



**City of Moorhead
City Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2018 at 5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council Meeting was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, on May 14, 2018, at 5:30 PM.

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

1st Ward Council Member:	Mari Dailey	Present
1st Ward Council Member:	Sara Watson Curry	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Melissa Fabian	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Heidi Durand	Present
Mayor:	Del Rae Williams	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Joel Paulsen	Absent
3rd Ward Council Member:	Brenda Elmer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Steve Gehrtz	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Chuck Hendrickson	Present

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Agenda Amendments

Minutes: No agenda amendments were requested.

4. Consent Agenda

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are enacted by one motion.

Minutes: Mayor Williams announced that the following item would be removed from the consent agenda, "#15 - Consider First Reading of Ordinance 2018-07: An Ordinance to Rezone Lots 3-10, Shepherd Meadows First Addition."

Motion to Approve made by Heidi Durand and seconded by Mari Dailey

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended

Motion Passed

For: 7; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

5. Recognitions - Presentations

A. Neighborhood Impact Program 2018: Partnership with Gate City Bank

Minutes: Lisa Bode, Community Development Services Manager, announced that Gate City Bank will be offering low interest loans to residents in 2018 for the Neighborhood Impact Program. Last year residents leveraged this program to improve 50 homes. Gate City will be offering \$2M in home improvement loans for homes built before 1990 and with an assessed value of under \$250,000. There are no income limits for the program. Application materials are available on the City website. A news release will be distributed this week.

6. Approve Minutes

A. May 7, 2018 City Council Meeting

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Melissa Fabian
Motion to Approve May 7, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes

Motion Passed

For: 7; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

7. Citizens Addressing the Council (Time Reserved: 15 Minutes)

Minutes: No citizens addressed the Council.

8. Mayor and Council Appointments

A. *Resolution to Approve Board/Commission Appointment
Resolution 2018-0514-A

Note: The time was not 5:45 pm, so the legislative strategy item was moved ahead of the public hearing.

10. Legislative Strategy Discussion

Minutes: The Mayor and City Council discussed priorities for the City's 2018 Capital Bonding Initiatives. The Council previously approved a resolution on November 27, 2017 identifying its priority initiatives. Given recent developments with the 20th/21st Street Underpass Project, Council elected to re-open the discussion to identify if these priorities have changed. The Mayor and Council noted that all projects are important and necessary, but would like to identify a clear priority for the public and legislators.

At the request of Council, Steve Moore, Public Works Director, provided a summary of the initiative and rationale to secure funding for a new Clay County Transfer Station.

The Council stated that prioritization is an extremely difficult decision and it would prefer funding for all initiatives.

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to add the 20/21 Street Underpass Project as the City's top Capital Bonding Initiatives priority and incorporate the Transfer Station as the #2 priority

Motion Passed: **Resolution 2018-0514-1**

For: 5 – Mari Dailey, Melissa Fabian, Heidi Durand, Brenda Elmer, Steve Gehrtz;
Against: 2 – Sara Watson Curry, Chuck Hendrickson; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

Public Hearings (5:45 p.m.)

9. Public Hearing Regarding the Request of Black Diamond Townhomes LLC for Property Tax Exemption for a Multi-Family Residential Project Located at 3012-3088 30 St. S.

Minutes: Cindy Graffeo, Executive Director of Economic Development Authority Board, provided an overview of the project.

Public hearing opened at 6:19 pm.

Public hearing closed at 6:19 pm.

- A. Resolution to Approve a Property Tax Exemption for Black Diamond Townhomes LLC for a Project Located at 3012-3088 30 St. S.

Motion to Approve made by Chuck Hendrickson and seconded by Melissa Fabian
Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve a Property Tax Exemption for Black Diamond Townhomes LLC for a Project Located at 3012-3088 30 St. S.

Motion Passed: **Resolution 2018-0514-2**

For: 7; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

Administration

11. Approve Licenses - Permits
- A. *Resolution to Approve Sound Amplification Permits
Resolution 2018-0514-B
- B. *Resolution to Approve Liquor License Renewals
Resolution 2018-0514-C

Engineering Department

12. *Resolution to Award Bid for Mill & Overlay, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction of Streets in the 2nd, 4th, 6th & 7th Ave N Area. Eng. No. 18-A2-03
Resolution 2018-0514-D
13. *Resolution to Award Bid for Storm Lift Station No. 8 Improvements. Eng. No. 18-5-1
Resolution 2018-0514-E

Planning and Neighborhood Services Department

14. Consider Land Use Designation Changes for Parcels 589001510 and 589001520
- Minutes: Kristie Leshovsky, City Planner/Zoning Administrator, provided an overview of the land use amendment and zoning changes. The applicant held a neighborhood meeting regarding the project. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the request.

Motion to Approve made by Heidi Durand and seconded by Sara Watson Curry
Motion to Approve Land Use Designation Changes for Parcels 589001510 and 589001520

Motion Passed: Resolutions noted below
For: 7; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

- A. Resolution to Approve Comprehensive Plan Land Use Amendment
Resolution 2018-0514-3
 - B. First Reading of Ordinance 2018-08: An Ordinance to Rezone Parcels 589001510 and 589001520
Ordinance 2018-08
15. Consider First Reading of Ordinance 2018-07: An Ordinance to Rezone Lots 3-10, Shepherd Meadows First Addition

Minutes: Kristie Leshovsky, City Planner/Zoning Administrator, provided an overview of the rezoning request. The Planning Commission unanimously recommended approval of the request.

Motion to Approve made by Chuck Hendrickson and seconded by Sara Watson Curry
Motion to Approve First Reading of Ordinance 2018-07: An Ordinance to Rezone Lots 3-10, Shepherd Meadows First Addition

Motion Passed: **Ordinance 2018-07**
For: 7; Absent: 1 – Joel Paulsen

16. *Consider First Reading of Ordinance 2018-09: Text Amendment to the City Code Regarding Zoning Notifications
Ordinance 2018-09
17. *Resolution to Approve Authorization of Bids - Moorhead Municipal Airport Apron Pavement Rehabilitation Project
Resolution 2018-0514-F

Other

18. Mayor and Council Reports

Minutes: Sara Watson Curry announced that citizens can drop off items at the City of Moorhead Transfer Station during the remainder of clean-up week for no fee, excluding electronics. Sara Watson Curry also stated that Red River paddling excursions and canoe and kayak rentals are beginning this week.

Mayor Williams spoke of architectural student projects showing options for various locations in Moorhead, including Viking Ship park. She requested staff to work with universities and partner with them to host meetings showcasing student projects and gather broader community input.

Heidi Durand reported that the Moorhead Farmer's Market will now accept EBT card payments.

19. City Manager Reports – Updates

Minutes: Dan Mahli, Assistant City Manager, announced that May 19 will be a fare free day on MATBUS due to Fargo Marathon events.

20. Executive Session (if needed)

21. New Business

22. Citizens Addressing the Council (continued, if necessary)

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm.

APPROVED BY:



Del Rae Williams
Mayor

ATTEST:



Jessica Kuznia
Deputy City Clerk

The proceedings of this meeting are digitally recorded and are available for public review.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jessica Kuznia, Deputy City Clerk