

**Roseville Public Works, Environment and
Transportation Commission**

Agenda Item

Date: January 28, 2020

Item No: 3

Item Description: Approval of the November 26, 2019 Public Works Commission Minutes

Attached are the minutes from the November 26, 2019 meeting.

Recommended Action:

Motion approving the minutes of November 26, 2019, subject to any necessary corrections or revision.

Move: _____

Second: _____

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

**Roseville Public Works, Environment
and Transportation Commission
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, November 26, 2019, at 6:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers, 2660 Civic Center Drive
Roseville, Minnesota 55113

1 **1. Introduction / Roll Call**

2 Chair Cihacek called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and at his
3 request, Public Works Director Marc Culver called the roll.

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5 **Present:** Chair Brian Cihacek; Vice Chair Joe Wozniak; and Members
6 Stephanie Hammer, Karen Huiett, Michael Joyce, Nancy Misra, and
7 Youth Member Jan Lynch

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9 **Absent:** Member Shane Spencer (Excused)

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11 **Staff Present:** Public Works Director Marc Culver; City
12 Engineer/Assistant Public Works Director Jesse Freihammer

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14 **2. Youth Commissioner Oath of Office**

15 Chair Cihacek administered the Oath of Office to Youth Commission Jan Lynch.

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17 **3. Public Comments**

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20 **4. Approval of October 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

21 *Comments and corrections to draft minutes had been submitted by PWETC*
22 *commissioners prior to tonight's meeting and those revisions incorporated into the*
23 *draft presented in meeting materials.*

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25 **Motion**

26 **Member Joyce moved, Member Hammer seconded, approval of the October**
27 **22, 2019 meeting minutes as presented.**

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29 **Ayes: 6**

30 **Nays: 0**

31 **Motion carried.**

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33 **5. Miscellaneous Items**

34 Public Works Director Marc Culver indicated the February meeting cannot be held
35 due to the primary. He noted alternate dates are February 18th, 20th or 27th. The
36 Commission agreed to move the February meeting to February 27, 2020 as the
37 alternate meeting date.

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39 Mr. Culver explained previously the PWET Commission had a conversation about
40 the Forestry Study Group on Policy Task Force and a couple of members from the
41 Parks and Rec Commission and one member from the Planning Commission who
42 have volunteered for this Task Force and he would like to have the PWETC appoint
43 a few members to the Task Force as well. He noted Chair Cihacek would be on the
44 Task Force along with Commissioner Hammer as the alternate on the Task Force.

45 46 **6. Communication Items**

47 City Engineer Jesse Freihammer provided a brief review and update on projects
48 and maintenance activities listed in the staff report dated November 26, 2019.

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50 Mr. Culver indicated the city added its first electrical vehicle to the fleet. He noted
51 the vehicle is a plug-in hybrid and anticipates that the vehicle will operate for the
52 most part as fully electric and is for the Utility Superintendent use.

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54 Vice Chair Wozniak asked if the city has applied for any grants through the State
55 for electric vehicles.

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57 Mr. Culver indicated the city has not and the city needs to work on the charging
58 station side because the city would like to get a charging station at city hall for the
59 public and staff. No grants have been applied for yet for electric vehicles. He
60 thought the city can make some real advances once the city gets to the point where
61 there is some confidence on other vehicles such as pickups and utility vehicles
62 being electric.

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64 Member Joyce asked if the city had the capacity to charge solar on that vehicle.

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66 Mr. Culver explained it is being charged in the maintenance facility and there is a
67 large solar array on the building and could be argued that fifty percent of the time
68 while the vehicle is charging it is being charged with solar energy. There is not a
69 meter to indicate when it is charging solar versus charging on the grid.

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71 Chair Cihacek asked what the electric car infrastructure looks like for the city
72 generally.

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74 Mr. Culver indicated he did not know and did not believe there were many in the
75 city.

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77 An audience member, Priscilla ?? noted there is one fast charger at Goodwill.

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79 Vice Chair Wozniak indicated the County put in a charger at the library.

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Mr. Peter Lindstrom, Metro Council representative, explained this is one of the areas of interest. He shared with the Commission the number of EV (electric vehicle) registrations in the entire region. He noted in Roseville there are a little over one hundred. He explained about eighty percent of people charge their EV's at home. There is also a website called plug share which is a really great resource that shows where all of the charging stations are located. There was also a cohort of twenty-eight cities that met for a year or so called "Cities Charging Ahead". He encouraged the Commission to google "Cities Charging Ahead" for more information, tools and resources for cities that are interesting in expanding their fleets and encouraging a better EV infrastructure for the city as a whole.

