

Adopted Minutes Special Council Meeting February 24, 2015

Mayor Slavik called a Special Meeting of the Plymouth City Council to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Medicine Lake Room of City Hall, 3400 Plymouth Boulevard, on February 24, 2015.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Slavik, Councilmembers Wosje, Willis, Prom, Beard, Johnson, and Carroll.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Callister, Administrative Services Director Fischer, Community Development Director Juetten, Park and Recreation Director Evans, City Attorney Knutson, Park and Recreation Deputy Director Northway, and City Clerk Engdahl.

Park Dedication Fees

Park and Recreation Director Evans reported on a park dedication fee analysis prepared by staff that covered the history and formula for applying park dedication fees. She stated staff is recommending increasing the cash payment required in lieu of land dedication from a maximum cash payment of \$6,500 per dwelling unit for residential development to \$7,500 per dwelling unit. Staff isn't recommending any adjustment to the commercial/industrial park dedication fee. She explained the increase in the residential development cash payment is necessary so that the park dedication fund is able to pay for the acquisition of land and/or open space for future park facilities and development of new parks, playgrounds and open space areas for the community. The estimated build-out cost of the park system is just over \$28 million, which includes acquisition and development of neighborhood parks, the Northwest Greenway, new trails, and other projects.

She stated a 10-year analysis of the park dedication fund was completed to forecast the viability of the fund, taking into consideration projected residential development, park system build-out cost, investment interest and inflation. Based on this information, without a fee increase and/or incremental increases in the coming years, the fund will be depleted by 2022. Lastly, she recommended that park dedication fees be reviewed and adjusted on an annual basis.

The consensus of the Council was to raise the fee \$1,000 and review the fee annually as part of the budget/CIP process. Adoption of an ordinance to this effect is on this evening's regular agenda under General Business.

Set Future Study Sessions

The Council scheduled the following study sessions:

- March 10 at 5:30 p.m.: Underground power on Vicksburg Lane project
- March 24 at 5:30 p.m.: Transit update
- April 14 at 5:30 p.m.: Add lawful gambling to this agenda
- May 5 at 6 p.m.: Medicine Lake Water Level Study
- May 26 at 5:30 p.m.: Comprehensive Plan process update

Adjournment

Mayor Slavik adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.



Sandra R. Engdahl, City Clerk