

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS  
MAY 5, 2020**

The meeting of the Council of the City of Vadnais Heights was held on the above date and called to order by Mayor Gunderson at 7:02 p.m.

Everyone present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Heidi Gunderson, Council Members: Craig Johnson, Bob Morse, Patricia Youker and Greg Urban.

The following members were absent: None.

Also present were: Kevin Watson, City Administrator, Tim Sandvik, Assistant City Administrator, Nolan Wall, Planning/Community Development Director, Chris Hearnden, Interim Fire Chief, Jesse Farrell, Public Works Director, Caroline Bell Beckman, City Attorney and Peggy Aho, Deputy City Clerk.

City Administrator Watson provided several announcements.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Urban offered an amendment to the May 5, 2020, to add Item #12F, Resolution – Open Minnesota, seconded by Johnson, it was

20-05-073 “RESOLVED that the Amended May 5, 2020 Regular Meeting Agenda be approved.”

Ayes – 5                      Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. April 21, 2020 Regular Meeting

Upon motion by Johnson, seconded by Urban, it was

20-05-074 “RESOLVED, to approve the April 21, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as presented.”

Ayes – 5                      Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Morse, seconded by Johnson, it was

20-05-075 “RESOLVED, that the Consent Agenda Items #7A-7D for the May 5, 2020 meeting be approved as follows:

- A. Consider Approving Claims #79203 Through #79251 and Electronic Claims #1492 Through #1496 for Payment
  - 1. U.S. Bank payment in the amount of \$3,797.99
- B. Consider Accepting Resignation of Firefighter Fertch
- C. Consider Waiving Catering Fee for VHEDC Annual Event
- D. Consider Staff’s Recommendation to Hire a Building Official – Phillip Marvets”

The resolution was adopted.

## OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Gunderson opened the floor to the public at 7:06 p.m. There being no one that wished to speak about items not on the agenda, Gunderson closed the floor at 7:06 p.m.

**PRESENTATION(S): None.**

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Planning Case 20-003: At Home Apartments, LLC – Rezoning, Final Planned Unit Development Plan, Site Plan Review at Unaddressed Parcel at County Highway 96/McMenemy Street

Planning/Community Development Director Wall reviewed the applicant’s request to allow construction of a proposed multi-family residential housing development on the subject property located at unaddressed parcel at County Highway 96/McMenemy Street. He discussed the applicants request to rezone the property from Office-Business (O-B) to Planned Unit Development (PUD), and reviewed their Final Planned Unit Development Plan and Site Plan Review.

Wall reviewed the planning process which included an informational Open House in December 2019 with surrounding property owners and then a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and concept PUD review before the Planning Commission at a Public Hearing on December 18, 2019 and a City Council Public Hearing in January 2020. There was an additional meeting as a result of the City Council tabling action at the January meeting, and ultimately additional discussion and action taken by the City Council on January 21, 2020 where they did approve both the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and passed along comments regarding the PUD review. Wall noted that

since that time, the Metropolitan Council has formally approved the Comprehensive Plan Amendment. Wall noted that the third step in the process is the final PUD, rezoning and site plan review processes. If approved by the Council, this project would be back for building permit approval. Wall noted that if the action requested is approved at this meeting, construction would occur in multiple phases, commencing later this spring and early summer and finishing in the fall of 2021.

Wall noted that the Planning Commission did recommend, unanimously, approval at their meeting in April and that the resolution of approval includes 19 additional conditions that the applicant will need to comply with.

Council Member Johnson said that during the last apartment construction there was a time limit in the construction agreement on how long it would take to complete the construction. Considering the residents' concerns about McMenemy views and Highway 96 views, he noted that the townhouses are scheduled to be built the year after the apartment complex and he would like to ensure that that occurs so that those views are as described in the renderings. Wall said he will defer that question to the applicant and they can talk about phasing of the project and the timeline.

Pete Keely, College Architects, said that they think it is a great site and that the At Home Apartment chain wishes to capture a different living opportunity, luxury and higher end market. He reviewed the landscaping plan and the look of the diverse building materials that will be used.

