WAYZATA BOARD OF APPEAL AND EQUALIZATION MEETING MINUTES April 20, 2021

AGENDA ITEM 1. Call to Order.

Mayor Mouton reconvened the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization at 6:00 p.m. Pursuant to Minnesota Statute Sec. 13D.015 and because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City Council Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting was being held remotely by electronic means using the audio and video conferencing platform, Zoom. Mayor Mouton shared the multiple options for members of the public to submit comments or questions.

AGENDA ITEM 2. Roll Call.

Members present: Buchanan, Iverson, MacDonald, and Plechash. Also present: City Manager Dahl, Wayzata City Assessor Erickson, Hennepin County Senior Commercial Assessor Devine, Hennepin County Assistant Assessor Gunderson, City Clerk Leervig, and City Attorney Schelzel.

AGENDA ITEM 3. Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Hearing.

Mr. Dahl explained the Local Board of Appeal and Equalization was reconvened due to an outstanding appeal. There were three general actions to consider. The first was the residential appeal brought up at the previous meeting. The second was a property classification change. Last, there were four properties that had submitted inquiries since the last meeting. The Council needed to take no action to preserve their right to appeal to Hennepin County.

Mayor Mouton asked to tackle the reclassification first. Mr. Dahl said the property was 1022 Wayzata Boulevard E. A small parcel of land south of Eurozone, the former gas station on Wayzata Boulevard. The parcel was changed to commercial and the County was proposing to change it back.

Ms. Devine said it was changed to commercial based on the zoning map. However, the zoning map contained an error.

Mayor Mouton asked for a motion on the property. Ms. Iverson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Plechash, to reclassify 1022 Wayzata Boulevard E from Vacant Land Commercial to Vacant Land Residential. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried 5/0.

Mayor Mouton invited the City Assessor to summarize 353 Park Street E. Mr. Erickson said he requested and received photos from the owner, Celia Threlkeld, of the inside of the home. Based on the updated information, he recommended a reduction to \$575,000. The owner agreed to the new valuation.

Ms. Iverson thanked Mr. Erickson for taking his time to look at the photos.

Mayor Mouton commented that it was a substantial decline from the 2020 valuation. She asked if the condition today was substantially less than it was in 2020. She also asked about the purchase price and noted the property received a variance to build a garage.

Mr. Erickson said the property was purchased in July 2011 for \$218,790. He said the only thing done since his first assessment was the garage. The house would likely be taken down if the property sold. This home was modest with small rooms.

Mayor Mouton asked for a motion on the property. Mr. Plechash made a motion, 1 seconded by Ms. Iverson, to reduce the 2021 valuation for 353 Park Street to \$575,000 2 per the assessor's recommendation. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried 5/0. 3 Mayor Mouton said the following appeals were received after the April 6, 2021 4 deadline: 408 Waycliffe N, 645 Waycliffe N, 527 Rice Street E, and 557 Harrington 5 Road. The Council would take no action so the appeals could be heard by the Hennepin 6 County Board of Appeals. 7 Mayor Mouton asked for a motion on the properties. Mr. Buchanan made a 8 motion, seconded by Ms. MacDonald, to approve no change to the 2021 valuations for 9 408 Waycliffe N, 645 Waycliffe N, 527 Rice Street E, and 557 Harrington Road per the 10 assessor's recommendation. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried 5/0. 11 12 AGENDA ITEM 4. Adjournment. 13 There being no further business, Mayor Mouton asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Iverson 14 made a motion, seconded by Mr. Buchanan, to adjourn the Local Board of Appeal and 15 Equalization meeting. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried 5/0. 16 17 The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. 18 19 20 Respectfully submitted, Lathy A. Leuvig 21 22 Kathy Leervig 23 City Clerk 24 25 Drafted by Sarah Peterson 26

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