

**Greenwood City Council  
Worksession Minutes**

6:00 pm, Tuesday, August 6, 2014  
Deephaven City Hall ~ 20225 Cottagewood Avenue ~ Deephaven, MN 55331

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Approval Agenda

Mayor Kind called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Council members present: Cook, Fletcher, Quam and Roy  
Others present: City Clerk Karpas

Cook moved to approve the agenda. Second by Quam. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Discuss 2015 Budget

Mayor Kind suggested the council go through the budget page by page and if any Councilmembers had a question they could reference the line item for discussion.

Councilmember Fletcher said he had no changes to the investment income on line 31, but suggested the Council may want to look at its investment strategy in the future. Quam asked why there was no money included in the office supplies budget on line 58. Mayor Kind said the cost of supplies is spread out amongst other areas. Fletcher said he would feel better if there was at least a small amount in that fund. The Council agreed and \$150 was placed in the fund.

Councilmember Quam asked if a portion of the \$150 included in line 65, Communications, could go towards paying the Mayor's cell expense. Mayor Kind said that would not be necessary. Quam asked about the legal services expenses in lines 77 and 78, noting there is no increase proposed. Mayor Kind said the actual amount for 2014 is substantially lower than the budgeted amount, so a change may not be necessary.

Councilmember Fletcher discussed prosecution services and it was agreed that research would be done on the current conviction rate versus other cities within SLMPD before considering moving forward with an RFP for a new prosecuting attorney.

Mayor Kind discussed Council salaries noting some cities tie them to the CPI by ordinance, so official action is not necessary on an annual basis. The Council was not interested in pursuing that type of budget/ordinance change.

Councilmember Quam expressed an interest in paying Planning Commission members. The Council did not feel that was appropriate.

Mayor Kind noted a new line item was created to specifically address the repair of Minnetonka Boulevard.

The Council discussed the contribution to the Southshore Center given the current uncertainty. The Council agreed to keep the contribution in the budget to keep options open if they wanted to make a voluntary contribution.

The Council briefly discussed the Enterprise funds.

Councilmember Cook discussed current issues related to increased flows from Greenwood into the Met Council's system which will lead to increase fees to the city. He said the cost to fix the problem will be substantial, though it would spread over a number of years. Councilmember

Quam asked if the city would qualify with for any grant funding. Cook said it would, but there may not be much out there. The Council will continue to monitor the situation.

The discussed the proposed fees for the upcoming year and agreed to make the following changes:

- Add color copy fee of \$1.00 per sheet
- Change the sewer fee to \$65 per quarter
- Change the stormwater fee to \$17 per quarter
- Change the municipal dock fee to \$1300.

### 3. Adjournment

Roy moved to adjourn. Second by Cook. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted  
Gus Karpas  
City Clerk