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**WAYZATA CITY COUNCIL**  
**WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**  
**January 17, 2017**

**5:30 PM Telecom Update**

Mayor Willcox called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm in the Community Room at Wayzata City Hall. Council Members present: Koch, McCarthy, and Plechash. Also present: City Manager Dahl, Director of Public Service Dudinsky, Planning and Development Director Thomson, and City Attorney David Schelzel.

Mr. Dudinsky provided the Council with an updated project schedule regarding the telecommunication tower relocation project. He provided the Council an update on ongoing relocation lease negotiations with the four telecom tenants: AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon. Mr. Dudinsky stated that if the Council desires to have a solid financial picture of the relocation lease revenues and signed leases by all four tenants before ordering the construction of the new telecommunications tower at the Wayzata West Middle School site, the tower constructions schedule may need to be pushed back one year to the summer of 2018.

Consensus of the Council was to encourage Mr. Dudinsky to negotiate with the four different tenants and continue to push towards construction of the cell tower.

**6:00 PM Honors Plaza Discussion**

Mayor Willcox introduced this item at 6:00 pm and allowed Barry Petit and Gen. Bob Shadley to present their plans for an Honors Plaza at the northwest corner of Superior Boulevard and Lake Street. The concept has been led by a group of several community members---Petit, Darrell Leines, Paul Webster, Greg Rye, Steve Langsdale, and Gen. Bob Shadley. This past Fall, the group received 9/11 artifacts from a resident of Wayzata whose son tragically died in the 9/11 attacks. More recently, the group made a presentation to several community members late in 2016 and have since requested to discuss their plans at a Council Work Session.

Mr. Dahl stated that the main objectives of the group are to provide a peaceful oasis for reflection within the community and to pay tribute to public safety officials, both locally and nationally. Staff has relayed the following to the group for their consideration:

- Staff, City Council, and the community as a whole is grateful for this group of community leaders to take on this selfless task;
- The City Council would likely be very supportive of their over-arching objectives;
- The group is following the appropriate process by presenting their concept to the Council; and
- The next step would be to work with the group on developing a more detailed action plan and timeline that would spell out the appropriate community engagement, planning, and approval process.

Mayor Willcox relayed his gratitude to the group but advised that the location and design of such a plaza should be further vetted, aligned with current and planned construction projects, and consistent with long range planning initiatives. In addition, there will need to be more stakeholder engagement with, for example, boards and commissions, adjacent property owners, local businesses, etc.

Mr. Dahl suggested that a committee be appointed to further explore location alternatives for the project.

The workshop meetings were adjourned at 6:55 pm.

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