Leanne Stefaniak, At Home Apartments, noted that the IC System building is 57 feet in height. She said the reason they designed the layout they have proposed is to mask the size of the apartment building by transitioning from the neighborhood to their community. She said that they feel that the height of the apartment building is well covered. She noted that they took comments received from the public at the Open House and the Public Hearings and incorporated as much of the feedback as they could into the final design. She said that At Home hopes the City continues to see them as good partners and neighbors.

Gunderson opened the Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Andrew Malovrh, 4495 Foothill Trail. He apologized if there is redundancy in what he is going to speak about. He said regarding traffic, and he reread some communication from staff that came from Ramsey County regarding McMenemy being a County road and that the County would be the one to make any changes to the road. He said he is shocked that the County's precedence for change is only if a crash issue develops and movements become unsafe that then they would then look at restricting movements. He then said that Vadnais Heights has precedence related to building heights, and brought up discussions made during approval of the Aster Meadows site plan review. He said that staff said the adjacent IC System is approximately 30 feet tall and the Oak Grove office building is 18 feet tall. He said that there is clearly a discrepancy in the height of the IC System building and that per the heights recommended by City staff, that At Home Apartment building is

2 to 3 times the height of nearby buildings. He asked why the Council would change their precedence that was previously set to limit apartments to 3 stories.

There being no one else that wished to speak, Gunderson closed the Public Hearing at 7:54 p.m.

Wall responded to the concern of the resident, specific to McMenemy traffic comments saying that the comments regarding traffic were given to City staff from Ramsey County. He said that the City is limited in their ability to reasonably impart conditions on other jurisdictions' roadways. He noted that the County has to look at all of their facilities and they have limited investment dollars and based on the information they have gathered, and priorities they determined that nothing additional is warranted concerning conditions in that area. Wall noted that the City could do something with Oakwood Terrace, but as it relates to McMenemy.

Wall spoke about the percentage of building heights. He said it is true that Aster Meadows is a 3 story building, however, with the roof pitch it is much taller and closer to the road and has a larger visual presence. The proposed At Home building design drastically reduces the shock of it to the neighborhood. Wall said you have to weigh the context of the area and how the project is laid out. He said that IC System has elevations that are taller than others, but is well screened by trees, etc. The underlying zoning district is office-business and could have heights as high as 45 feet tall and 40 feet away from McMenemy Street.

Council Member Johnson asked if the Aster Meadows building at 3 stories required sprinkling. Interim Fire Chief Harden noted that the type of sprinkling was upgraded from a 13R to a 13.

Wall noted that there are two actions being requested by the Council. One an ordinance for the rezoning and the second, a Resolution that would approve the final PUD and site plan requests.

Council Member Urban said that he is glad to have somebody come out for the Public Hearing. He said he will support the project.

Johnson said he also supports the project. He said that he feels that this apartment building is set back a good distance from the road compared to the Aster Meadows buildings. He said that good planning for our residential areas would be single family, townhomes and maybe some six or eight plexes and apartments. He also said the corner could have had a hotel, but sees this business modal like a longer term hotel stay that will be well maintained for the long term with on-site staff.

Council Member Morse thanked the resident for coming out to talk to speak at the meeting. He said the Council worked really hard to figure out what to do with this project and looked at other alternatives. He noted that he is connected with senior issues and what needs to be done in the City to address their needs. He said that 44 % of Vadnais Heights population is baby boomers and he hears from a lot of residents that are

looking at downsizing and want to stay in the City but have nowhere to go. He also thinks it is a great site and that At Home is a great company. He noted that he will vote in favor of the project.

Council Member Youker also thanked the resident for coming out. She said that she thinks At Home will be a nice neighbor. They have gone the extra mile to answer all of our questions and coordinate what the City has asked of them. She said the City does have an aging population that want to stay in the area. This is the type of housing seniors in our area are used to. She said that she will be voting in favor of the project.

Gunderson also said she will be supporting the project and thanked the resident for coming out and for At Homes' patience in working with us to make sure that the community was heard. She said that the community input has helped make it a very good project.

