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DATE : April 4, 2023
TIME STARTED : 6:30 p.m.
TIME ENDED : 7:31 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT : Councilmember Carr, Tufty, Rog, Giefer,
and Mayor Huber
MEMBERS ABSENT : None

Staff members present: City Attorney, Nick Vivian; City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck; City Treasurer Sharon Schwarze and Administrator/Clerk, Kim Points

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC INPUT

Mr. Jeff Schafer, 8688 Jamaca Ave N, came forward and inquired about the recent KEJ contract that was approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SETTING THE AGENDA

Council Member Rog moved to approve the agenda, as presented. Council Member Giefer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

March 2023 Bill List, \$50,651.05 Approved

KEJ Excessive Snow Removal, \$10,567.50 Approved

Council Member Giefer moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Council Member Tufty seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF AGENDA ITEMS

City Engineer, Brad Reifsteck

PUBLIC HEARING, Consideration of Resolution No. 2023-09, Ordering of Project on Honeye Avenue, 115th Street and Hillcrest Court Street Improvement Project – City Engineer Reifsteck

1 advised The City Council authorized preparation of the Feasibility Report for the project area on
2 November 1, 2022 and received the Feasibility Report on March 7, 2023.

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4 As identified in the Feasibility Report, total project cost is estimated to be \$511,692 including
5 construction, legal, engineering, administrative, and finance costs.

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7 The City notified affected property owners and persons expressing interest in the project of the
8 scheduled Improvement hearing within the minimum 10-day notification requirement and published
9 the notice of hearing in the City's official newspaper for two weeks.

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11 1. The project is anticipated to be funded using City Maintenance dollars and special
12 assessments in accordance with City's special assessment policy. Special assessments account
13 for approximately 75% of the total project costs. City funding would be responsible for the
14 remaining 25% of total project costs.
15 2. The amount of City of Grant funding for this project is estimated at \$127,923.
16 3. The preliminary assessment roll provides an estimate of \$14,904 per buildable unit.

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18 **Council Member Giefer moved to open the public hearing at 6:41 p.m. Council Member Tufty**
19 **seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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21 Mr. Neal Nordling, 7477 115th Street N, came forward and indicated he started the petition for road
22 improvements. He stated the road has degraded considerable and patching has failed. The truck
23 traffic through the Hillcrest area made the roads even worse. The roads are 40 years old and he
24 strongly encourages and endorses the project.

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26 Mr. Mike Fitzgerald, 11780 Honey Ave, came forward and stated the issue with the roads is the base
27 is failing. He stated he would like to see base improvements rather than tearing up the entire
28 roadway. He indicated he is not in favor of the project.

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30 Mr. Mike Menne, 11505 Hillcrest Court N, came forward and stated he fully supports the road project
31 as the road is not salvageable. The road needs to be repaired.

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33 Ms. Christy Devore, 11535 Hillcrest Court N, came forward and stated she supports the project.
34 Large busses basically fall off the right side of the circle. Drainage pools at her driveway causing
35 additional damage.

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37 Mr. Jim Kramer, 7971 120th Street N, came forward and stated he does not live or drive on the street
38 and does not want to be assessed for the project.

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40 Mr. Justin Howey, 1076 115th Street N, came forward and stated he supports the road project. He
41 would also like more information on base improvements as opposed to full reconstruct. He stated he
42 also supports Mr. Kramer being excluded from the assessments.

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44 Mr. John Rundquist, 7145 115th Street N, came forward and indicated full support for the project
45 noting the project should be done right and done once.

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1 Mr. Joel Dittberner, 7504 115th Street N, came forward and stated he supports the road project.
2 Twenty-five years ago, the road was in decent shape but it is now in very bad shape.

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4 **Council Member Giefer moved to close the public hearing at 6:56 p.m. Council Member Rog**
5 **seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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7 City Engineer Reifsteck advised subgrade costs were included in the feasibility report. Reclaiming
8 from the rest of the road would be used for the project. Drainage issues would also be addressed with
9 the property owners and widening the cul-de-sac entrance can be looked at. An overlay was looked
10 at and it does not make as the subgrade would not be addressed. With the project a crown would be
11 added that would address many issues on the roadways. He noted the property owner at 7971 120th
12 Street N would not be assessed the full amount but a quarter (1/4) amount per the City's current Road
13 Policy.

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15 **Council Member Giefer moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-09, as presented. Council Member**
16 **Tufty seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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18 **Consideration of Patching Bids** – City Engineer Reifsteck advised a new roadway patching contract
19 is needed for pothole patching and other roadway maintenance on paved roads for 2023.

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21 Staff received two quotes for this work as follows:

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- 23 • ARC Paving Inc.: \$725 per hour . Bituminous mix will be charged and
- 24 invoiced to the city at cost.
- 25 • TA Schifsky & Sons: \$850 per hour with a 3-hour minimum. Bituminous mix
- 26 will be charged at a rate of \$80/ton.
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28 Approval of the quote from ARC Paving will lock equipment and labor pricing until April 1, 2024.
29 As mentioned, pricing for patching materials is proposed to be a pass-through cost from the
30 bituminous plant since oil prices are difficult to forecast.

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32 Staff recommend approving ARC Paving Inc for patching and pothole repairs.

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34 **Council Member Giefer moved to award the patching contract to ARC Paving, as presented.**
35 **Council Member Tufty seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Rog voting**
36 **nay.**

37 **City Planner, Jennifer Swanson (no action items)**

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39 **City Attorney, Nick Vivian (no action items)**

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41 **NEW BUSINESS**

42 **Consideration of March 7, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes** – Council Member Rog moved
43 **to approve the March 7, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes, as presented. Council Member**
44 **Tufty seconded the motion. Motion carried with Council Member Carr abstaining.**

1 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

2 There was no unfinished business.

3 **DISCUSSION ITEMS (no action taken)**

4 **Staff Updates (updates from Staff, no action taken)**

5 **City Council Reports/Future Agenda Items**

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7 **COMMUNITY CALENDAR APRIL 8 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2023:**

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9 **Mahtomedi Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, April 13th and April 27th, Mahtomedi**
10 **District Education Center, 7:00 p.m.**

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12 **Stillwater Public Schools Board Meeting, Thursday, April 13th, Stillwater City Hall, 7:00 p.m.**

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14 **Washington County Commissioners Meeting, Tuesdays, Government Center, 9:00 a.m.**

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16 **Annual City Clean Up Day, Saturday, April 29th, 9:00 am to Noon, Town Hall**

17 **ADJOURNMENT**

18 **Council Member Tufty moved to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. Council Member Giefer seconded the**
19 **motion. Motion carried unanimously.**

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22 These minutes were considered and approved at the regular Council Meeting May 2, 2023.

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Kim Points, Administrator/Clerk

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Jeff Huber, Mayor