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CITY OF HAM LAKE CITY COUNCIL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2026

The Ham Lake City Council and Economic Development Authority met for its regular meeting on Monday, August 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Ham Lake City Hall located at 15544 Central Avenue NE in Ham Lake, Minnesota.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Biran Kirkham and Councilmembers Jim Doyle, Al Parranto and Andrew Hallberg

MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Mike Van Kirk

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney, Mark Berglund; City Engineer, Dave Krugler; City Administrator, Denise Webster; and Administrative Assistant, Nicole Wheeler

1.0 CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M. – Pledge of Allegiance

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Scott Coggins of Anoka County Election Integrity Team (ACEIT) stated concerns about the DS200 Mr. Coggins stated that the Vote Tabulator Machines having the EAC Federal Mark of Certification stickers were removed in 2020.

Caitie Aronson, 3859 Interlachen Dr NE, Ham Lake, MN was present with her son Waylon, to inquire about resurfacing the tennis court at Hiawatha Beach Park.

3.0 SPECIAL APPEARANCES/PUBLIC HEARINGS – None

4.0 CONSENT AGENDA

These items are considered to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence. (All items listed on the Consent Agenda are recommended for approval.)

- 4.1 Approval of minutes of July 20, 2026
- 4.2 Approval of claims in the amount of \$310,290.95
- 4.3 Approval of Resolution No. 26-30 scheduling a public hearing to vacate a prescriptive roadway easement and any prescriptive drainage and utility easement within Lot 1, Block 3, Timberline 2nd Addition
- 4.4 Approval of Resolution No. 26-31 ordering the preparation of the assessment roll and scheduling a Public Hearing for Street Light Assessments for 2027
- 4.5 Approval of the Outdoor Lighting Energy and Maintenance Agreement for Streetlights in Elwell Farms Second Addition

Motion by Doyle, seconded by Hallberg, to approve the Consent Agenda as written. All present in favor, motion carried.

5.0 PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 Harlan Worsham of Solid Rock Construction, requesting Commercial Site Plan Approval to construct Solid Rock Construction at 14376 Johnson Street NE

Mayor Kirkham stated the new building looks great and thanked Solid Rock Construction for staying in the City of Ham Lake. **Motion by Kirkham, seconded by Doyle, to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the Commercial Site Plan for Solid Rock Construction to construct a 14,741 square-foot building on 14376 Johnson Street NE, subject to meeting the requirements of the City Engineer and Building and Zoning Official and all City, County and State requirements. All present in favor, motion carried.**

6.0 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – None

7.0 APPEARANCES

7.1 Finance Director Andrea Murff, 2nd Quarter Financial Report

Finance Director Murff gave the financial report for the 2nd Quarter of 2026. Finance Director Murff reported on the Overall Cash Position by Fund decreased by approximately \$228,000 from December 31, 2025. Finance Director Murff stated the decrease is mostly due to paying construction costs for the Crosstown Business Park and pay offing the last of the 2010 CIP Bond payment. Finance Director Murff stated the overall General Fund expenditures were coming in under budget through June 30th, 2026, due to an open position in planning, not yet paying for annual support fees for PermitWorks software, and less activity in Public Works and the Parks Department. Finance Director Murff stated General Fund revenues were not meeting expectations for 1st Quarter 2026 due to timing of the tax settlement and not receiving the State's Fire Relief Pension Aid. Finance Director Murff stated General Fund cash was on target to where it has been in previous years. The City Council thanked Finance Director Murff.

8.0 CITY ATTORNEY - None

9.0 CITY ENGINEER - None

10.0 CITY ADMINISTRATOR – None

11.0 COUNCIL BUSINESS

11.1 Committee Reports

Councilmember Doyle stated there was a Road Committee meeting to discuss future road projects within the City.

11.2 Announcements and future agenda items

Mayor Kirkham stated that Night to Unite is tomorrow night. Mayor Kirkham, and Councilmembers Doyle and Parranto will be out in the City stopping at neighborhood parties.

Motion by Parranto, seconded by Hallberg, to adjourn the City Council meeting at 6:15 p.m. All present in favor, motion carried.



Nicole Wheeler, Administrative Assistant