1. **MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL:** Bergeron, Gunn, Hull, Meehlhause, Mueller

   **NOT PRESENT:** None.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
   
   A. **Monday, March 25, 2019, City Council Agenda.**

   City Administrator Zikmund reported Item 7D would be removed from the agenda and Item 7A had been amended.

   **MOTION/SECOND:** Meehlhause/Bergeron. To Approve the Monday, March 25, 2019, agenda as amended.

   Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**
   
   A. Approval of Minutes: March 11, 2019
   B. Just and Correct Claims.

   **MOTION/SECOND:** Gunn/Hull. To Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

   Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   None.

7. **SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**
   
   A. Public Recognition of Josey Warren, Nancy Bulmer and David Bulmer for Their Service on the 60th Anniversary Committee.
Mayor Mueller recognized Nancy Bulmer and David Bulmer for all of their efforts while serving on the 60th Anniversary Committee. She presented each individual with a certificate of appreciation. A round of applause was offered by all in attendance.

Mayor Mueller reported Josey Warren was not able to attend this evening and would be presented with a certificate of appreciation for her efforts on the 60th Anniversary Committee.

B. Mark Lindeburg – MNDOT 35W MNPASS Update.

Mark Lindeburg, MnDOT, introduced himself and updated the Council on the 35W MnPASS project. He explained this project would take three years to complete noting work would begin in 2019. He reported the project area would include 35W from County Road C to Sunset Boulevard. He noted noise walls would be constructed as part of the project. He stated a MnPASS lane would be installed in both directions between Lexington Avenue and County Road C. He broke down how the project would be staged into three phases. The Mounds View detours were detailed with the Council. He explained MnDOT was working with the freight community to keep them informed on the project and how to work with the anticipated traffic delays. He encouraged residents to follow this project on their website under the Know Your Route tab.

Mayor Mueller opened the meeting to the public for comments or questions.

Celena Monn, 2357 Sherwood Road, requested further information regarding the noise wall. Mr. Lindeburg reviewed the location of the seven noise walls commenting further on the walls planned in Mounds View. He reported the walls would be dark brown in color.

Ms. Monn encouraged MnDOT to place a noise wall around the compost site/wooded area in Mounds View given the fact this area may develop in the future. She asked how many trees would be removed for the noise walls and questioned if any trees would be replaced. Mr. Lindeburg reported he had analyzed one long noise wall for the compost area and reported MnDOT deemed this to be ineffective. He commented the wall was then broke into two parts in order to make the wall cost effective. He indicated all tree cutting had been completed for the noise walls.

Ms. Monn commented the project impacted her residential area. She explained she had not received any emails or communications from MnDOT to date. She encouraged MnDOT to improve their communication efforts with the public regarding this project.

Council Member Bergeron thanked Mr. Lindeburg for his presentation. He asked when the neighborhood meeting for the Colonial Village noise wall would be held. Mr. Lindeburg stated this meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 26th from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. noting the meeting would be held inside Colonial Village in their Community Room.
Council Member Bergeron questioned if the coffee talk meetings had been scheduled. Mr. Lindeburg reported MnDOT was still working on a schedule for these meetings and information would be posted on MnDOT’s website in the near future.

Council Member Meehlhause asked how many people were invited to attend the Colonial Village neighborhood meeting. Mr. Lindeburg explained those affected by the noise wall had been invited to attend the neighborhood meeting.

Council Member Gunn invited MnDOT to put up a booth at Festival in the Park which would be held on Saturday, August 17th at Silver View Park. Mr. Lindeburg commented he would have a representative at this event.

Mayor Mueller asked if Mounds View would be getting any temporary signals during the MnPASS project. She encouraged MnDOT to consider a signal at Silver Lake Road and County Road H2 which was currently a four way stop. Mr. Lindeburg stated he did not believe a temporary signal would be placed at this intersection. He explained that concerns regarding traffic along Silver Lake Road have been brought to his attention and commented he would be monitoring this situation.

