



**Draft Minutes  
Special City Council Meeting  
May 17, 2021 at 6:00 pm**

**In attendance:** Mayor Carl Pederson, Councilor Steve Ovick, Councilor Mary Kay Sloan, Councilor Gina Pettie, and Councilor Kyler Palmer.

**Staff in Attendance:** Park and Recreation Director Stacy O'Rourke.

**Call to order:** Councilor Steve Ovick called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm. Mayor Pederson arrived at 6:08 pm.

**Discussion of 2021 Street Improvement Project:** Greg Anderson with SEH gave an overview of the 2021 Street Improvement project and schedule. The project will span Golf Avenue from Main Street to just west of 8<sup>th</sup> Street as well as 8<sup>th</sup> Street from Golf Avenue south to Wilcox Avenue. There will be storm sewer added as needed on the project to help with drainage as well as water main and sanitary sewer improvements. It was discussed that water main was to be added coming south through Hilltop park to the Civic Center to create a looped feed to the building and future site improvements. Street widths, locations, elevations, sidewalk locations, and curb types were also discussed so everyone could understand what the new project would look like once constructed.

Jim France asked about the outlet of the proposed storm sewer and its potential impact downstream along Main Street and Clark Street. Anderson stated the new storm sewer improvements will take into account the downstream discharge route and include features to match the current discharge rates. SEH will also coordinate with Pine County on the proposed storm sewer improvements as Main Street is a county road.

Anderson also noted the new improvements will include concrete cross gutters on 8<sup>th</sup> Street SW through the intersection with Wilcox Avenue. SEH recommends adding stop signs for east/west traffic on Wilcox at 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Anderson will note this at the June council meeting for council authorization when the plans are presented to council for authorization to advertise for bids.

**Assessment Policy Discussion:** Councilor Sloan and Mayor Pederson discussed where the city is at with review and possible changes with the existing assessment policy. Both reiterated they were unhappy with where the policy is at currently and stated they would continue moving forward with review and possible changes to the policy.

**Main Street Crosswalk and lighting upgrades discussion:**

There has been ongoing discussion about improving the cross walk across Main Street from the Civic Center to the east side of the street. There was discussion about the possibility of a push button

warning light system being installed at the crosswalk along with some possible street lighting improvements. SEH was directed to add these items to the Street Improvements as an alternative to get accurate costs.

*Motion by Ovick to adjourn meeting, seconded by Pederson. Verbal vote, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:38 pm*

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*Carl Pederson, Mayor*

*Minutes taken by City Engineer SEH, Greg Anderson and Zach Schmitz*