

CITY OF MENDOTA HEIGHTS
DAKOTA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA

Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Held Tuesday, September 16, 2008

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the City Council, City of Mendota Heights, Minnesota was held at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at City Hall, 1101 Victoria Curve, Mendota Heights, Minnesota.

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Duggan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following members were present: Councilmembers Krebsbach, Schneeman and Vitelli. Mayor Huber was excused.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council, the audience and staff recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Councilmember Vitelli moved adoption of the agenda as presented. Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Schneeman moved to approve the minutes of September 2, 2008 as corrected. Commissioner Vitelli seconded the motion.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Schneeman moved approval of the consent calendar as presented, pulling items c and k for further discussion and authorization for execution of any necessary documents contained therein.

- a. Acknowledgement of the August 2008 Fire Department Monthly Report.
- b. Acknowledgement of the August 2008 Treasurer's Report.
- c. Acknowledgement of the Par 3 Update.
- d. Authorization for Mayor and City Administrator to Sign 2009/2010 Minnesota Teamster (Public Works) Contract.
- e. Authorization for Purchase of Voting Booths.

- f. Authorization for Purchase of Turnout Gear.
- g. Approval of Request for Tabling of Planning Case 08-25.
- h. Adoption of Resolution No. 08-59: “A RESOLUTION FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGING DONATION OF LANDSCAPE MATERIALS VALUED AT \$238.59 TO THE CITY OF MENDOTA HEIGHTS.”
- i. Adoption of Resolution No. 08-60: “A RESOLUTION DECLARING COSTS TO BE ASSESSED, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND ESTABLISHING THE DATE OF THE ASSESSMENT HEARING FOR AVENUES AND KAY AVENUE/WALSH LANE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT (IMPROVEMENT NO. 200801).”
- j. Adoption of Resolution No. 08-61: “A RESOLUTION DECLARING COSTS TO BE ASSESSED, ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF PROPOSED ASSESSMENT ROLL, AND ESTABLISHING THE DATE OF THE ASSESSMENT HEARING FOR SOMERSET PARK/EVERGREEN KNOLL REHABILITATION MILL AND OVERLAY PROJECT (IMPROVEMENT NO. 200802).”
- k. Adoption of Resolution No. 08-62: “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MENDOTA HEIGHTS TO REQUEST A MN/DOT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROJECT”.
- l. Approval of the List of Contractors, dated September 10, 2008.
- m. Approval of the List of Claims, dated September 16, 2008, totaling \$463,499.44.

Councilmember Krebsbach said it would be interesting to get a summary of what the City’s involvement was for the Republican National Convention.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked Finance Director Kristin Schabacker for an update on the City’s

\$500,000 investment with Freddie Mac.

Councilmember Schneeman asked if the City has anything to do with Lehmann. Acting Mayor Duggan said they do not. Ms. Schabacker said the City does have an investment with Freddie Mac and she talked with the City's financial advisor, Wacovia. Since the federal government did bail out Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, this loan is now guaranteed by the federal government; therefore the City is not at risk at losing this. Ms. Schabacker said there are three different types of Freddie Mac: bond holders, current stock holders, and common stock holders. Ms. Schabacker said the City is a bond holder, which were first in line. Acting Mayor Duggan said he heard in the news that under SIDC, up to \$500,000 is guaranteed by the government, so the City has that guarantee as well. Ms. Schabacker said as the City's investments mature, she works with the financial advisor to see what is available out there and which investments would be the best for the City for the best rates and the best amount of time.

Acting Mayor Duggan referred to Item g for United Properties on Northland Drive and Pilot Knob and said he walked the property and has alerted Staff that regarding the use of the gas line easement that runs along the south border of the property and the potential need for the retaining wall there for the parking that is proposed to be within 10-ft of the fence, and believes there is maybe an approx. 6-ft drop and does not know if that will be acceptable to the Xcel and NSP. Acting Mayor Duggan asked Staff to let the hotel people know as well.

Public Works Director John Mazzitello said he alerted United Properties this afternoon and expect to hear back from them in the morning.

Acting Mayor Duggan referred to Item i and asked Mr. Mazzitello to talk about a discrepancy. Mr. Mazzitello said he provided a revised resolution for the Council's consideration noting some small corrections to the text. Mr. Mazzitello said he will be closing on a property in this neighborhood on September 26th, and all of this work was initiated

before Mr. Mazzitello purchased the property. Mr. Mazzitello said it has been stated in his contract that these assessments belong to the seller.

