

**CITY OF SHOREVIEW
MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
March 2, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Martin called the regular meeting of the Shoreview City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2015.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Mayor Martin; Councilmembers Johnson, Quigley, and Springhorn.

Councilmember Wickstrom was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: by Councilmember Quigley, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to approve the March 2, 2015 agenda as submitted.

VOTE: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

RECOGNITION OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Co-Chair Julie Williams introduced the following members of the Human Rights Commission who were present: Lisa Wedell Ueki, Co-Chair; Bob Minton; Mary Yee Johnson; Richard Bokovoy; Mounds View Student Representative Sunny Chen; Irondale Student Representative Sabrina Chu; and staff liaison Rebecca Olson.

Members Elaine Carnahan, Sam Abdullai and Mark Hodkinson were unable to be present.

The Shoreview Human Rights Commission was re-established in 1993. One of the first actions taken was to create a mission statement that reads as follows:

The Shoreview Human Rights Commission advises and aides the City of Shoreview by establishing and promoting a community standard of equal opportunity and freedom from discrimination. We envision a community where all people are welcomed, valued and respected, where each person feels at home.

Since 1994, the Commission has sponsored the One Community of Many Colors 4th Grade Poster Contest in recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The purpose of this activity is to encourage children to interact freely and more comfortably with those who they view as different from themselves.

This contest in 2015 is the 22nd annual contest. The contest is open to all local elementary schools who serve Shoreview residents. Four area schools participated this year: Emmet D. Williams, Turtle Lake, Island Lake and St. Odilia. Over 320 posters were submitted. All posters were reviewed by Commissioners. Ten were chosen for 1st place through 10th place and 10 for Honorable Mention. Posters are judged on the quality of theme, clarity of message, quality of art and usage of paper area. While judging, Commissioners are unaware of the names of students, teachers or school.

Mayor Martin presented each student who placed with a certificate and Shoreview pin.

Place	Name	School	Teacher
Honorable Mention	Jonas Ojanen	Island Lake	Mrs. Rowley
Honorable Mention	Cecilia Savard	St. Odilia	Mrs. Fox
Honorable Mention	Jade Wierzchowski	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Milow
Honorable Mention	Nya Aadland	Island Lake	Ms. Swallen
Honorable Mention	Joy Ren	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Pallansch
Honorable Mention	Addison Knoll	Island Lake	Mrs. Dahl
Honorable Mention	Emily Fatkhiyev	Island Lake	Mrs. Anderson & Mrs. Eidem
Honorable Mention	Kya Yang	Emmet D. Williams	Mrs. Xiong
Honorable Mention	Trystan Bidania	Island Lake	Ms. Swallen
Honorable Mention	Navya Ramesh	St. Odilia	Mrs. Maristuen
10th Place	Anuva Borgaonkar	Island Lake	Mrs. Rode
9th Place	Aubree Klein	Island Lake	Mrs. Rode
8th Place	Claire O'Quinn	Island Lake	Mrs. Rode
7th Place	Emily Zhao	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Stimpson
6th Place	Seoyun Chang	Emmet D. Williams	Ms. Iverson
5th Place	Samantha Gillis	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Leiser
4th Place	Aurora Wang	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Stimpson
3rd Place	Claire Li	Turtle Lake	Mrs. Larson
2nd Place	Bella Tran	Turtle Lake	Ms. Pluim & Ms. Stewart
1st Place	Harini Avula	Island Lake	Mrs. Rode

Mayor Martin thanked all the student participants, parents and teachers.

PRESENTATION OF IMMIGRATION REPORT

Presentation by Human Rights Commissioner Bob Minton

An immigration report was issued by the Advocate for Human Rights in Minneapolis. The conclusion of the report is that Minnesota is not very nice to immigrants. The Commission decided to conduct a study to find out what immigrants in Shoreview think and what the City could do to be more welcoming. In meeting with staff from the Advocate for Human Rights, they gave a lot of help with survey questions. The Commission's Student Representative, Neha Sethi, recruited students to be interviewers and they all attended training. Staff liaison, Rebecca Olson created a web page; designed a consent form; adapted interview questions and protocols; and posted reports, etc. Muriel Zhou provided a list of interviewees and translated interview questions into Chinese.