Upon motion by Johnson, seconded by Morse, it was

20-05-076      “RESOLVED, that the Council adopt Ordinance No. 741, Amending the Official Zoning Map from Office-Business (O-B) to Planned Unit Development District (PUD); and further, that the Council adopts a Resolution Approving a Final Planned Unit Development Plan and Site Plan, for the Unaddressed Property (PID: 203022220016) located at the Southeast Corner of the County Highway 96 (CSAH 96)/McMenemy Street (CSAH 57) Intersection,”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- A.      Consider Extending the Emergency Declaration; Approve a Resolution Extending the Period of Local Emergency and Authorizing Necessary Expenditures on behalf of the City

City Administrator Watson reviewed the item and stated that the Local Emergency Declaration was originally set to expire May 15. He said that staff believe the Declaration should be extended through the 20<sup>th</sup> to give the Council time at its meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> to discuss the local emergency and whether or not to extend it further, pending decisions by the Governor. Council Member Urban said he is not in favor of extending it, and that he thinks when we began everything we didn't have a good idea how the City would be affected by the pandemic and things were fast moving. He said that the State is now at a point where things have generally stabilized and thinks we can come to the Council as a whole to make decisions. Watson said extending the local emergency would allow the Council, Commissions, etc. to hold digital/virtual meetings. Watson said also that retaining the ability to have virtual meetings may enable committees to continue to function because there are some members that aren't comfortable meeting in person.

Urban noted that he would only support the extension if we narrowed the scope to just allow virtual meetings. Watson said he thinks it's also important to extend the ability for him to have spending authority on COVID-19 issues. Mayor Gunderson asked if it they would disband the COVID-19 Task Force said she would be okay with disbanding the COVID-19 Task Force, if the Council agrees to make themselves available to come together to make decisions on an emergency basis. Watson noted that some decisions will need to be made soon regarding recreational activities.

Upon motion by Urban, seconded by Johnson, it was

20-05-077      “RESOLVED that the Council extend the period of the local emergency through May 20, 2020, specifically and only, to recognize that in-person meetings of the City Council, Planning Commission and other commissions of the City are not practical and directs that these meetings be conducted by telephone or electronic means, and that the Council authorizes City Administrator to make any and all expenditures necessary to deal with the local emergency on behalf of the City of Vadnais Heights.”

The resolution was approved.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A.      Planning Case 20-004: Gasparre Westwood Park, LLC – Zoning Code Amendment**

Planning/Community Development Director Wall noted that the applicant/owner is proposing an amendment to City Code Chapter 38, Article III, Division 4, concerning the Residence Three (R-3) District. He noted that Westwood Park Apartments is located at 669 County Road D and contains two buildings with a total of 48 units on approximately 3 acres. The applicant is requesting an amendment to City Zoning Code to allow them to construct an ancillary rental office/residential unit on the property. This is amendment is applicant driven, however, in certain circumstances staff takes their intent and formalizes it into an Ordinance for Council approval. He said that the Ordinance does meet all their needs and would be applied along the entire R-3 District.

Upon motion by Urban, seconded by Youker, it was

20-05-078      “RESOLVED that Council adopts Ordinance No. 742, Amending Chapter 38, Article III, Division 4, Section 38-155 of the City Zoning Code, Concerning Conditional Uses in the Residence Three District.”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

Upon motion by Johnson, seconded by Urban, it was

20-05-079 “RESOLVED that the Council approves a Resolution authorizing Publication of Ordinance No. 742 by Title and Summary.”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

B. Planning Case 20-005: Davis Group Real Estate Services Group, LLC – Variances and Site Plan Review at 3590 Arcade Street

Planning/Community Development Director Wall noted that the applicant/property owner is requesting setback variances and site plan review to construct a parking lot expansion at the Midwest ENT property. Wall noted that the subject property is an undeveloped remnant parcel from the park-and-ride facility to the east and was recently purchased by the applicant from the Metropolitan Council. The applicant also owns and developed the Midwest ENT medical-office building on the adjacent parcel to the west in 2018. Wall said that the proposed parking lot expansion is intended to be utilized by employees and for overflow, as needed.