Mayor Mueller inquired how residents could sign up for email notifications for this project. Mr. Lindeburg explained residents could visit MnDOT’s website at mndot.gov/metro/projects/35wnorthmnpass to sign up for project updates. In addition, residents could email MnDOT with questions or concerns at info@35wnorthmnpass.com. He reported residents could also call with questions and that number was 651-800-4965.

Mayor Mueller questioned if MnDOT would be working with mapping companies to inform them of the upcoming construction and ramp closures. Mr. Lindeburg stated MnDOT did work with the mapping companies to keep them informed and stated typically they were pretty good at keeping the roads up to date.

Mayor Mueller thanked Mr. Lindeburg for his thorough presentation regarding the MnPASS project.


Steve Markuson, Twin Cities Gateway, thanked the Council for their time. He commented on the successes and accomplishments the Twin Cities Gateway (TCG) has had in the last year. He discussed how impactful tourism was for the State of Minnesota and for the communities within the Gateway. He reported 69% of State tourism spending was completed in the metro area. He commented further on what happens when visitors come to town. The goals of TCG were reviewed with the Council as being to reach micro-targeted markets, drive incremental overnight stays, increase non-peak period business, leverage resources/partnerships and to maximize prospect engagement. He was pleased to report that lodging tax for the nine member cities were up in 2018 and surpassed $1 million. He reviewed the TCG’s marketing strategies and commented on the positive hits the Gateway’s website has received.
Al Stauffacher, Twin Cities Gateway, commented on the sports marketing that has occurred for the Gateway. He discussed the major sports events that were held in 2018 and how these events impacted local restaurants and hotels.

Mr. Markuson reviewed the digital and media print ads that were used in 2018 to draw clientele to the Gateway. He described the efforts that were in place for destination marketing and on social media. He explained that signature event promotion was at an all time high which would drive more people to local events within the Gateway.

Council Member Meehlhause thanked Mr. Markuson and Mr. Stauffacher for all of their efforts on behalf of the Twin Cities Gateway.

D. Presentation to Finance Department.

This item was removed from the agenda.

8. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing: Resolution 9092 Considering a Honeybee Keeping License for Michelle Herlund, 5557 St. Stephen Street.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council consider a honeybee keeping license for Michelle Herlund at 5557 St. Stephen Street. He explained the applicant was requesting no more than four hives and has completed adequate training. Staff reviewed several comments he received from the public regarding this request. He then recommended the Council hold a public hearing and approve the honeybee keeping license.

Mayor Mueller opened the public hearing at 7:46 p.m.

Laura Luchsinger, 5613 St. Michael Street, stated she supported the honeybee keeping request for Michelle Herlund. She commented on how important bees were to the community.

Teresa Netkow, 5550 St. Michael Street, explained she did not know a lot about bees but explained she had several grandchildren that were allergic to them. She questioned if these bees would be flying around a certain radius and if this should be a concern to her and her grandchildren.

Evelyn __________, 5613 St. Michael Street, stated she had a friend that worked in a bee facility in Cannon Falls. She explained she spoke to this friend and was told the bees would not be traveling in large groups outside of the bee box. She commented the only concern would be for the beekeeper when handling the bee box.

Hearing no further public input, Mayor Mueller closed the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.

Michelle Herlund, 5557 St. Stephen Street, thanked the Council for their consideration. She
explained she would only have one hive at this time. She stated the only bees that leave the hive are foragers and explained these bees would not be traveling in swarms.

Mayor Mueller questioned what type of training Ms. Herlund had with respect to beekeeping. Ms. Herlund reported she completed an online course through the California Department of Agriculture. She explained all passing scores were documented and sent to the City.

Mayor Mueller asked if the hive would have a water source. Ms. Herlund reviewed the location of her water source noting it would be within 10 feet of the hive and away from the fences.

Mayor Mueller questioned how many beekeeping licenses the City had at this time. City Administrator Zikmund estimated the City had between six and ten beekeeping licenses.

