

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF VADNAIS HEIGHTS
MARCH 7, 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 Hearden, Fire Chief; Bob Sundberg, Finance Director; and Caroline Beckman, City Attorney.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Administrator Watson provided several announcements.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

#23-03-039 “RESOLVED that the March 7, 2023 Regular Meeting Agenda be approved as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 21, 2023 Regular Workshop Meeting

Upon motion by Council Member Jozwowski, seconded by Council Member Goebel, it was

#23-03-040 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves the February 21, 2023 Regular Workshop Meeting minutes as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

B. February 21, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Upon motion by Council Member Rogers, seconded by Council Member Jozwowski, it was

#23-03-041 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves the February 21, 2023 Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented.”

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Council Member Goebel, seconded by Council Member Rogers, it was

#23-03-042 “RESOLVED, that the Council approves Consent Agenda Items #7A through #7C for the March 7, 2023 meeting as presented as follows:

- A. Consider Approving Claims #83269 Through #83322 and Electronic Claims #1859 Through #1862 for Payment
- B. Consider Approving Tenth Rider to Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Saint Paul (Saint Paul Regional Water Services)
- C. Consider Recommendation on Hiring Deputy City Clerk

Ayes – 5 Nays – 0

The resolution was adopted.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Krachmer opened the meeting to the public at 7:09 p.m.

Ralph Buche, 742 Greenhaven Drive, requested the City not consider “No Mow May” in 2023. He spoke about how the new signage on Highway 96 and Rice Street enhances the look of the City and how “No Mow May” does not.

City Administrator Watson said “No Mow May” has not been discussed for 2023, but the City may possibly consider it if a request was received from residents, adding the program was challenging for staff to administer. Mayor Krachmer stated that the new Council will discuss the matter and if there is a vote, the item will be placed on a future agenda.

Art Peterson, 4320 Greenhaven Circle, commented on how the posted agenda did not include specifics on what would be discussed at the meeting, then expressed concern that “No Mow May” would not be publicly posted prior to formal consideration. He wanted to make sure he could go online and see specifically that “No Mow May” was being discussed at a future meeting. Mayor Krachmer assured Mr. Peterson that if “No Mow May” is not listed on an agenda, the Council will