Mr. Minton introduced Sunny Chen, current Student Representative on the Shoreview Human Rights Commission. Sunny reported that some interviews were difficult because some interviewees were unable to speak English well and could not answer questions in detail. There was also difficulty in getting people to allow the interview; and many preferred not to disclose their identity. The goal was to interview 50 people; that goal was revised to 25. A total of 26 interviews were completed.

Mayor Martin asked if she also interviewed people. Sunny reported that she personally interviewed six people. Many would like to have more cultural events and gatherings. People interviewed were from China, India and one from Korea.

Mr. Minton reported that most immigrants indicated that they like Shoreview and like the Mounds View School District. The State study identified a number of issues that immigrants have with law enforcement, the justice system, employment, and medical system. However, in Shoreview, the immigrants that were interviewed were impacted minimally in these areas. Most really like their neighborhoods. He emphasized that the one thing they desired is more cultural events.

Councilmember Quigley noted that 7% of Shoreview's population is Chinese immigrants.

Mayor Martin asked what type of cultural events people would like to see. Mr. Minton stated that two events were mentioned as being popular--the Festival of Nations was mentioned that is sponsored by the International Institute and an international event held at Mounds View High School.

Ms. Muriel Zhou stated that there is now a Shoreview Chinese Association that meets once a month. One event that would be welcome would be celebrating the Chinese New Year. The Chinese would like to share that event with the community.

Mayor Martin thanked the Commission for the work done with this study.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Muriel Zhou, 5087 Prairie Ridge Drive, reported that a Chinese senior citizen told her that her son-in-law was hit from behind on County Road I. He got out of the car to take pictures of the

damage to the car and then the driver who hit him grabbed the cell phone and threw it into the snow. The son-in-law did not speak English well so when the police arrived, the other driver described the incident from his perspective. She would like to suggest that the Sheriff's Department have a language service for those who cannot speak English clearly.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Johnson:

The final Dive-In Movie will be Friday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. The movie "Happy Feet" will be shown.

Councilmember Quigley:

Noted the article on deer control in the *Shoreview/Arden Hills Bulletin*. Shoreview is mentioned as having a very effective program. He commended staff member Charlie Grill for his work on this issue.

Councilmember Springhorn:

Registration is open for the Shoreview Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. The cost is \$8 for residents and \$10 for nonresidents. Registration can be done online at the City's website.

Mayor Martin:

On May 6, 2015, Northeast Youth and Family Services will hold their annual Leadership Luncheon. The keynote speaker will be the Commissioner for the Department of Health, Dr. Ed Ehlinger.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Springhorn to adopt the Consent Agenda for March 2, 2015, and all relevant resolutions for item Nos. 1 through 9:

1. February 9, 2015 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes
2. February 17, 2015 City Council Meeting Minutes
3. Receipt of Committee/Commission Minutes:
 - Planning Commission Workshop, December 16, 2015
 - Parks and Recreation Commission, January 22, 2015
 - Planning Commission, January 27, 2015
 - Economic Development Authority, February 9, 2015
 - Environmental Quality Committee, February 23, 2015
4. Verified Claims in the Amount of \$789,654.42
5. Purchases
6. License Applications
7. Conditional Use Permit - Michael Weber, 4136 Reiland Lane
8. Authorize Purchase of John Deere 1585 Tractor with Attachments
9. Approve Plans and Specifications, Order Improvements and Order Taking of Bids for Lexington Avenue/County Road F Watermain Replacement, CP 15-06

VOTE: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

PUBLIC HEARING

ITEMS RELATED TO WOODVIEW ADDITION, MOSER HOMES, INC.

A. VACATION - NOVOTNY, NOVOTNY AND BANHOLZER, JR., 5515/5521/5525

TURTLE LAKE ROAD*

B. FINAL PLAT, 5515/5525

Presentation by City Planner Kathleen Castle

The vacation request is from the property owners at 5515, 5521 and 5525 Turtle Lake Road. The request is for the City to vacate the north 10 feet of Turtle Lake Road right-of-way, which is adjacent to their property. The properties at 5515 and 5525 have submitted a Final Plat to create 4 single-family residential lots. The homes on 5515 and 5525 will remain. The lots comply with the minimum standards of the R1 Detached Residential Zoning District. Easements will be dedicated over wetland areas and buffers as part of the Final Plat.

