



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
June 5, 2012**

CALL TO ORDER

The work session meeting was called to order by Mayor Hultmann at 5:34 pm.

Present: Mayor: Tim Hultmann; Council: Donny Chillstrom, Liz Olson,
and Tom Skjaret

Excused Absence: Councilor Brian Carpenter

Staff Present: City Administrator: Terrance Post

Guest Present: Resident Tod Olson

APPROVE AGENDA

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

BUSINESS ITEMS

Discuss 1st Quarter 2012 Water Bill Appeal Request 292 Heather Lane

Post began the discussion reviewing the \$1,192.51 water bill and noting the \$1,050.65 partial payment previously received leaving a \$141.86 unpaid balance. Mr. Olson's appeal is to pay the entire water bill at the 1st tier rate of \$2.67 per 1,000 gallons and to not pay the last 103,000 gallons at the 2nd tier rate of \$4.01 per 1,000 gallons. Council consensus was that this usage was the result of a parts failure and not intentional, and that credit in the amount of \$141.86 be issued that would effectively charge all of the 1st quarter water usage at the 1st tier rate.

Discuss MDOT Re-conveyance Term Sheet for Virginia Avenue Parcel

Post noted that this item was introduced at the May 15, 2012 work session meeting with it being tabled for further reflection and investigation. Post also noted that the State offer is conditioned upon receipt of consideration on or before July 2, 2012. Hultmann noted the absence of councilmember Carpenter and felt that this item should be discussed again with the full Council present. Discussion ensued including the role of local government in redevelopment; the potential use of City Hall property; the effective control of the re-conveyance parcel through the Zoning Ordinance; if the parcel is developable without Virginia avenue residential properties; if purchased, selling "as is" with respect to environmental remediation to a developer; and exploring a future period purchase option with MnDOT.

Discuss Long Lake/Orono Utility Agreements Review

Post distributed a listing of possible appendix items to include in a baseline Municipal Utility Service Connections document to be formally received by both City Councils later in the summer. Olson and Skjaret expressed a desire to meet as a subcommittee that would also include Public Works Director Marv Wurzer to finalize the document appendix content.

ADJOURN

The work session was adjourned by general consent at 6:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Terrance Post, City Administrator