



**MINUTES**  
**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**  
**October 20, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The work session meeting was called to order by City Administrator Post at 5:35 pm.

**Present:** Council: Mayor Randy Gilbert, Brian Carpenter, Sharon Henderson, Liz Olson, and Sam Rettinger (note that Gilbert arrived at 5:39 pm)

**Staff Present:** City Administrator: Terrance Post

**Guests:** Planning Commission Chair Jon Crump and Robert Erickson

**Absence:** Councilmember Carpenter (excused)

**APPROVE AGENDA**

*A motion was made by Carpenter, seconded by Henderson, to approve the Agenda as presented.  
Ayes: all.*

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

**Discussion of Planning Commission Recommendation Concerning Separate Signage District Within the Zoning Ordinance**

Administrator Post introduced the discussion topic by reading a unanimous recommendation made by the Planning Commission at their October 13, 2009 meeting. The recommendation called for the City Council to support the Planning Commission exploration of changes to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to signage that would allow a separate signage district along new Highway 12, would allow multiple signage on properties with multiple frontage, and would allow sign square footage size increases within aesthetic guidelines to ensure acceptable scale and proportion of signs.

Discussion then ensued among Chair Crump and City Council members on the subject. While supporting the future creation of graphic examples to show design standards relative to height and proportion, the Council was generally not supportive of modifying the existing sign ordinance to accommodate the recommendations of the Planning Commission.

**City Administrator Probationary Performance Review**

Mayor Gilbert led discussion on this topic. Mr. Post was appointed City Administrator effective February 21, 2009. It is customary to review six month probationary period performance before approving regular permanent employee status. Mr. Post indicated that he was enjoying the job and wished to continue in the position. Council members indicated that performance was satisfactory to complete the probationary period and change employee employment status. Mr. Post was directed to prepare a Resolution to this effect for consideration at the next City Council meeting. Mayor Gilbert also indicated that a more formal, one year review, would be scheduled for around February 21, 2010.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Councilmember Carpenter indicated his disappointment that the recent MnDOT Wayzata Blvd. mill and overlay project was limited in scope and would not be addressing lakeshore erosion issues. He

asked that Administrator Post contact Hennepin County to alert them to what they would be inheriting upon roadway turnback from MnDOT.

**ADJOURN**

Hearing no objection, Mayor Gilbert adjourned the work session meeting by general consent at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Terrance Post, City Administrator