



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
October 2, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The work session meeting was called to order by Mayor Hultmann at 5:32 pm.

Present: Mayor: Tim Hultmann; Council: Brian Carpenter, Donny Chillstrom, Liz Olson, and Tom Skjaret
Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post
Guests Present: Hennepin County Engineer: Jim Grube; Michelle Jerde: Planning Commission Applicant

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Skjaret, to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: all.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Discuss CSAH 112 Turnback Project Preliminary Values Assessment

Engineer Grube distributed three handout items which included future PAC meeting dates through February, 2013; a roadway segment high value matrix; and a photo collection which highlighted roadway sights and examples of other Metro area downtown landscaping looks. Grube went over the current process and emphasized that Council would have a preview of preliminary design scenarios before a scheduled February 13, 2013 open house meeting. Discussion ensued including the desirability of keeping the Planning Commission in the loop, the cost of undergrounding utilities for aesthetic reasons, county awareness of City financial constraints, county cost-sharing formulas, the lack of support for paver sidewalks, the values tradeoff that will occur downtown between parking, wider sidewalks, and traffic flow. Grube advised the Council to be patient and let the PAC go through the process of translating values into design options before evaluating outcomes.

Interview Planning Commission Michelle Jerde

Post commented that Ms. Jerde had previously applied for the Planning Commission and is currently serving as a Park Board member. Council asked various questions of the applicant. Jerde indicated that she would be anxious to serve the City in another capacity. Post indicated that Planning Commissioner duties and responsibilities are well-covered in League of Minnesota (LMC) education classes and on-line reference materials.

Other Business

Chillstrom commented on a less than positive experience he had with the City's Building Official on a construction jobsite in town because of inspection delays.

ADJOURN

The work session was adjourned by general consent at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terrance Post, City Administrator