



CITY OF AFTON
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
15730 Afton Boulevard South
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
At 6:30 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA** for the February 24, 2015 Special City Council Meeting.
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING**
 - a. Improvement Hearing - Downtown Improvement Projects
- 5. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS**
 - A. Order Downtown Improvement Projects
 - B. Schedule Special Council meeting
 - C. Amended Offer On the Property at 3561 St. Croix Trail (**The City Council may discuss the amended offer in a closed session**)
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

A quorum of the City Council or Other Commissions may be present to receive information at, but not limited to, any of the following meetings: Planning Commission; the Public Works Committee; Parks Committee; Design Review and Heritage Preservation Commission; Lower St. Croix Cable Commission; LSCWMO; MSCWMO; I-94 Corridor Coalition and the 5-City Mayor's Alliance.

City of Afton
3033 St. Croix Trl, P.O. Box 219
Afton, MN 55001

Meeting Date Feb. 24, 2015

Council Memo

To: Honorable Mayor Bend and Members of the City Council
From: Ron Moorse, City Administrator
Date: February 19, 2015
Re: Improvement Hearing for Downtown Improvement Projects

The improvement hearing for the downtown improvement projects will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the Memorial Lutheran Church. The hearing will begin with a presentation regarding the downtown improvement projects, including the impact of the assessments related to the projects. The presentation will be followed by an opportunity for public input regarding the projects. There is no Council action required as part of the hearing. However, after the hearing, the Council may take action regarding ordering the improvements.

Council Action Requested:

No Action Required.

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To: Honorable Mayor Bend and Members of the City Council
From: Ron Moore, City Administrator
Date: February 19, 2015
Re: Order Downtown Improvement Projects – **Resolution 2015-21**

The Council is holding an improvement hearing for the downtown improvement projects at 6:30 p.m. on February 24. At the conclusion of the improvement hearing, the Council may take action regarding ordering the improvements. Attached is a resolution ordering the downtown improvement projects.

Council Action Requested:

Motion regarding the adoption of a resolution ordering the Downtown Improvement Projects.

RESOLUTION 2015-21

**CITY OF AFTON
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENTS OF 2015

WHEREAS, The City Council deems it necessary and expedient that the City of Afton, Minnesota, construct certain improvements, to-wit: Downtown Improvements of 2015 in the City as described in and in accordance with the preliminary plans and report prepared by WSB and Associates, consulting engineers; and

WHEREAS, The Council has been advised by the consulting engineers that said Downtown Improvements of 2015 are necessary, cost-effective, and feasible and should best be made as proposed, and the consulting engineers' report to this effect has heretofore been received by the Council, and filed with the City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, The statute provides that no such improvements shall be made until the Council shall have held a public hearing on such improvements following mailed notice and two publications thereof in the official newspaper stating time and place of the hearing, the general nature of the improvement, the estimated costs thereof, and the area proposed to be assessed, and that a reasonable estimate of the total amount to be assessed, and a description of the methodology used to calculate individual assessments for affected parcels (the "Impact of Assessments") has been made available at the hearing, all in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, *this City Council has heretofore discussed and made determinations about the Impact of Assessments; and*

WHEREAS, the Council has provided the required notice of, and held, a public hearing on the Downtown Improvements of 2015; and

WHEREAS, a description of the methodology used to calculate individual assessments for affected parcels (the "Impact of Assessments") has been made available at the hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Afton does hereby order the Downtown Improvement Projects.

**APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AFTON THIS 24TH DAY OF
FEBRUARY, 2015.**

SIGNED:

Richard Bend, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ronald J. Moorse, City Administrator

Motion by:
Second by:
Palmquist:
Richter:
Ross
Nelson:
Bend:

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Date: February 19, 2015
Re: Schedule Special Council Meeting

The Council's goal setting process identified a number of goals, particularly related to the downtown improvement projects, that need to be accomplished within a short timeframe. To enable continued progress on these goals, staff is recommending a Special City Council meeting be scheduled in early March.

Council Action Requested:

Motion regarding scheduling a Special Council meeting in early March to enable continued progress on the 2015 goals.

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To: Honorable Mayor Bend and Members of the City Council
From: Ron Moore, City Administrator
Date: February 19, 2015
Re: Amended Offer On the Property at 3561 St. Croix Trail South

The City is in the process of purchasing easements on the Gehrke property at 3561 St. Croix Trail. The City's right-of-way acquisition consultant has determined that a Minimum Compensation Report is required on the Gehrke property. The Minimum Compensation Report is a requirement of the Federal Relocation Act. Because the Minimum Compensation Report reflects a minimum compensation amount that is higher than the City's initial offer, the City's offer needs to be amended to reflect the amount in the Minimum Compensation Report. The Minimum Compensation Report is being provided under separate cover.

Council Action Requested:

Motion regarding amending the offer to the Gehrkes on the property at 3561 St. Croix Trail South to reflect the amount in the Minimum Compensation Report.