

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 2, 2006

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on February 25, 2006 at 6:04 a.m. in the Medina City Hall. Mayor Workman presided.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Weir, Workman, Cavanaugh, Smith

Members absent: Brinkman

Also present: City of Medina: City Administrator Chad Adams, Police Chief Ed Belland, Planner Rose Lorsung, Public Works Superintendent, City Engineer Tom Kellog and Finance Director Jeanne Day. Hennepin County: Marthand Nookala, Carl Michaud, Jim Grube, Phil Eckert, and Gregory Karr.

II. Discussion of Cooperative Initiatives

Adams provided an overview of the five discussion items: 1). Location of City Public Works facility on Hennepin County Public Works site; 2). Civil Defense Siren Location on Hennepin County site; 3). Wind Turbine Location on Hennepin County site; 4). Information Technology Center Backup Facility on Hennepin County site; 5). Hennepin County connection to sanitary sewer.

Carl Michaud provided a presentation on the County's request for a wind turbine to produce energy for the Hennepin County facilities to be located on their site. Discussion occurred on noise of the turbine, utilization as an alternative/renewable energy source, and process to get approval. Consensus was reached to direct the two staffs to work with each other on additional study and ultimate approval.

Discussion was held on the size of a possible City public works facility and its location at Hennepin County site. City operational costs and potential sharing of services were discussed. Consensus was reached for the City to continue working with Hennepin County on a possible future City facility on their site.

Sanitary sewer connection to Hennepin County facility was discussed, as well as the history of the site. The County's vehicle wash is one primary reason the connection is being requested even though the current system of eight years old is not experiencing problems. Discussion was held on the City's concern of this connection limiting capacity for sewer units through Met Council. City staff will monitor this discussion during the Comprehensive Plan update.

An Information Technology backup center for Hennepin County was requested to be added to the existing Hennepin County Public Works facility. Consensus was reached that Hennepin County should submit the appropriate plans to the City for approval.

The location of a civil defense siren at the Hennepin County site was discussed. The siren location is part of a broader City plan to identify coverage of the City. Discussion was held on the City vs. County ownership of the siren.

III. Adjournment

Cavanuagh moved, seconded by Weir to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Bruce D. Workman, Mayor

Attest:

Chad M. Adams, City Administrator-Clerk