Mr. Mazzitello said there have also been some small corrections to Item j for Resolution No. 08-61.

Acting Mayor Duggan seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Councilmember Krebsbach asked to have item c pulled and said the Par 3 golf course had a very successful year with revenue outpacing the expenditures for operations by \$70,379. There were 2,495 rounds of golf played in August and to date, there have been 10,504 rounds played this year.

Councilmember Krebsbach said this golf course has been operating very successfully and there have been some improvements made to the clubhouse. Assistant to the City Administrator Sedlacek said there has been some maintenance work and landscaping done. The painting of the outside and the bathroom project should be done this week.

Councilmember Schneeman said she drove by the golf course this evening and there are a lot of cars there, which is very encouraging.

Councilmember Krebsbach moved to approve the Par 3 Golf Course Update as presented. Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0

Councilmember Krebsbach asked to have item k pulled and said she is glad to see the Council is addressing the traffic at Highway 55 and Mendota Heights Road as there is a lot of traffic with the kids going to the high schools and other people traveling in the area. Acting Mayor Duggan said the speed of the traffic is pretty fast in the area as well.

Councilmember Schneeman moved adoption of Resolution No. 08-62: "A RESOLUTION WHICH AUTHORIZES THE CITY OF MENDOTA

HEIGHTS TO REQUEST A MN/DOT
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROJECT.”

Councilmember Krebsbach seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

BID AWARD

Stacie Kvilvang, Ehlers and Associate, said that at the September 2nd City Council meeting, the Council authorized the public sale of \$3,200,000 GO Improvement Bonds to finance the Avenues and the Kay/Walsh, Evergreen Knoll/Somerset Park Mill and Overlay and the Callahan Place projects. On September 8th, Ms. Kvilvang had a phone conversation with Moody's, and has part of that call, Ms. Kvilvang said she discussed the financial health of the City and is happy to say they reaffirmed the City's Aa2 bond rating. Ms. Kvilvang said this rating comes as a result of a mature and healthy tax base for the city, with a valuation growth of about 12% since 2002, which is very high. Ms. Kvilvang said this is all attributed to the City's strong financial management. Ms. Kvilvang reviewed the Bid Tabulation and there were five bidders; the low bidder being Wells Fargo Brokerage Services, LLC.

Councilmember Schneeman moved to approve Resolution #08-63: "A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$3,200,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2008A, PLEDGING SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SECURITY THEREOF AND LEVYING A TAX FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF."

Councilmember Krebsbach seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

CASE NO. 08-24, OSTROSKY
CRITICAL AREA PERMIT

Mr. Sedlacek introduced Planning Case 08-24 for Keith Ostrosky, for a critical area permit for the property located at 1680 Lexington Avenue.

Mr. Sedlacek said this home had been vacant for a long time and there have been a few developers expressing interest in developing this lot, trying to squeeze multiple homes on this property. Mr.

Ostrosky recently purchased this property, occupying this home, and has been making various improvements. Mr. Ostrosky was before the Planning Commission and Council earlier this year with an application for a variance and a critical area permit. At that time, he requested permission to add some dirt around the home to improve the drainage away from the home. Council approved this request and there was some confusion as the applicant proceeded to do much more work than was approved, and Staff asked Mr. Ostrosky to stop the work until the appropriate approvals have been granted.

Mr. Sedlacek the work that is being proposed at this time is a lot of work around the house itself, including correcting this drainage issue. Mr. Sedlacek shared a drawing of the property and reviewed the proposed changes, noting that the property abuts the City of Lilydale.

The Planning Commission agreed with the Planner's recommendation and voted 6-0 (Norton absent) to recommend approval of the critical area permit with an addition condition that the applicant provide a detailed site plan deemed acceptable to Staff.

This application did not make the Council meeting following the Planning Commission as Staff did not feel there was enough material to bring to Council.

In reviewing the proposed improvements, Mr. Sedlacek said the applicant is also proposing to replace an existing shed that is to be 5-ft. from the side yard. Mr. Sedlacek also noted that the existing shed is not shown on the site plan. The new shed is proposed to be 8-ft. by 14-ft., and located 5-ft. from the property line and 40-ft. from the home.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked if this was presented at the last Council meeting after the applicant went to the Planning Commission as he thought it was. Mr. Sedlacek said it did not make the planning application so it was not technically approved at the last meeting.