Turtle Lake Road was originally a County road that was turned back to the City in 2005. The current one-half width of the right-of-way is 43 feet. A reduction of the right-of-way to 33 feet will not impact the public's interest in the road way or current trail. The remaining right-of-way will be 66 feet, which will meet the City's current and future needs.

Notice for the public hearing was published in the City's legal newspaper and mailed to impacted property owners. Xcel Energy operates and maintains overhead utility lines in the right-of-way. Xcel has no objections as the lines will be located in an easement. One resident commented on the impact to trees and whether there is any benefit to the City.

City Attorney Kelly stated that proper notice has been published and sent for the public hearing.

Mayor Martin opened the public hearing. There were no comments or questions.

MOTION: by Councilmember Quigley, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to close the public hearing at 7:47 p.m.

VOTE: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

MOTION: by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Quigley to adopt Resolution 15-14, approving the Vacation request, submitted by the Moser Homes, Inc. vacating the interest of the public in certain easements encumbering the property at 5515, 5521 and 5525 Turtle Lake Road, subject to the following:

1. Approval of the Final Plat, Woodview Addition, by the City Council.
2. Resolution 15-14 approving the vacation request shall be recorded with Ramsey County prior to the City endorsing the final plat for recording with Ramsey County.

3. The vacated portion of the right-of-way shall be encumbered with a drainage and utility easement.

This approval is based on the following finding:

1. The easement proposed for vacation no longer serves the need of the public.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

MOTION: by Councilmember Springhorn, seconded by Councilmember Quigley to approve the Final Plat application submitted by Moser Homes, Inc., to subdivide the property at 5515 and 5525 Turtle Lake Road, and authorize execution of the Site Development Agreement, subject to the following:

1. A public use dedication fee shall be submitted as required by ordinance prior to release of the final plat by the City. Credit shall be given for the two existing dwellings.
2. The applicant shall obtain permits from Rice Creek Watershed District, and other agencies as needed prior to the City's issuance of a grading permit or building permit.
3. Municipal water and sewer shall be provided to all lots.
4. Tree Preservation and Replanting plan shall be submitted with each building permit application for Lots 1 and 2. Replacement trees shall be planted in accordance with the City's Woodlands and Vegetation Ordinance.
5. The applicant and future property owners shall maintain a 16.5-foot buffer along the perimeter of the wetland areas.
6. Grading, Drainage and Erosion Control shall be submitted with each building permit application for Lots 1 and 2.
7. The driveway on Lot 1 shall be located as far west as possible, to improve traffic safety since there is a curve in the street.
8. The applicant is required to enter into a Site Development Agreement and Erosion Control Agreement with the City. Said agreements shall be executed by the City Council.

This approval is based on the following findings:

1. The subdivision is consistent with the policies of the Comprehensive Plan.
2. The subdivision will not conflict with or impede the planned use of adjoining property.
3. The proposed plat complies with the subdivision standards.
4. The Final Plat is consistent with the Preliminary Plat approval.

Discussion:

Mayor Martin noted that the property to the east has the same 10 feet of right-of-way that jogs into their property. That property owner may also wish a similar vacation. She asked if staff have had any discussions with that property owner and if the right-of-way width is the same for that property. Ms. Castle answered that staff has not spoken to that property owner, she is not sure if the applicants have. Mr. Maloney stated that the right-of-way width is not consistent on Turtle Lake Road.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

GENERAL BUSINESS

APPOINTMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

City Manager Schwerm reported that with Councilmember Springhorn's election to the City Council, a vacancy occurred on the Human Rights Commission. Two applications were received for that vacancy and were interviewed by the Commission which has recommended appointment of Eugene Nichols.

MOTION: by Councilmember Johnson, seconded by Councilmember Quigley to appoint Eugene Nichols to the Human Rights Commission for a three-year term expiring January 31, 2018.

ROLL CALL: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Councilmember Springhorn, seconded by Councilmember Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

VOTE: Ayes - 4 Nays - 0

Mayor Martin declared the meeting adjourned.

THESE MINUTES APPROVED BY COUNCIL ON THE 16th DAY OF MARCH 2015.

Terry Schwerm
City Manager