

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF COLUMBIA HEIGHTS
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING-PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT HEARING
FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

The following are the minutes for the Public Improvement Hearing meeting of the City Council held at 6 pm on Monday, February 3, 2020 in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 590 40th Avenue N.E., Columbia Heights, Minnesota

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Schmitt called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Schmitt, Councilmembers Williams, Buesgens and Novitsky

Absent: Councilmember Murzyn, Jr.

Also Present: Kevin Hansen; Public Works Director/City Engineer, Kathy Young; Assistant City Engineer, and Nicole Tingley; City Clerk/Council Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT HEARING: 2020 SEAL COAT PROGRAM

A. Street Seal Coat Project – Zone 3

Kevin Hansen, Public Works Director gave an overview of the project noting that seal coating is used to extend the life of bituminous streets. Hansen stated that the estimated assessment rate is \$395.00 per lot and the assessment term is one year. Mayor Schmitt commented that not all of the streets are bituminous in this zone. Hansen clarified that the concrete streets and all alleys are not included.

Gerald Lamere- 5080 Mulcare Dr. commented that taxes in the City are too high. Lamere stated that the street costs should come out of the taxes that are already paid.

Andy Smoka- 1206 Khyber Ln. stated that seal coating is not going to take care of the problem with the streets and that a solution is needed not a band-aid. Public Works Director Hansen explained the City's cycle for street maintenance and construction and the process to determine projects. Hansen stated that after structural testing, mill and overlay was not yet warranted for the area.

Lamere also noted that the sewer by previous Mayor Nawrocki's residence is in bad condition.

Motion by Councilmember Buesgens, seconded by Councilmember Williams to close the Public Hearing of the 2020 Street Seal Coat, Project 1801. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Motion by Councilmember Buesgens, seconded by Councilmember Williams to waive the reading of Resolution 2020-17, there being ample copies available for the public. All Ayes, Motion Carried

Motion by Councilmember Buesgens, seconded by Councilmember Williams, to adopt Resolution 2020-17 being a resolution ordering improvement and preparation of plans for Zone 3 Street Seal Coating, City Project 1801. All Ayes, Motion Carried

Public Works Director Hansen noted that street patching will begin in the street prior to the seal coating. Seal coating will occur between mid-July to the end of August.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilmember Buesgens, seconded by Councilmember Novitsky to adjourn. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nicole Tingley, City Clerk/Council Secretary