Upon motion by Urban, seconded by Morse, it was

20-05-080 “RESOLVED that the Council adopts a Resolution Approving Variances and Site Plan for the Unaddressed Property (PID: 333022220037) located adjacent and to the east of 3590 Arcade Street.”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

C. Consider Executing a Cooperative and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Little Canada

Public Works Director/City Engineer Farrell noted that before the Council for consideration/approval is a resolution authorizing execution of a Cooperative and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Little Canada. He noted that the Agreement provides the framework for the City of Little Canada to lead the County Road D project, and establishes that each city is responsible for their respective cost share of the improvements and for maintaining said improvements.

Upon motion by Johnson, seconded by Youker, it was

20-05-081 “RESOLVED that the Council adopts a Resolution Approving the Cooperative and Maintenance Agreement with Little Canada for the 2020-3 County Road D Project and authorizes the Mayor and City Administrator to execute the Agreement.”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

D. Consider Executing an Ownership and Maintenance Agreement with Ramsey County

Public Works Director/City Engineer Farrell noted that the City received a request from Ramsey County's project engineer to enter into an Ownership and Maintenance Agreement with them in order to memorialize future responsibilities of the proposed trail which will be constructed on the north side of County Road D. Farrell noted that the City has agreed to plow the trail and the sidewalks that are adjacent to it. Council Member Johnson pointed out that the City needs to develop a plan to all of its trails.

Upon motion by Morse, seconded by Johnson, it was

20-05-082      "RESOLVED that the Council adopts a Resolution Approving the Ownership and Maintenance Agreement for the Trail along County Road D between Edgerton Street and Greenbrier Street with Ramsey County and authorized the Mayor and the Director of Public Works/City Engineer to execute the Agreement."

Ayes – 5                      Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

E. Setting Closed Session for May 7, 2020

City Administrator Watson noted that there is a Closed Session scheduled for May 7 at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the potential sale of the Garceau site.

F. Resolution – Open Minnesota

Council Member Urban noted that this Resolution he is proposing for Council consideration was discussed at today's Workshop. Urban said he feels the need to reopen Minnesota, safely, but he wants to do it and that he is not happy with the State's progress and that he thinks we can look towards opening a lot more businesses. Urban said the letter the Mayor handed out is quite similar to his Resolution. He said his goal is to move towards reopening the State. He said the closure affects a lot of people and that it is not fair that larger stores such as Walmart and Target are open and others aren't.

Mayor Gunderson replied that most of the Council agrees it is time to get our communities back into business. She said that she agrees in principal but not with the strategy. She said she thinks it would be better served to do this in partnership with our business community and that they are not aware of this resolution. She said she's not sure that this resolution advances the goals of the City and its residents. She said we can offer ideas and criticism to the Governor but if we demand, we may be mocked. She said that she is willing to further discuss the resolution but can't support the current tone of the resolution but if the Council can work amending it, she may get to where she can support it.

Urban said in the spirit of cooperation but when you look at what is going on at the State Capital there is not much of a republican influence and the cooperation isn't there. He

said that the Stay at Home order was put in place to flatten the curve and buy us time to allow the medical capacity to increase and that has been done. Urban said that time is of the essence. Urban said he would be willing to remove the line says the Minnesota Commissioner of Health announced that 99.24% of deaths are due to underlying chronic health conditions with an average age of 83 years old, et al. He said that the resolution he would bring forward for approval would have that language removed and the 'demand' changed to 'strongly encourage'.

Council Member Johnson said that sometimes we think what can little Vadnais Heights do, but sometimes it takes a voice and we were put on the Council to speak on behalf of the businesses and residents of the City. He said that he sees that everyone has been affected by this pandemic, the elderly and those with underlying conditions, and we need to take care of them, but we have to get back to our past lives and not the new normal. He feels strongly that a message right now is needed and that the timing of this message is important.

Council Member Youker said that in looking at the modals that currently are being uses, one goes until the end of May, so that leads her to think that the Stay at Home order will go through the end of May. She doesn't think the numbers we have from the CDC reflect what the Governors' modals say. She said that nationwide we've seen a drop in those affected. She thinks it's in the benefit of Vadnais Heights businesses and surrounding neighbors and the Minnesota businesses that the Council send this resolution off in support of Lakeville and others. She said we've waited long enough.

