnel meeting, and they determined that they would like to grant the second week as a lump sum on July 1, 2024, and no longer accrue through the rest of the year. On January 1, 2025 they will begin to accrue again. This will be granted one time as part of the transition process related to the annexation.

Motion by M. Utecht to grant one week of paid time off on July 1, 2024, to the two former Township employees who came into the City and are eligible for two weeks of paid time off in a year, knowing that there won't be any accrual of paid time off from July 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024. Accrual will begin again on January 1, 2025. Member T. Sawatzky verified that there are only two eligible employees. Second by J. Barrett. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried

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**Maintenance Department**

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**Mower Quote**

Motion by M. Utecht authorizing the maintenance supervisor to follow through on the mower quote as presented. Second by T. Sawatzky. There was a discussion on the funds remaining in the budget provided by the Finance Director. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Lift Station Upgrade Quote**

Mayor Utecht verified with the Finance Director that there are water asset reserve funds to help pay for this. Motion by T. Sawatzky to move forward with the quote as presented. Second by M. Utecht. Member T. Sawatzky asked if there had been a buyback price included in the quote and said that they would usually take the old one and pay some amount for it. Maintenance Supervisor T. Nelson said he would check in with the representative on that. Member J. Barrett verified that the lift station being discussed was the same one talked

about last month that was slightly different from the others and T. Nelson confirmed it was. T. Nelson also suggested that the Council consider getting a strainer basket for that lift station, which would also help prevent further clogs. Images were shown of how the strainer basket works. Mayor Utecht said he was on board with this if it would save on service calls and service interruptions and asked Member T. Sawatzky if he wanted to amend his motion. Member T. Sawatzky said he would prefer a secondary motion because he had an additional question. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes on the motion as stated above. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Member T. Sawatzky asked if strainers could be beneficial to add to all lift stations and get a quote on installing three instead of just one. T. Nelson said it could be helpful. Mayor Utecht asked if it would be ok to delay the baskets until next month when there is a quote to review, and T. Nelson said that was fine. T. Nelson will obtain a quote on a basket for each lift station for the next Council meeting.

**Road Paving Quote for Discussion**

This item was handled out of order by motion of M. Utecht. Second by T. Sawatzky. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Member T. Sawatzky asked the Engineer if he had seen the road paving quote and the Engineer confirmed he had. Member T. Sawatzky asked how he felt about it and D. Boyum said that the pricing was lower than what his firm had put together, but they had included project costs and contingencies, and this was construction costs. He felt it was good information that would be helpful moving forward and the pricing seemed reasonable.

Mayor Utecht said he did not trust the quote because soil borings had not been performed by the company and he did not want another issue like the work that was done in the City on 307th.

Member J. Barrett asked about the cost of soil borings and if that would increase the quote. The Engineer estimates up to \$5,000 depending on what the contractor deems necessary. He also brought up that the quote specifically says that the quote does not include any subgrade correction or the addition of any additional aggregate base, which could lead to changes and extra costs. Mayor Utecht asked if this was a best-case scenario when it comes to fixing these roads, and the Engineer agreed. Maintenance Supervisor T. Nelson said that this goes back to last month's meeting, and it is continuing. He would like to see parameters set for the work to be done on the roads so that the appropriate borings can be taken and quotes can be received based on specific parameters set by the City. The City Engineer was instructed to determine the appropriate tonnage and repair for the roads in question and provide recommendations to the Council.

**Falcon Avenue South Right of Way**

The Council reviewed the quote for tree removal and Mayor Utecht asked if the City was responsible for the trees or if it is the property



owner. He recollects that there were trees in the right of way at a different location and they were the property owner's responsibility. T. Nelson advised that there is no one living on the property and the owner is trying to sell it. Mayor Utecht asked the clerks' department to get an opinion on this from the City Attorney. Motion by M. Utecht authorizing the maintenance department up to \$5, 515 to remove trees included in the quote presented only if the City Attorney says they are the City's responsibility. Second by T. Sawatzky for discussion. Member T. Sawatzky said that moving forward, we need to figure out who gets charged for service and who does not. We also need to require a bond from contractors. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

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**Liquor Operations**

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Mayor Utecht and Member T. Sawatzky provided an update on the Liquor Operations meeting. The new on-sale manager has hit the ground running, and they may have found a front of house assistant manager that everyone is familiar with.

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**Committee/Commissions**

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**CLJSTC**

Member T. Sawatzky provided an update on CLJSTC.

**Personnel**

The Committee met today and talked about the vacation issue and the pay matrix. Member J. Barrett has put together a presentation that was reviewed by Mayor Utecht. Mayor Utecht proposed setting a special meeting to review Member J. Barrett's proposal. The special meeting was set for Monday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. He asked the Council to please review the material before the meeting and come with their questions.

**Public Info**

The Deputy Clerk provided an update on the .gov application and the new website.

**June Newsletter Draft**

Motion by C. Cagle to approve the newsletter with the proposed revisions regarding Town Hall hours. Second by D. Thieling. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Parks & Recreation**

Member C. Cagle provided an update on the Parks & Recreation meeting and the grant the committee is researching. Member C. Cagle and Accounting Clerk A. Lozier met with Prairie Restorations to get a consultation. They had to shift from the original location proposed due to proximity to a residential area and looked at the area between Reiger Field and the Stacy Ponds Trail instead. There was also discussion on the last lot in the Stacy Ponds Business park and using that as a trailhead parking area.

**History Committee**

The History Committee has not met.

**EDA**

The EDA has not met.

**Planning Commission**

Member T. Sawatzky provided an update from the last regular planning commission meeting including discussions on a lot split and a review of the respective Stacy and Lent sign ordinances. He did not attend the work meeting.

