

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2010**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**MAYOR: GENE WINSTEAD**

**COUNCILMEMBER'S: AMY GRADY**  
**STEVE ELKINS**  
**VERN WILCOX**

**KAREN NORDSTROM**  
**STEVE PETERSON**  
**THOMAS HULTING**

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**1 CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM**

*7 pm*

**2 INTRODUCTORY**

2.1 Flag Presentation

*None*

**3 CONSENT BUSINESS**

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| 3.1 Consider Wireless Antenna Lease with Verizon Wireless LLC, 10810 Bloomington Ferry Road (Dred Scott Ballfields)                             | <i>Approved</i>                                     |
| 3.2 Approving Plans & Specifications for EECBG Pro; Bloomington Ferry Rd Bikeway Upgrade  | <i>Adopted Res.</i>                                 |
| 3.3 Accept Donations  | <i>Accepted</i>                                     |
| 3.4 Accept Petition and Order Feasibility Study Improvements Adjacent to Richfield Bloomington Credit Union; 9500 Lyndale Ave.                  | <i>Accepted &amp; Adopted Res. Ordering Project</i> |
| 3.5 Approval of Letter to Provide Matching Funds in Year 2014 to the MnDOT OFCVO for Installation of Gates at the Kell Avenue Railroad Crossing | <i>Approved</i>                                     |
| 3.6 Adopt 2010 Legislative Policy   | <i>Adopted</i>                                      |
| 3.7 Approve Council Meeting Minutes of January 25, 2010   | <i>Approved</i>                                     |
| 3.8 Approve Addition of Three Streets as Alternate for 2010-102 PMP Street Maintenance Program (Handout)  | <i>Approved</i>                                     |

**4 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

*See Notes\**

*\*(Speaker #1: Jean Mellem & Todd Topel, 10229 Colorado Rd. appeared to state they had received a notice from the City informing them they were in violation of the City's ordinance regarding chickens and honey bees. They described how they keep their chickens and stated the problem is they cannot meet the City's setback requirements for a chicken coop due to their lot size. As a result, they requested the Council consider changing its ordinance to reduce the setback requirements. Staff to provide Council with information on this issue from other cities to determine if a majority of the Council want to consider amending the ordinance.)*

**4 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD continued**

See Notes\*

*\*(Speaker #2: Margo Roberts, 10221 Colorado Rd. appeared to state her support of her neighbors and their chickens. She stated the chickens don't make much noise and they don't smell. She enjoys having them next door.)*

*\*(Speaker #3: Jane Udlinek, 11039 Stanley Curve added her support for allowing chickens. She stated it's nice to have some "country" in the city. She inquired about an article she read in the Sun Current that reported it had been approved Bloomington homeowners' taxes were going to be raised to support Phase II of the Mall of America. She also inquired about costs relating to police at the Mall. The Mayor and City Manager stated the Mall has never relied on residential property taxes in the city of Bloomington to finance it, as it's been done totally with Tax Increment Financing (TIF). Although some additional revenues were adopted by the Legislature in 2008, they have never been implemented. That would require some negotiations between the City/ Port Authority and the Mall. While being part of a Tax Increment Financing District, the Mall is estimated to generate net to the community between additional admissions taxes, hotel/motel taxes, etc. over \$1 million annually to the City's General Fund. It was stated the Mall pays approximately \$17 million every year in property tax. The portion of taxes paid to the City and Hennepin County, however, is captured to repay the bonds that were let to pay for the improvements made by the City (roads, parking ramps, etc.) Regarding police at the Mall, the City Manager explained the Mall pays a base amount of property tax plus a portion of the liquor/lodging tax for many years has been used to fund the additional police officers at the Mall. He explained the police working parking details at the Mall on the weekends and on holidays are all paid for by the Mall.)*

**5 HEARINGS/PUBLIC INPUT – 7:15 PM****5.1 Licensing Division (none)**

5.1A Approve On-Sale Liquor Mgmt. Agmt.; Radisson Hotel Bloomington; 1700 American Blvd E *Approved*

**5.2 Development Business**

5.2A Interim Use Permit Outdoor Storage; Lakeview Electric c/o Galeon Co.; 8124 Pillsbury Ave. *Approved*

**5.3 Transportation and Utility Improvements**

5.3A Order Oxboro Streetscape Improvement Project, City Project 2010-802 *Adopted Res.\**

*\*(Adopted resolution ordering the public portion of the Oxboro Streetscape Improvement Project with direction to staff that the public portion of the project be built in conjunction with the Lyndale Avenue Pavement Management Program (PMP) Project and bid as an add-alternate to allow Council discretion in awarding the project.)*

**5.4 Ordinances (none)***None***5.5 Other**

5.5A Lower Penn Lake Management Plan *Approved as Presented*

**6 ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS**

6.1 City Council Policy & Issue Update *See Note\**

*\*(The City Manager announced there is a joint Council/Port Authority mtg. tentatively scheduled for April 22. He requested any Council members desiring to attend the 2010 MN Transportation Alliance Washington Fly-In event in June to contact him. They were also reminded of the Joint Council/Legislative Delegation mtg. on Friday, March 5 at 7:30 am at the Reflections Condominiums in South Loop.)*

