

**ROBBINSDALE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR WORK SESSION MINUTES**

TUESDAY, JULY 7th, 2020

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA WEBEX -- FOLLOWING THE COUNCIL MEETING

1. The work session was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Backen at 7:57 p.m.
2. Councilmembers Present by roll call vote: Blonigan, Rogan, Selman, Backen, Mayor Murphy.
3. Staff Present: Marcia Glick, City Manager; Richard McCoy, City Engineer; John Tingley, Assistant to City Manager.

DISCUSSION: Water Tower Design Options

4. McCoy discussed the preliminary designs with Council.
5. Council discussed the design options for the new water tower along 100 and County Road 81. The Council agreed the bird logo should be on the new tower; asked staff to check with the consultant who prepared the graphic standards for the logo about concepts and colors.

UPDATE: Water regulations on Lower Twin Lake – code attached

6. Glick presented an update to Council on existing regulations.
7. Council discussed the amount of canoes and kayaks on South Twin Lake, the former public beach on the Lake and how that impacted regulations, the need for community input, and increase in fishing of the lake.
8. Council discussed a future overhaul of the ordinance. With the amount of workload for staff, council agreed to postpone future discussion until winter including the council goals session.

UPDATE: Human Rights Commission Plans; Council feedback on vision for taskforce on race & Equity

9. Glick provided an update on the plans of Human Rights Commission.
10. Council presented ideas for a taskforce including the number of members, potentially hiring a consultant to help guide the activity and explore grant opportunities to help pay the cost of the consultant.
11. Council asked the Human Rights Commission to review the idea of the taskforce but to slow the process to allow time for community input before forming the taskforce. The Human Rights Commission would be able to help with identifying things the police department should be reviewing and where the City of Robbinsdale Police Department could be a leader, among other ideas that might come forward. Setting parameters for a taskforce to review.
12. Staff will continue to move the discussion forward.

UPDATE: Problem Properties

13. Glick presented the list.
14. Council discussed including a breakdown of race within the problem properties to make sure the code is being applied evenly.

UPDATE: Strategic Goals

15. Glick provided an update on Strategic Goals.

OTHER BUSINESS

16. Council discussed potential lighting options for the downtown streetscape re-design.

ADJOURNMENT

17. Mayor pro-tem Backen adjourned the work session at 9:07 p.m.

John Tingley, Recorder

Pat Backen, Mayor Pro-Tem