

# CITY OF WINDOM

## NEWS & NOTES

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20th Edition

October 10, 2018

### Department Head Meeting Highlights

On October 10th the topics discussed included the following:

- Health Insurance Update – Discussions between representatives of IBEW, LELS and the Personnel Committee continue. Next meeting date is October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 2019 City Budget Workshops – The City Council held a workshop prior to the October 2<sup>nd</sup> City Council meeting to review proposed budgets. Another workshop is scheduled for prior to the October 16<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting. A third workshop will be scheduled to review and propose Capital projects.
- Charter Commission - Will meet on October 17<sup>th</sup>. This group will hear from an attorney with the Minnesota League of Cities about the aspects of a Charter City, what a Statutory City is and what the pros\cons are of each type.
- Health\Wellness – Blood draw checks are being offered by Hy-Vee to our employees. Also, remember that you can check your blood pressure on-site at City departments and log the results into CCtracker.

### Activities & Project Updates

- Police Department – Will be meeting with representatives of the Alternative Learning Center to discuss opportunities for partnering and community policing.
- Liquor Store – Training for social media marketing was attended. May have a City Council discussion on revising the Sunday sales hours.
- Library – Window replacement continues. With the large efforts to move book shelves the library is seeking information on re-doing the flooring in the main library and a re-organization of the space.
- Arena – Open skating has started. The ice system project has achieved substantial completion. Work is starting on replacing the ceilings in the hallway from the restrooms to the community room.
- Electric Department – The crew is continuing to work on the River Road project and other items.
- Telecom – Staff will be working with the Arena on re-working their telecom services as part of the ceiling replacement project.

- Building and Zoning – Will be working on some minor code updates and “housekeeping” items.
- EDA – Coordinating multi-family housing workshops to get additional public input and identify areas for future development of multi-family housing.
- Street Department – Staff will be working road maintenance this week (weather dependent) and doing patching on other streets.
- Water – Water line fixes are underway for several areas identified by the leak detection that was completed.
- Wastewater – Action on the Wastewater Treatment Plant project is anticipated on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Discussions are still underway to wrap up the SIU agreements.

#### **CITY COUNCIL – October 16, 2018**

The upcoming City Council meeting will include these highlights:

- 1. Budget Workshop Starting at 5:30 pm**
- 2. Wastewater Treatment Plant Bid Award - \$19 million project.**
- 3. Planning Commission Recommendations**
- 4. Resolution of Support for Assistance to Firefighters Grant Application**
- 5. Discussion on Revising Sunday Sales Hours at Liquor Store (maybe)**

#### **KUDOS**

Last, but not least, I want to thank all of you for all your efforts on behalf of the City. To help recognize City staff that go above and beyond, I am asking that **if you have a co-worker you want to thank or recognize for their work please send me an email** and I will include their name in the News & Notes Kudos.

- Thanks to **Jeff Dahna**, Telecom, for responding in the rain to a citizen call to pick up an item off the boulevard.
- Thank you to **Brian Underwood**, Airport, for all his work in keeping our Airport operational and looking good.

*Thank you to everyone for your hard work and dedication to the City of Windom*