

Minutes of the Public Hearing Meeting
7:00pm Thursday,
March 25, 2021
Mendota VFW 1323 Sibley Memorial Hwy, Mendota
Minnesota

1. Call to order: Mayor Mielke called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Present: Mayor Mielke, Council members Golias, Perron, Rasmussen and Donnelly. City Attorney, Tom Loonan, City Clerk, Kathy Krotter.

4. Agenda: 7:02pm Mayor Mielke stated that we are here to hold a public hearing to consider interim ordinance, to establish a moratorium prohibiting the granting of subdivision, zoning, rezoning, and PUD approval within the 2040 mixed use land use designation as shown in the 2040 comp plan for a period not to exceed one year from the date it is effective. Mayor Mielke made a motion to open the public hearing, seconded by Council member Perron. Approved 3-0. Tom briefly explained the purpose of the public hearing. Put in a moratorium for any developments in the downtown area, which is any property on Sibley Memorial Hwy. The 2040 Comp plan states the area as a mixed use zone. The city's zoning codes and zoning maps are out of date and we need to update these before we start any new projects in the downtown area. The public asked questions about the 2040 comp plan and where it was at this time. We are waiting for the approval from the Met Council now. But we are supposed to have it back by the end of May. The Comp plan is just a guideline of what the city wants, but the final rule is the city zoning and maps, which are going to be updated this year. So the moratorium would be in effect for one year but it could be cut short. This would not stop any work done inside people's homes. Everything is on hold for any new developments until the zoning codes are up to date. The zoning code procedure should be done by the end of the year. Motion to close public hearing by Mayor Mielke and seconded by Council member Golias approved 5-0 7:14pm

Motion to except Ordinance number 2021-02, Interim Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium Prohibiting the Granting of Subdivision, Zoning, Rezoning and PUD Approvals within the 2040 Mixed Use Land Use Designation as shown in the 2040 comp plan. The moratorium also stops anyone to put in an application hoping to go by the old zoning codes before the new zoning code are done. Motioned by Mayor Mielke and seconded by Council Member Rasmussen. Approved 5-0

5. Adjourn: 7:19 pm Motion to adjourn the meeting by Council member Donnelly. Seconded by Council member Golias. Approved 5-0