

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS
FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

The meeting of the Council of the City of Vadnais Heights was held on the above date and called to order by Mayor Krachmer at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following members were present: Mayor Mike Krachmer and Council Members Steve Rogers, Erik Goebel, Kelly Jozwowski, and Katherine Doll Kanne.

The following Council members were absent: None.

Also present were: Kevin Watson, City Administrator; Kaylin Clement, Assistant City Administrator; Jesse Farrell, City Engineer/Public Works Director; Nolan Wall, Planning/Community Development Director; Chris Hearnden, Fire Chief; Peggy Aho, Deputy Clerk; and Erich Hartmann, City Attorney.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Administrator Watson provided several announcements.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Goebel, seconded by Jozwowski, it was

#23-02-032 “RESOLVED that the February 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Agenda be approved as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 7, 2023 Regular Workshop Meeting

Upon motion by Jozwowski, seconded by Goebel, it was

#23-02-033 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves the February 7, 2023 Regular Workshop Meeting minutes as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

B. February 7, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Upon motion by Goebel, seconded by Jozwowski, it was

#23-02-034 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves the February 7, 2023 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Goebel, seconded by Doll Kanne, it was

#23-02-035 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves Consent Agenda Items #7A through #7F for the February 21, 2023 meeting as follows:

- A. Consider Approving Claims #83206 Through #832268 and Electronic Claims #1851 Through #1858 for Payment
 - 1. US Bank payment in the amount of \$6,811.25
- B. Consider Approving an Outdoor Event Permit for Rocket Racing’s Wild Timed Fun Race on March 11, 2023
- C. Consider Approving an Agreement with Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce
- D. Consider Accepting Donation for the Senior Lunch Program from VH Lions
- E. Consider Approving Engagement Letter with Fabyanske, Westra, Hart & Thomson, P.A.
- F. Consider Approving a Resolution Requesting a Variance from the Minnesota Department of Transportation for Improvement 2023-05 Twin Lake Boulevard.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Krachmer opened the meeting to the public at 7:04 p.m. There being no one that wished to speak, Krachmer closed the meeting to the public at 7:04 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Proclamation: White Bear Lake Chamber 100 Years

City Administrator Watson read the following proclamation:

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce is a respected organization that has been helping local businesses prosper since 1923; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce strives to Strengthen Business through Advocacy, Networking and Education; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce works with businesses, merchants and industry to advance the civic, economic, industrial, professional and cultural life in White Bear Lake and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber is a leading resource for its diverse business community; ensuring future growth opportunities to maintain a vibrant economic hub for all; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce is one of the largest business organizations in the White Bear Area, representing 12 communities; and

WHEREAS, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce has served as a conduit of communication between the business community and local government to advance private and public collaboration; and

WHEREAS, 2023 marks the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, with a century of achievement behind it, the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce is looking forward with a continued commitment to ensure a lively and prosperous community for future generations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Vadnais Heights City Council formally recognizes the White Bear Area Chamber of Commerce in celebration of Its Centennial Anniversary, and publicly acknowledges the service that it has provided to its 12 communities over its past 100 years.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. 2023 Street Improvements Project Assessment Hearing

City Engineer/Public Works Director Farrell introduced the item before the Council. He said that this meeting is centered around ordering the project and setting the assessment rates for the project which would include Elmwood Street (Stockdale Road to Clover Avenue), Alpine Avenue (County Road F to south limits), and Horizon Street (Alpine Avenue to Centerville Road). Farrell noted that the residents on Elmwood Street have petitioned to have the City remove the ribbon cutting from their street. He said as a result,