Council Member Meehlhause commented honeybees were quite docile and noted they would not mess with people unless they were extremely irritated. He then discussed the reasons behind the City holding a public hearing for this request.

Mayor Mueller stated she was pleased that Mounds View has allowed residents to keep bees and chickens in the community.

MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 9092 Considering a Honeybee Keeping License for Michelle Herlund, 5557 St. Stephen Street.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

B. Resolution 9089 – Authorize AE2S (Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.) to Perform Engineering Services for the Bronson Lift Station.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council authorize AE2S to perform engineering services for the Bronson lift station. He explained parts were becoming hard to find for this lift station which led staff to seek comment from an engineering firm for the improvements that were necessary. He reported AE2S was contacted to assist the City with this project and recommended the Council approve the engineering study.

Mayor Mueller asked what the timing would be for this project. Public Works Director Peterson commented work on the lift station would begin immediately and would be completed yet this year.

MOTION/SECOND: Hull/Bergeron. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 8772, Approving an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License for Moe’s located at 2400 Mounds View Boulevard.

Council Member Meehlhause commented the Council was only approving the engineering services at this time.
Mayor Mueller thanked Council Member Meehlhause for this clarification.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

C. Resolution 9090 – Approval of the Purchase of a Camera Inspection System for the Sanitary Sewer Department.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council approve the purchase of a camera inspection system for the Sanitary Sewer Department. He explained the City had 44 miles of sanitary sewer system and noted these lines were inspected on a five-year rotation. He commented the City’s original software was purchased in 2005 and the camera was purchased in 2004. He noted this equipment was in need replacement. He reported staff solicited bids from the Minnesota Cooperative Purchasing Program. He reviewed the bids that were received noting staff recommended the Council approve the bid from McQueen. It was noted the City would be trading in its existing camera van which would assist in lowering the expense for the camera inspection system. He explained this purchase came in over budget and discussed how staff would shift around several purchases in order to adjust the budget to make this purchase in 2019.

Mayor Mueller thanked staff for reviewing the Public Works equipment purchases to find the dollars needed for this expenditure.

MOTION/SECOND: Meehlhause/Gunn. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 9090 – Approval of the Purchase of a Camera Inspection System for the Sanitary Sewer Department.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

D. Resolution 9091 – Authorizing AE2S (Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.) to Perform a Water Study and Continue Preparing a Water Management Program for the Water Infrastructure.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council authorize AE2S to perform a water study and continue preparing a water management program for the City’s water infrastructure. He explained the Council has discussed this topic at several worksession meetings. He indicated some of the City’s water infrastructure parts were 25+ years old and were in need of replacement. He stated this led staff to request the Council complete a water study in order to begin planning for the proper replacement of this infrastructure. He reported the expense for this project came in slightly over budget and a budget adjustment would need to be made to the Water Treatment Fund Budget.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if the City had an adequate amount of funds available to make the budget adjustment. Public Works Director Peterson stated the City did have the funds necessary to cover the overage.
MOTION/SECOND: Gunn/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 9091 – Authorizing AE2S Inc. (Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.) to Perform a Water Study and Continue Preparing a Water Management Program for the Water Infrastructure.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

E. Resolution 9094 – Support of HF1095/SF1271 and HF2194/SF2087.

City Administrator Zikmund requested the Council support HF1095/SF1271 and HF 2194/SF2087. He discussed the amount of bills that had been introduced in 2019. He explained one of the bills was being recommended by the League of Minnesota Cities regarding the creation of street improvement districts. The other bill has to do with capturing CSAH monies for roads and bridges. He encouraged the Council to offer their support to these two Senate and House bills.

Council Member Meehlhause asked if the Mayor had a better understanding on how the proposed street districts would work.

Mayor Mueller explained a lot of cities were in the same boat with limited resources for street repairs. She commented on the importance of counties partnering with cities to keep roadways in good working order. She discussed how Mounds View led the way through their street replacement program. She reported MSA funding and funding for roadways has been a top concern for all the member cities of the League of Minnesota Cities and for this reason these new bills were being proposed.