Councilmember Krebsbach said she was concerned that Lilydale was not contacted the first time. Mr. Sedlacek said he received an email from Lilydale acknowledging their receipt of materials in advance of this presentation.

Mr. Sedlacek said the applicant originally was to make some minor improvements (roofline, addition) and since has decided that more improvements were needed to address the water issue. Mr. Sedlacek said the result of these improvements will reduce the total impervious surface on the property.

Mr. Sedlacek said the applicant provided details on the materials to be used for the shed but has not indicated the location of the shed on the plan. Mr. Sedlacek said the Council can make an approval of the permit with the condition that a building permit will be issued only after review of the proposed shed, and the applicant would not have to come through the public hearing process again.

Councilmember Krebsbach said she wants to make sure what the shed looks like as it is so close to the condominiums next door in Lilydale.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked if Staff was satisfied, based on the presentation and Staff overview of the application of the materials and request of the Planning Commission, that the applicant is meeting all the requirements and ordinances. Mr. Sedlacek said the retaining wall meets the requirement as it is less than 4-ft., and does not require a specific building permit. Mr. Sedlacek said it would be nice to have elevations as are typically presented on site plans, and this application technically meets all the requirements of the code. Staff feel it is an appropriate treatment of that area.

Councilmember Krebsbach said if this application was sent to Lilydale. She stated that there is no sketch of the shed and therefore it is not a complete application. Councilmember Schneeman said she believes the Council has seen a sketch of the shed. Acting Mayor Duggan asked Mr. Ostrosky to step forward to address this issue.

Keith Ostrosky, 1680 Lexington Avenue, said he believed the shed was approved at the last Council meeting. Acting Mayor Duggan said he believed the same.

Councilmember Krebsbach said if this was approved already, she questions how big the shed is. Mr. Ostrosky said the old shed is 8-ft. by 5-ft. and that the new proposed shed will be 8-ft. by 14-ft.

Councilmember Krebsbach asked if Lilydale has received a sketch of the proposed shed. Mr. Sedlacek said they have. Councilmember Krebsbach said the plan before the Council at this time does not show the shed. Mr. Sedlacek said the Council is missing that particular sheet, and reviewed the sheet that was sent to Lilydale. Mr. Sedlacek said he sent this packet to Lilydale on Monday, September 15th and received confirmation from the Lilydale clerk that they had received it. Councilmember Krebsbach asked if the clerk knew this application was on the agenda this evening. Mr. Sedlacek said she was aware of the agenda item.

Councilmember Schneeman asked Mr. Ostrosky when he plans to be done with all this work. Mr. Ostrosky said in a few weeks.

Councilmember Vitelli said he has the same concerns as Councilmember Krebsbach in regards to the lack of information on the shed. Councilmember Vitelli said he would like to see this application resubmitted in two weeks in a completed format. Councilmember Vitelli said this application needs to be in order because it is in the critical area and neighbors Lilydale. Mr. Ostrosky said the new shed will be in the same place as the old shed, and the condo neighbors have all been visiting his property, voicing their approval.

Councilmember Krebsbach said she believes this application needs to be more complete.

Councilmember Schneeman asked if the work will be held back because of the lack of information on

the shed. Mr. Ostrosky said he can continue doing the other work.

Acting Mayor Duggan moved to approve the critical area permit and modified site plan, without the shed, and ask the applicant to provide additional site plan information on the proposed shed. Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Councilmember Vitelli said he will vote against this because the package is not complete. Councilmember Vitelli said the Council should expect thoroughness and completeness on a submittal. Councilmember Vitelli said when this is properly submitted he will most likely support it.

Councilmember Krebsbach said this application is a patchwork, and everything needs to be in order.

Mr. Sedlacek said it would be better to exclude the shed from the approval altogether or to create a condition where that building permit must be reviewed, and to approve the critical area permit conditioned on one item might not be the cleanest way to do it. Mr. Sedlacek said the Council may prefer to continue this to the next Council meeting in two weeks.

Councilmember Schneeman said she thought the Council already approved this shed. Acting Mayor Duggan said he thought the same.

City Attorney Tami Diehm said the best course of action at this time is to recess this discussion to allow Staff to take a few moments and check into the past minutes to see if this was true.

