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**WAYZATA CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2021**

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4:30 p.m. Discussion of Maintenance, Operations, Programming, and Planning of Downtown Wayzata for 2021

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Mayor Mouton called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Pursuant to Minnesota Statute Sec. 13D.015 and because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council Workshop was being held remotely by electronic means using the audio conferencing platform, Zoom. Council Members present: Plechash, Buchanan, Iverson and MacDonald. Also present: City Manager Jeff Dahl, Community Development Director Emily Goellner, Mike Kelly, Public Works Director/City Engineer, and Administrative Services Director, Aurora Yager, and Assistant Planner, Nick Kieser.

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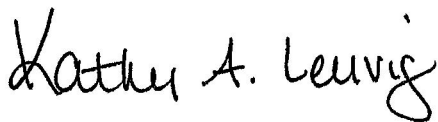
Mr. Dahl mentioned that this item was brought up at March 16 Council Meeting as time sensitive due to the changing of the seasons. Since last year, the downtown area of Wayzata has been transformed due to the completion of Phase I of Panoway AND the societal impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic. These variables make downtown Wayzata a very popular gathering spot for the foreseeable future. Rather than be reactive to how the new space will be utilized, staff is taking a proactive approach, from a variety of perspectives, in order to best manage it through the summer.

Discussion items included focusing on maintenance and operations, safety, events, programming, and community engagement as well as determining the appropriate groups that should be involved in future activities of the downtown area.

The Council was supportive of staff's recommendation to start a Downtown Committee to provide input to staff on events, programming, and operations. The Committee can act as a sounding board for new ideas. The Committee can also help staff prioritize the most pressing issues for the Downtown area since many inquiries and concerns have already been raised.

The workshop meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



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Kathy Leervig
City Clerk