**5475 320th St. Preliminary Plat**

The Cash's were present for the discussion and felt that establishing access to the parcel was not necessary for approval of the subdivision because they did not know what the new owner's intention was for the property. Member T. Sawatzky stated that it was a recommendation from the Commission, not a condition of the split. Motion by M. Utecht to approve the preliminary plat as presented. Second by T. Sawatzky. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Emergency Plan**

The Emergency Plan committee hasn't met.

**Lent Town Hall Rental Committee**

The Lent Town Hall Rental committee hasn't met.

**Notices & Communications**

None.

**Old Business**

None.

**Cannabis in Public Spaces**

This item was handled out of order by motion of M. Utecht. Second by D. Thieling. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Mayor Utecht said that he reviewed both drafts presented, both the attorney's and the Planning Commission's, and he liked the pieces that the Planning Commission had added. With that said, he does not want to do anything with this and does not want the Council involved in policing it. Member J. Barrett asked if the ordinance wasn't passed, would people be allowed to use cannabis in the park, and Mayor Utecht confirmed. Member C. Cagle stated that people are not allowed to have alcohol in the park, and she doesn't feel that other mood-altering substances should be used in the park. She also feels that the City Council should take a stance on this.

Member J. Barrett asked the City Attorney if other municipalities are adopting ordinances prohibiting the use of cannabis in public spaces, and the Attorney said that it was about 50/50, some are, and some aren't. Member J. Barrett then stated that he agreed with Member C. Cagle and he feels that the city should have a statement on the books to indicate that cannabis use in parks would be frowned upon, to keep parks family-friendly. He provided information on a model ordinance that he had found on the League of Minnesota Cities website, which included a prohibition on edibles and beverages. Member J. Barrett

then proposed an amendment to (B) Prohibition of the Planning Commission draft in which it would read " It is unlawful to use, or consume any method of cannabis flower, cannabis products, lower potency hemp edibles or hemp-derived consumer products." Mayor Utecht asked how you would tell the difference between normal edible products and beverages and cannabis products. Member J. Barrett said he understood the issue there but wanted to put it out there as a value, and mentioned that we could talk with the Chisago County Sheriff's about enforcement and what that looks like.

Member D. Thieling said he would also add to the amendment by banning cannabis from any city-owned property. It was then pointed out that the municipal liquor store sells hemp-derived low-potency products and that the bar & grill should have the option to do so if they choose to. It was also pointed out that liquor store customers are not consuming cannabis products onsite, while the would be at the bar & grill should they decide to start carrying these products. Member C. Cagle said that was her original concern, customers bringing outside cannabis products into the bar & grill, and the potential issues that could arise. Mayor Utecht said that enforcement of edible products is nearly impossible and he did not be involved in enforcing that. Member T. Sawatzky pointed out that the reason the ordinance was delayed in the first place was to see if the issues came up around this.

Member J. Barrett proposed the amendment to include vaping and edibles because that verbiage was only at the beginning of the ordinance. The City Attorney said that the definition of cannabis products consists of all of the items in the amendment proposed by J. Barrett. J. Barrett said that he would drop the amendment in that instance. Mayor Utecht brought up Member D. Thieling's amendment to include all city-owned property and Member D, Thieling agreed that city-owned parks, ball fields, and sports fields is acceptable.

Motion by J. Barrett to accept the ordinance with the addition of sports fields and the definitions of Cannabis Paraphernalia and Edible Cannabis Products. Second by C. Cagle. Member D. Thieling asked about the patio at the bar & grill. Member J. Barrett said we can always add it if it becomes an issue, and a conversation about it should be had with the bar & grill manager. Member C. Cagle asked if there is a moratorium in place currently, and the City Attorney confirmed that there is one in place until September 12, 2024, and it is solely for cannabis business and cultivation, not use. Member D. Thieling asked if the city should consider extending the moratorium due to the early cultivation licenses that will be issued. There was a discussion, and it was decided to tackle that issue separately because there is time to do so. Member T. Sawatzky stated he would not be voting in favor of this ordinance, not because he is for or against it, but because he is neutral on this issue and does not want to make city residents into criminals. The City Attorney stated that violation of the ordinance is a petty misdemeanor which is technically not a crime in Minnesota. Members J. Barrett, C. Cagle, and D. Thieling voted yes. Members M.

Utecht and T. Sawatzky voted no. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried 3-2.

**New Business**

**Resolution 2024-6-2  
Adopting No Parking Zones**

Motion by M. Utecht to adopt Resolution 2024-6-2 Adopting No Parking Zones as presented. Second by D. Thieling. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

**Mayor/Council Business**

**Agenda Memo-Chisago  
County Commissioners  
Tour**

Mayor Utecht stated that everyone was welcome to attend and asked the clerks' department to post for a quorum of the Council. The Finance Director asked if the Council wanted the clerks' department to put together anything for the tour and Mayor Utecht said his priority was the bridge at the County Road 19 interchange with Interstate 35.

**Agenda Memo-Council  
Training Budget**

Motion by M. Utecht to approve up to \$500 per City Council member for training purposes. Second by J. Barrett. Members T. Sawatzky, D. Thieling, C. Cagle, J. Barrett, and M. Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried. Member T. Sawatzky asked if that could be increased if needed, and the Mayor said if anyone needed to increase their training budget to contact him.

**Mayor Planned Absence**

The Mayor stated that due to circumstances beyond his control, he will be out of town during Stacy Daze. Member D. Thieling may also have a previous commitment, so this will be discussed at the July meeting to determine who will have the Mayor's phone in his absence.

**Adjourned at 9:34 p.m.**

Mayor Utecht declared the meeting adjourned at 9:34 p.m.

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Angie Comstock, Deputy City Clerk