Chair Cihacek thought moving forward and as a part of strategic planning it might make sense as a part of the Transportation Plan to look at EV Infrastructure with a five- and ten-year number to build out the fleet.

7. 2020 Work Plan

City Engineer Jesse Freihammer provided a brief review and update on the 2020 Work Plan listed in the staff report dated November 26, 2019.

Member Hammer asked what the overall strategy was in how the Mill and Overlay Projects were determined.

Mr. Freihammer explained every four years all streets get rated and is used as a base index and also relying on Public Works staff and where the maintenance is being put on the roads.

Mr. Culver reviewed the process with the Commission.

Vice Chair Wozniak asked who would be responsible for stripping the pathways.

Mr. Freihammer indicated it would be the Public Works staff.

Chair Cihacek asked what the impact would be for any INI that is happening. He thought the north quadrant was the most impacted.

Mr. Freihammer thought the south quadrant has a fair amount as well. He noted the city has a map with sanitary sewer projects and lining of pipes, which does help.

Mr. Freihammer continued with review of the 2020 Work Plan.

Motion
Member Huiett moved, Member Joyce seconded, recommending approval of the 2020 Work Plan.

Ayes: 6

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Nays: 0
Motion carried.

8. Metropolitan Council Presentation

Mr. Peter Lindstrom, District 10 Metro Council representative and Mr. Adam Harrington, Director of Service Development at Metro Transit gave a presentation to the Commission on transit planning.

Chair Cihacek asked how planning data at the municipal level goes into long term route planning and help forecast future need as part of the route planning process.

Mr. Harrington reviewed Network Next which is a program to help plan future transit.

Chair Cihacek explained one of the issues the city faces in its Comprehensive Plan is that many of the major arterials are already congested beyond what it should be so how can the city engage in developing transit patterns or transit-oriented development as a congestion mitigation tool.

Mr. Harrington thought the challenge is where that happens. He explained when communities look for transit-oriented development, it is being looked at as just a principle and not how it applies. To him, where it really applies is how can they grow that market area. He showed a map of the transit planning and performance standards. Having contiguous development is really important to make it useful for riders. If there is a way to look at development patterns, build on what the city has and extend that out. He noted Rosedale is a perfect spot to think about how the city can infill that and is there a better mix.

Member Misra asked how the Met Council is planning on addressing the aging of the community as far as transit goes.

Mr. Harrington knew there was a service that currently runs a couple of times a week in Roseville that is almost a perfect match of what the Met Council sees to be a couple times a week. If there are not enough riders on a route on an average day, the challenge is where are people located and where should the best routes go in a community.

Mr. Harrington and Mr. Lindstrom concluded their presentation and left the meeting.

Chair Cihacek thought this was a very informative presentation.

Member Joyce was surprised that County Road C could not hold a route. That is the connection to Rosedale.

171 Chair Cihacek explained the County, city, MnDOT are all doing programs and
172 plans faster than a data collection on transportation routes so the question would be
173 if the city could get the information then it could be put into the model to fill in the
174 holes and would the city actually be able to get to the data needed and canvas the
175 people to make the justification.
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177 Member Hammer also wondered what kind of outreach is done and if there is a
178 partnership.
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180 Vice Chair Wozniak indicated he would have liked to have heard more about
181 marketing, outreach and surveying ridership by the Met Council.
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183 Chair Cihacek thought the Transit Marketing specialist should be brought in to
184 discuss this with the Commission.
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186 **9. Items for Next Meeting – January 28, 2020**

187 Discussion ensued regarding the January PWETC agenda:

- 188 ■ January Sustainability Super Meeting
 - 189 ○ Climate Action Plan Experience-Presentation by another city
 - 190 ○ Resilient Roseville Presentation on Xcel Energy Grant
 - 191 ○ Review of Carbon Footprint Reduction Efforts To Date
 - 192 ○ Review of other initiatives underway regarding resiliency, sustainability
193 and carbon footprint reductions
 - 194 ○ Partners in Energy and Climate Goal Change
 - 195 ○ Partnering with the Met Council

196 **10. Adjourn**

197 **Motion**

198 **Member Huiett moved, Member Wozniak seconded, adjournment of the**
200 **meeting at approximately 8:37 p.m.**
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202 **Ayes: 6**

203 **Nays: 0**

204 **Motion carried.**
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