

ROBBINSDALE CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019
ROBBINSDALE CITY HALL - BACK MEETING ROOM
FOLLOWING THE COUNCIL MEETING

1. The work session was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Selman at 10:04 p.m.
2. Councilmembers Present: Blonigan, Rogan, Selman, Backen, Mayor Murphy
Staff Present: Marcia Glick, City Manager; Richard McCoy, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Jim Franzen, Police Chief; Meagan Donahue, Assistant to City Manager

REVIEW NEXT STEPS: WATER TREATMENT PLANT & CHOWEN AVENUE

3. Council and staff discussed possible new water tower placement, options for the old water tower, and water softening. Alternate locations for the new water tower are limited and are being explored. Water softening would require some underground use of Lee Park north and west of the ball field. City-wide water softening would be require higher water utility fees, would replace the home and business water softening that introduce salt into the waste water stream, and will be included in water plant design plans.
4. Design of the Chowen Avenue reconstruction planned for this summer has revealed that a high quantity of storm water collected in the area goes through the Chowen storm sewer where there are areas of very poor soils which cannot support large storm sewer structures. Providing a secondary route under Beard Avenue will require reconstruction of that street which would benefit by replacement of aging water mains but had not been in the 5 year plan. Notices will be sent out to owners of Beard Avenue regarding the expectation of a 2020 reconstruction project and a public information session for this street will be scheduled after designs are prepared later this year. The reconstruction of Chowen Avenue is not advised until the new storm sewer line is in place on Beard Avenue resulting in a one year delay for that construction start.

DISCUSSION: SNOW EMERGENCY AND REMOVAL

5. Chief Franzen provided information about snow emergency car towing and citations. City-wide there have been very few complaints on the city's management of snow removal with this year's high snowfall totals. The timing of snowfalls, variation between prediction and actual snowfall, and safety priorities which arise which can disrupt staffing for issuance of citations can dramatically impact plans.

REVIEW: STRATEGIC GOALS

6. Glick provided overview of current goals presented in the packet.

MONTHLY UPDATE: PROBLEM PROPERTIES

7. The problem property list was distributed.

OTHER BUSINESS

8. Chief Franzen talked to Council about Colorado's experience with legalized marijuana sales and actions to regulate retail sale locations.

ADJOURNMENT

9. Mayor pro-tem Selman adjourned the work session at 11:20 p.m.


Meagan Donahue, Recorder


George Selman, Mayor Pro Tem