Acting Mayor Duggan said he is comfortable with that and at the same time, confirm to the Council as to if the critical area permit requires anything further in relation to the shed.

Acting Mayor Duggan called for the question.

Ayes: 2 Duggan, Schneeman

Nays: 2 Krebsbach, Vitelli

Motion Failed

Acting Mayor Duggan recessed discussion on this application to allow Staff to do some further research.

PLAY COMPONENTS
FRIENDLY HILLS PLAYGROUND

Operations and Projects Coordinator Guy Kullander presented further information addressing questions raised by the City Council at the September 2nd meeting.

Mr. Kullander said some of the existing play equipment components were installed in 1990, and at that time, some older redwood equipment was removed. In 2002, the City installed an ADA (Handicap Accessible) component, installing a rubberized surface and concrete pads for portions of the play area.

Mr. Kullander reviewed a site plan, highlighting the handicap portion and rubberized surface, and how they all connect to other elements of the play area. Part of this equipment will be retained as it is only five to six years old. The rest of the equipment in the park will be removed and replaced with new components. The swings were originally installed in 1970 and are still substantially sound, but the border timbers are too close to where the ADA Fall Requirements lay out. New swings will be lowered to 8-ft. Mr. Kullander explained where the softer pad areas will be installed.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked if this was all approved by the Parks Commission. Mr. Kullander said it was.

Councilmember Schneeman asked if this was the same material that is being used in Wentworth Park. Mr. Kullander said it was, and further explained how the drainage of these areas is so important.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked when this work will be done. Mr. Kullander said it is scheduled as a 2009 project, but he would like to get the materials ordered soon.

Councilmember Vitelli moved to approve the presentation/proposals as submitted.

Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
TH110 AND DODD ROAD

Public Works Director Mazzitello said Staff met with representatives of MnDOT last week to go over the possibilities of providing increased safety for pedestrian crossings at Highway 110 and Dodd Road, particularly from south of Highway 110 to north of Highway 110.

This group discussed three brainstorming options: 1) providing a pedestrian bridge over Highway 110, 2) providing a tunnel under the Highway 110 and Dodd Road intersection, and 3) traffic signal modifications to allow for greater time in crossing.

Mr. Mazzitello said the representatives from MnDOT concluded that a pedestrian only project would not likely be funded with state money; however, there are funds available through Met Council for trail and pedestrian improvements that Staff can apply for in the next application process that will be held in spring, 2009. Mr. Mazzitello said this grant would require a 20% match from the City. Mr. Mazzitello said state aid funds would be available if the City chooses to go with the signal modification option because of the traffic component to the pedestrian component. If this option is exercised, new pedestrian cross walks would have to meet the new ADA code and would have to be audible because it crosses a state highway.

Mr. Mazzitello said he made several phone calls to inquire of costs. If the City is going to make the application for the Met Council in spring, 2009, it would be good to have a feasibility study completed for the project to get an accurate itemized cost estimate and a defined scope. Mr. Mazzitello said depending on the level of detail the City wants for a consultant to go into the study, it would cost in a range between \$12,000 to \$30,000.

Mr. Mazzitello said he also contacted the pedestrian engineering coordinator for MnDOT to ask about

costs of other pedestrian bridges in the metro area and was told that in 2008 dollars, the City is looking at, minus an architectural appearance component, is somewhere in the \$1.5 million to \$2.0 million range for construction costs.

Mr. Mazzitello said if the Council would choose to do a feasibility study and move forward towards a Met Council application for funds, he will bring a resolution forward authorizing the completion of a feasibility study back at the October Council meeting.

Councilmember Vitelli said this report is excellent, and believes the City is on the right track. Councilmember Vitelli said he has a lot of respect for the Staff but on this item, personal attention from the Council is needed and suggested that the Council needs to actively convince Representative Hansen and Senator Metzen, Dakota County, MnDOT and Met Council by doing some homework and prepare a presentation, making sure there is citizen input, on why this is needed.

Councilmember Vitelli said if the Council gets involved, this can help Staff move this forward and suggested two Council members be a part of this committee. Councilmember Vitelli said he would be glad to work on this, and Councilmember Krebsbach said she would also be willing to do so.

