

COUNCIL'S CORNER



May 18, 2020: City Council Actions

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2019 Financial Audit

Employees from Clifton Larson Allen participated in the Council Meeting to present the 2019 Financial Audit. The Auditors opinion on the overall financial statements is an unqualified opinion which is the best opinion a City can receive on its financial statement. The 2019 Financial Audit Report was accepted as presented.

City of Minnetrista Proclaims Thursday May 28, 2020 as District 110 School Appreciation Day

School District 110, along with many others in the country have had to provide distance learning by teaching remotely for their approximately 4,000 student during the last ten weeks. The last day of school is scheduled for May 28, 2020, and to honor the teachers and staff for their outstanding effort during this time, the City Council proclaims May 28, 2020 as District 110 School Appreciation Day.

The City of Minnetrista will deliver quality services in a cost effective and innovative manner and provide opportunities for a high quality of life while protecting natural resources and maintaining a rural character, while effectively managing growth.

Public Hearing to Adopt Assessment for the 2020 Street Improvement Project

The assessable portion of the 2020 Street Improvement Project is proposed to be funded by the roads/streets tax levy and the Storm Sewer Fund, supported in part, by the special assessments. The amount to be assessed was declared to be \$299,120.03 The City's assessment policy states the benefiting property owners are to be assessed 50% of the total improvement costs. The proposed assessments are for the improvements to Lakeview Drive, Margaret Circle, and Shady Lane. The as-bid project costs of the 2020 Street Improvement Project is \$598,240.06 and is proposed to be funded as listed above, with 50% of the amount is being funded by special assessments to the benefitting property owners. Council approved a resolution adopting assessment for the 2020 Street Improvement Project

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Professional Services Agreement for the 2020 Overlay Project

City Council and staff have discussed the overlay of various city streets to extend the life of the pavement. City Council directed staff to prepare a Professional Services Agreement to prepare a quote package for a 1.5" bituminous overlay of Game Farm Circle, Retreat Circle and Sterling Drive.

WSB prepared a Professional Services Agreement to prepare a quote package for contractors and administer construction services. The proposed fee is hourly not to exceed \$12,240. Below is the proposed timeline:

Approve Professional Services Agreement: May 18, 2020

Approve Plans and Specifications: June 15, 2020

Award Contract : July 20, 2020

Begin Construction: July – August 2020

Complete Construction :September 2020

The preliminary cost estimate for this work is \$153,000. The City Council approved the Professional Services Agreement authorizing preparation of a quote package for the 2020 Overlay Project.

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Mayor Whalen's Blog

Beginning in 2020, Mayor Whalen introduced the [Mayor's Blog](#) in an effort to increase communication between the City and its residents. She blogs about City issues that the Council have discussed and issues that may be of interest to you. To keep up to date on her blogs, please visit the City's website.



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