Council Member Morse quoted Ben Franklin, "If you choose safety over liberty pretty soon you will have neither". He will have to remind himself of that as well. He said that that there are layers to consider. He said that the resolution says strongly encourages all businesses should be allowed to open and he's not sure it should say all businesses. He thinks perhaps a tiered approach would be better. He said that common sense says that it shouldn't be all businesses. Morse also questioned whether the resolution should name Governor Walz or just say the office or Governor of Minnesota, so that it is a constitutional message rather than political. Urban said that he would amend the resolution by changing the language to read that the all businesses be allowed to open per CDC guidelines but will leave in the Governor's name because he feels that the Governor is single handily responsible.

Gunderson said that she thinks there are a lot of people that agree with our thinking and want the State to open back up, but there are a lot that believe the restrictions should be tightened. She said she doesn't understand why the last Whereas is in the resolution about the shutdown on April 30 despite the rate of deaths and that she thinks that statement is insensitive.

Urban said he would be okay with amending the language to take out the language "despite the rate of deaths in Minnesota being low and not increasing significantly". Gunderson also questioned the language in the 7<sup>th</sup> Whereas, selection of essential

businesses allowed to remain open has been extremely arbitrary with other similar businesses, et al. Urban said that the shutdown of certain businesses is shuttling people to a few businesses and increasing exposure. The Council discussed changes to the 7<sup>th</sup> Whereas and amended it to read: Whereas, the shutdown of businesses has been arbitrary and has disproportionately affected small businesses, which make up 44 percent of the economy. Many of these businesses may not reopen as a direct cause of government mandated shutdown.

Gunderson said she appreciates Council Member Urbans willingness to discuss the changes and make amendments to the resolution. She said she can support the resolution as revised.

Upon motion by Urban, seconded by Johnson, it was

20-05-083 “RESOLVED that the Council adopts a Resolution - Open Minnesota, as shown below.”

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

#### **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS**

**WHEREAS**, Governor Walz instituted a statewide shutdown and Stay at Home order on March 27, 2020 indicating Minnesota could face 74,000 deaths. He then extended the statewide shutdown again on April 8, 2020 indicating the state could face 20,000 deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, the primary reason for the Shutdown and Stay at Home order was to flatten the curve so that Minnesota's excellent healthcare industry could increase capacity to manage any surge. Those objectives have now been accomplished; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Walz announced on April 13, 2020 that the state would be reopened upon testing capability of 5,000 tests per day. On April 22, 2020 after an announced increase in testing capability to 20,000 tests per day, the state remained shut down; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor’s authority does not supersede the Constitution of the United States which among other things, guarantees the Rights of freedom to worship, to work and to freely assemble and raise grievances to the government without interference; and

**WHEREAS**, per Ramsey County Sheriff’s Office has stated the statewide shutdown has caused significant increases in drug abuse, mental health issues, suicides and domestic violence. In addition, large portions of the population have been pushed into poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, the shutdown of businesses has been arbitrary and has disproportionately affected small businesses, which make up 44 percent of the economy. Many of these businesses may not reopen as a direct cause of government mandated shutdown; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's selection of essential businesses allowed to remain open has been extremely arbitrary with other similar businesses and services unable to sell their products

even though they could maintain the same safety requirements that the larger essential businesses provide. Arguably, concentrating customers in a handful of businesses deemed essential increases risk to those that patronize and work in those businesses. The increased business activity we have observed at those deemed essential businesses actually demonstrate the public's desire to live their normal lives; and

**WHEREAS**, our neighboring states who did not issue stay at home orders have less deaths per capita than Minnesota; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Walz has now extended the statewide shutdown on April 30, 2020 and the reasons for this new extension do not meet with the original goals and achieved results established by the Governor.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED** by the City Council of Vadnais Heights, Minnesota that:

- 1) The City Council strongly encourages Governor Walz to lift his Executive Order and allow all businesses to reopen as soon as possible as long as the business meets CDC guidelines. We ask the Governor to put his trust in the businesses and citizens of Minnesota to protect themselves as they feel necessary.
- 2) The City Council encourages residents to follow CDC guidelines as it relates to social distancing and general conduct while out in public.
- 3) The City Council advises long term care facilities, seniors and people with underlying health conditions to follow all recommended precautions to stay safe.

This Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Administrator this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

## **COUNCIL AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Assistant City Administrator Sandvik noted that staff completed a job Evaluation Data for full-time and pro-rated, benefit – earning positions and submitted it to the State in February. On April 7, 2020, the City received notice of non-compliance. Staff will come back to the Council with proposed adjustments, effective June 7, 2020 before they submit a fully executed report by July 7, 2020. Staff will have a short-term recommendations for the Council to consider at their May 19, 2020 Council meeting. Sandvik noted, however, that a long-term solution would include a salary survey conducted by an outside party which the City has not completed since 2005-2006. Sandvik noted that Parks & Rec programs continue to be on hold and staff are watching the CDC for guidelines. Some decisions will need to be made in mid-May. He said that events at the Commons are still on hold. He said that City Staff continue to work in split shifts and work from home. He and the City Administrator are looking at establishing a Preparedness Plan to get back to work. He said that staff have been working on various communications projects.

Interim Fire Chief Hearden noted that the homemade mask donation drive was a huge success, with almost 1000 masks collected. The Department made donations of masks to all of the senior

and adult disability associations within the City. The Fire Department is working on developing ways they can do hands on trainings in small groups.

Planning/Community Development Director Wall noted that this week the City begins working with the City of White Bear Lake under the agreement for Building Permit Review and Inspections. Wall thanked the Council for their supporting the various projects that have come before the Council for approval over the past few months. These projects will benefit the community.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Farrell reported that Oak Creek box culvert is now functional. It was a difficult project. He noted that Public Works staff will begin working with property owners on the ascetics. Trees have been removed and a lot of rip rap is being installed and restorative work will be completed. Farrell noted that Public Works and Parks staff have had six weeks of split shifts on top of all the other safety measures put in place. He said now that the growing season has started and with construction beginning, they are looking at increasing their work week.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Farrell noted that Ramsey County is working on an application for to reconstruct Hodgson/Gransie/Rice Street on the Board of Vadnais Heights and Shoreview. Most of the work will be in Shoreview. The County is thinking a roundabout with a trail on one side and a sidewalk on the other. The portion of the project the City would be involved in would be small, but they are looking at doing access modification to Suzanne Avenue. The project would improve access in one part of the neighborhood but restrict access in others. Farrell said that the County is asking the City for a letter of support. He asked the Council for approval to send a letter of support. Council approved sending the letter.

Farrell also asked for authorization to work with Frattalone on designating a haul roads for the Frattalone construction. The Council authorized this.

City Attorney Beckmann noted that crime continues but the courts are not open for anything other than Custody Court.

Council Member Morse encouraged residents to continue using the organics drop site.

Council Member Urban thanked everyone for their edits in finalizing the Resolution – Open Minnesota. He said he is very appreciative of people that are working at essential businesses.

Council Member Youker thanked Urban for spearheading the Open Minnesota Resolution and thanked all Council Members for their input.

Council Member Johnson thanked the Council for their support on the Open Minnesota Resolution.

City Administrator Watson reviewed an item before the Council at the Workshop that did not get discussed. He said that the Cottages owns a small piece of property on Arcade that they would like to give to the City. There would be a nominal cost for recording the property with the County. No need to change lot lines. He asked if the Council would accept the property donation. The Council approved it.

Watson also noted that staff are working on a plan to get back to work and plexiglas has been installed at the front and areas roped off which will help with social distancing. He noted that the community services program at the White Bear Lake Schools is having to furlough some people and this might impact the senior program. He also noted that the financial audit is going and being done through electronic communication and that first quarter utility payments have been coming in. He noted that staff are expecting revenues to be impacted, but perhaps it may be offset with projects that are coming up in the City. He thanked Wall for his hard work on the At Home project.

Mayor Gunderson thanked the COVID-19 Task Force. She noted that at 11:30 am on Wednesday, NYFS will be holding a virtual luncheon. She invited all to join in. She also thanked the Council for their work on Council Member Urbans resolution. She said she appreciates the spirit of cooperation and compromise.

A motion was made by Johnson that the meeting be adjourned at 10:08 p.m. Seconded by Youker. Meeting adjourned.

Approved