

1 PROCEEDINGS OF THE AFTON CITY COUNCIL
2 CITY OF AFTON
3 WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
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5 APPROVED City Council Work Session Minutes
6 November 30, 2016
7 Afton City Hall
8 3033 St. Croix Trail
9 Afton, MN 55001
10 6:30 p.m.

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- 12 1. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 1:00 P.M. by Mayor Bend.
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 - 14 2. ROLL CALL: Council Members Nelson, Ross, Richter, Palmquist and Mayor Bend. Quorum Present.
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16 ALSO PRESENT: City Accountant Tom Niedzwiecki and City Administrator Ron Moorse

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- 18 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion/Second: Richter/Palmquist. To approve the agenda for the November
19 30, 2016 City Council Work Session as written. Motion carried 5-0-0.
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- 21 4. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS

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- 23 A. Street Improvements Planning

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25 The Council discussed street improvement funding scenarios and preparations for a public open house to
26 present information regarding street improvement needs, costs, timing and funding.

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28 Council member Richter indicated the 5% inflation rate that has been used in the funding scenarios was too high. It
29 should be 3%. It was discussed that a good compromise would be a 4% inflation rate.

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31 Council member Richter asked whether comment cards would be provided at the open house. It was discussed that
32 an important purpose of the open house was to be able to respond to questions from the public. This is best done at
33 the open house rather than through comment cards.

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35 The Council discussed what they wanted to get out of the open house. The Council agreed the open house needed
36 to provide information to the public regarding the City's roads and road improvement needs and costs. The Council
37 also wanted to get feedback from the public regarding how they feel about the condition of the City's roads, the
38 extent to which they could tolerate additional deterioration of the roads and the extent to which they could tolerate
39 higher taxes to improve the roads.

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41 The Council agreed that Council member Ross, City Administrator Moorse, and City Engineer Hankee would
42 prepare a PowerPoint Presentation for the open house.

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- 44 B. Downtown Village Improvements Project

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46 The Council discussed the need to track changes in the City's cost exposure for the Project. Council member Ross
47 suggested that triggers need to be established for updating the cash flow analysis. The Council agreed that costs
48 should be authorized for Tom Niedzwiecki to work with the City Engineer and the bond consultant to update the
49 cash flow analysis. The Council also agreed that the City Engineer should provide an executive summary
50 explaining the cost increases and how the increases affect the City's bottom line costs for the Project.

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- 52 5. ADJOURNMENT

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54 Motion/Second: Bend/Palmquist. To adjourn the meeting at 8:54 P.M. Motion carried 5-0-0.

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Respectfully submitted by:

Ron Moore, City Administrator

Approved by Council on December 20, 2016 as (check one): Presented: Amended: _____

Signed by Mayor Richard Bend: _____ Date: _____