Acting Mayor Duggan said he would like to spend time discussing the feasibility costs. He, Jake, Jim Danielson and Public Works Director Mazzitello met and indicated the discussions with Staff propose placing a potential bridge by the Tommy Chicago Pizzeria going south to Mendota Plaza. Acting Mayor Duggan said it needs to be ensured that Paster Enterprises are receiving information and status on this project.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked if Council was comfortable with proceeding with a parameter of \$12,000 to not exceed "X" thousands of dollars to study this.

Councilmember Krebsbach asked if this one study will review all the options. Mr. Mazzitello said that was correct.

Councilmember Schneeman asked if there are grants around that could possibly pay for this feasibility study. Mr. Mazzitello said he will investigate that possibility. Councilmember Schneeman said she wonders if even the DNR would get involved in this. Councilmember Schneeman said the Council needs to put their arms around this and work at it, getting a lot of people involved. Councilmember Schneeman said she talked with some people at the county who expressed interest in this.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked how much money the City would save on a study by eliminating the option of the tunnel and concentrating on the pedestrian bridge. He asked if this bridge is for pedestrian and bicycle use, does that expand the options and abilities for funding as opposed to just pedestrian. Mr. Mazzitello said he does not believe that including bicycles would be applicable to state aid funds, but it may help increase the odds for getting a grant through other sources. The estimate received from the consultant did not break down their figure, but if the Council requests a feasibility study be ordered, Mr. Mazzitello will request what the cost breakdown will be.

Councilmember Vitelli said he would not rule out anything, and the feasibility study should not only consider those three options but be open to other ideas.

Councilmember Krebsbach said Al Singer from Dakota County has talked about being interested in a tunnel and maybe they will be willing to help fund the study.

Councilmember Vitelli asked if the feasibility study will address funding sources. Mr. Mazzitello said the funding sources are one of the components.

Responding to a comment from Acting Mayor Duggan, Mr. Mazzitello said he can also include round-a-bouts as an option. Councilmembers Vitelli and Krebsbach were not in favor of an option for round-a-bouts.

Councilmember Schneeman said if there is a pedestrian bridge, it must include bicycles.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked to have a breakdown of the costs of the tunnel, the pedestrian/bicycle bridge and signal modification, and leave out the round-a-bout.

Councilmember Schneeman moved to authorize Staff create a resolution authorizing the advertisement of a feasibility study, along with a scope and bid breakdown for Council review. Councilmember Vitelli seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

KEN REED RESIGNATION

Council accepted the resignation of Ken Reed from the Mendota Heights ARC because he has accepted a job as an Airport Planner with the Metropolitan Airports Commission.

Acting Mayor Duggan said he attended the ARC meeting and said ARC passed a motion that the City Council appoint Joe Hennessey to the commission, effective immediately.

Councilmember Krebsbach said losing Mr. Reed will be a great loss.

Councilmember Vitelli moved to appoint Joe Hennessey to the ARC, effective immediately. Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

OSTROSKY CONTINUATION

Acting Mayor Duggan reopened the discussion on Planning Case No. 08-24.

Mr. Sedlacek said in reviewing the minutes from past meetings, it has been discovered that there is no

mention of the shed during discussions. Mr. Sedlacek said in terms of requiring a drawing of the proposed shed, the code does not specifically say that there needs to be one. Mr. Sedlacek said this has been past practice as applicants have brought these types of drawings in, but the letter of the law says the City needs to know where it is located and the impervious surface impact, and this information for this Case No. 08-24 is in the application.

Acting Mayor Duggan said it would be good to know the height of the shed. Mr. Ostrosky said it will be 8-ft. with a peak roof.

Councilmember Schneeman asked what the height of the current shed is now. Mr. Ostrosky said it was 8-ft, and will be slightly larger than the existing shed.

Acting Mayor Duggan summarized by saying the Council is looking to approve a resolution for the critical area, and the sticking point seems to be the shed, and knowing the height, size and location, and asked if this was acceptable to have this information sent to Lilydale. Ms. Diehm said the Planning Report that was provided to the City of Lilydale before the Planning Commission did include information about the size of the shed, but did not include the height of the shed. Ms. Diehm said the City of Lilydale received information that it would be an 8-ft. by 14-ft. shed.

