

**HOPKINS CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS
AUGUST 8, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Hopkins City Council was held on Monday, August 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1010 1st Street South.

Mayor Hanlon called the meeting to order with Council Members Balan, Beck, Garrido and Hunke attending. Others attending included City Manager Mornson, Assistant City Manager Lenz, City Clerk Domeier, Management Analyst Imihy Bean, Director of Planning and Development Elverum, Public Works Director Stanley and Finance Director Bishop.

Regulation of THC Products; Domeier

City Clerk Domeier solicited feedback and direction on how to proceed with possible THC regulations. The City Council supported having a licensing structure in place to have some control over the sale of THC in Hopkins.

Discussion around regulation included:

- No transient merchant sales
- Sales only from establishments
- Conduct background checks
- Potentially limit the number of locations that sell
- Restrict near schools
- 18 to sell products
- No vending machine sales
- No delivery sales
- No self-service displays
- Requirements same as tobacco for the 25% of floor place (no stand-alone)
- Reasonable fee structure

Staff will use the discussion items to craft an ordinance. Council preferred to regulate use types and not have to amend the zoning code if possible. City Clerk Domeier anticipated further review this fall.

2023 – 2027 Capital Improvement & Equipment Replacement Plans; Bishop

Finance Director Bishop presented the 2023 to 2027 Capital Improvement and Equipment Replacement Plans.

CIP: Brief discussion was held about the Burnes Park debt service amount. Mr. Bishop explained that franchise fee funds could be used towards the debt service amount but not the park dedicate fees. Council Member Beck suggested reducing the Burnes Park debt service amount.

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ERP: Brief discussion was held about emerald ash borer and adding funds for forestry. Mr. Stanley stated that the forestry equipment is used daily. He would need to follow-up on the tree replacement plans.

Council Member Balan questioned the remaining ARPA funds. City Manager Mornson stated the remaining funds were set aside for inflation or a potential budget reduction.

City Manager Performance Review

Motion by Balan. **Second** by Hunke.

Motion to Close the meeting for the purpose of conducting a performance evaluation of the City Manager Mike Mornson pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05 subd. 3(a).

Ayes: Balan, Beck, Garrido, Hanlon, Hunke

Nays: None. **Motion carried.**

The City Council met in closed session to conduct the performance evaluation of City Manager Mornson. The City Council will summarize its conclusions at the August 16, 2022 regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

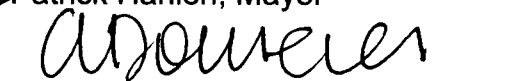
There being no further business to come before the City Council the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Domeier, City Clerk

ATTEST:



Patrick Hanlon, Mayor



Amy Domeier, City Clerk