MOTION/SECOND: Bergeron/Mueller. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 9094 – Support of HF1095/SF1271 and HF2194/SF2087.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

F. Resolution 9093 – Authorizing AE2S (Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.) to Perform Engineering Services for Inflow and Infiltration Flow Study on the Sanitary Sewer System.

Public Works Director Peterson requested the Council authorize AE2S to perform engineering services for inflow and infiltration flow study on the Sanitary Sewer System. He discussed the expense for this project and recommended the Council approve the study.

Mayor Mueller explained this study was very important as it would assist the City in learning where run off and other fluids were running into the sanitary sewer system. She discussed the expense the City was paying to the Met Council for water treatment and reported a reduction in I&I could assist the City in reducing its expenses with the Met Council.

MOTION/SECOND: Bergeron/Meehlhause. To Waive the Reading and Adopt Resolution 9093 – Authorizing AE2S (Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services, Inc.) to Perform
Engineering Services for Inflow and Infiltration Flow Study on the Sanitary Sewer System.

Council Member Bergeron thanked Public Works Director Peterson for all of his efforts to address the City’s water structure needs.

Ayes – 5  Nays – 0  Motion carried.

9. REPORTS
   A. Reports of Mayor and Council.

Council Member Meehlhause thanked Mr. Markuson for his excellent report. He noted the Twin Cities Gateway held its Annual Meeting last week. He reviewed the fund balances from this organization and was pleased to report Mounds View hotels saw a 12% increase in revenue in 2018. He reported he was reelected to the Board of Directors Executive Committee for Twin Cities Gateway. He stated he was pleased to report Mounds View would be receiving a check in the amount of $8,501 from the Gateway.

Council Member Meehlhause commented he would be attending an NYFS Board meeting on Thursday, March 28th.

Mayor Mueller stated Friends of the Park were having their annual plant sale. She encouraged residents to consider purchasing plants and shrubs through the County at a discounted price.

Mayor Mueller indicated Festival in the Park would be held on Saturday, August 17th at Silver View Park. She reported registration was now open for the Car Show.

Mayor Mueller updated the community on the upcoming theater production that would be completed by the Mounds View Community Theater group.

Mayor Mueller reported the North Metro Mayors met at the Capitol on Wednesday, March 20th. She stated 20 mayors were able to participate in this event and noted transportation needs were discussed.

Mayor Mueller explained the Minnesota Women in City Government would be sponsoring a program called MWCG Presents on Friday, March 29th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. She noted this event would be held at the League of Minnesota Cities office.

Council Member Meehlhause encouraged residents to get their nominations in for Citizen of the Year by Friday, March 29th.

B. Reports of Staff.

Public Works Director Peterson discussed a recent watermain break that occurred at Edgewood and Bronson.
Public Works Director Peterson explained all trees slated for removal due to EAB had been removed and noted the City was working on replanting.

Public Works Director Peterson discussed the Well 2 rehab project noting work began on Monday, March 25th.

Public Works Director Peterson stated sealcoating work had been bid and discussed the savings the City would see from the consortium that was pursued by the City of Coon Rapids.

City Administrator Zikmund stated he would be out of the office next week.

City Administrator Zikmund reviewed the April worksession agenda with the Council.

City Administrator Zikmund updated the Council on the Long Lake Woods development, Tires N More and the INH development.

City Administrator Zikmund stated the Town Hall Meeting would be held on Monday, April 15th beginning at 5:30 p.m.

City Administrator Zikmund explained the Charter Commission met last week and noted the Charter Commission had been invited to the May Council worksession to discuss the special election language. He reported a future joint meeting would have to be held later this year to discuss simplifying the Charter.

C. Reports of City Attorney.

City Attorney Riggs discussed his monthly status report with the Council. He noted relocation efforts continue for the Skyline property and updated the Council on the INH and Long Lake Woods development.

10. Next Council Work Session: Monday, April 1, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.
    Next Council Meeting: Monday, April 8, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

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