Mr. Ostrosky said if the Council can make an addendum for the shed, he would like to have the permit granted to allow him to finish the rest of the house. The shed will be built of the same materials as the house, and the president of the condo association next door has visited the property and approves everything that is being done.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked if Staff was comfortable that these issues are being addressed as Mr. Ostrosky goes forward with the inspections. Mr. Sedlacek said they are.

Mr. Sedlacek said Staff recommends changing Item #3 of the resolution to read “The building permit for the shed shall not be issued until Council has approved it.”

Councilmember Vitelli moved adoption of Resolution No. 08-64: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CRITICAL AREA PERMIT AT 1680 LEXINGTON AVENUE,” with a revision to item 3 to say that the building permit for the shed shall not be issued until Council has approved it. Councilmember Schneeman seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

RESCHEDULE MEETING TIME

Acting Mayor Duggan said the regular City Council meeting scheduled for November 4th coincides with the date of the General and City Election. Staff recommends that the start time of the meeting be pushed back to 8:30 p.m.

Councilmember Vitelli moved to approve the rescheduling of the starting time for the November 4th meeting to 8:30 p.m.

Councilmember Krebsbach seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Councilmember Schneeman congratulated Mayor Huber, and Council members Krebsbach and Vitelli for filing for re-election, and noted that they are running unopposed.

SCHEDULING OF ELECTION CANVASSING BOARD

Acting Mayor Duggan said Staff is requesting that the Council pass a motion to schedule the 2008 Election Canvassing Board for Wednesday, November 5th. The Council is required by State Statute to canvass the returns of the City Election within two days of the election with a minimum of three members of the Council.

Councilmember Vitelli said he is available to do that.

Councilmember Krebsbach said she will not be available.

Councilmember Schneeman said she is not sure at this time and will try to do it.

Acting Mayor Duggan said he is not sure if he can attend.

Acting Mayor Duggan asked to have this on the agenda for the next meeting when Mayor Huber will be back.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Vitelli said he would like to have Staff take the city owned property on Dodd Road off the market as there has been no traffic on this.

Acting Mayor Duggan said this can get back on the agenda for the next meeting, and the Council can discuss the possibility of rezoning.

Councilmember Vitelli suggested two Council members meet with Staff to discuss various options. Mr. Sedlacek suggested having the broker provide a report for the next meeting. Councilmember Schneeman said she would be willing to join Councilmember Vitelli and Staff on these discussions. Councilmember Vitelli said it could be possible to change to commercial because putting a house next to commercial just does not make sense.

Councilmember Vitelli said this could be taken off the market and let it sit for about three years.

Councilmember Vitelli said Ms. Schabacker did an excellent job showing the Council what is in all various funds and what the future commitments might be, and what the sources are.

Councilmember Vitelli said he asked her to give the Council, at some convenient time for her, a five-year chart to see where the City has been and what future plans may be.

Councilmember Krebsbach asked Mr. Kullander about the access at Pilot Knob and said residents were happy that they could drive right up, but now there are barricades. Mr. Kullander explained that those were placed there to block vehicles, as there has been some problems with dumping. Mr.

Kullander said this is a public safety and police department issue, and that people can still access the walking trails. Councilmember Krebsbach said the residents have been very supportive of this area, and asked if the barriers can be moved back a bit so people can park there. Councilmember Schneeman said people can park on the street.

Mr. Kullander said eventually the road way will be left in place because Acacia Property goes all the way to the end of the asphalt and they from time to time have a burn pile there or use that as their stockpile for fallen trees, therefore they need a vehicle access for that.

Mr. Kullander talked about the Great River Greening project on September 27th, organizing volunteers to do some planting. Acting Mayor Duggan asked Mr. Kullander to make sure this information is on the City's website.

Mr. Sedlacek announced that in light of the inconveniences that customers had to deal with because of the Par 3 improvements, the golf course will be having a "Customer Appreciation Event" on Sunday, September 28th where golfers can enjoy a round of golf for \$3.00 for the whole day.

Mr. Sedlacek said the Pastors will again be hosting the annual city bonfire at Mendota Plaza.

Acting Mayor Duggan announced the Great Mississippi River Wine and Dine Rendezvous will be held on September 27th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, people can contact the Sage Market and Wine Bar or go to www.doyouvous.com

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Schneeman moved to adjourn the meeting.

Acting Mayor Duggan seconded the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Time of Adjournment 8:15 p.m.

Rebecca Shaffer
Recording Secretary

ATTEST:

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Acting Mayor