

**Minutes
City of Minnetonka
City Council Study Session
Monday, August 21, 2023**

Council Present: Bradley Schaeppi, Brian Kirk, Rebecca Schack, Kissy Coakley, Deb Calvert, Kimberly Wilburn, and Brad Wiersum

Staff: Mike Funk, Moranda Dammann, Corrine Heine, Sarissa Falk, Kelly O’Dea, Julie Wischnack, Scott Boerboom, John Vance, Darin Nelson, Jason Tait, Joel Merry, Will Manchester

1. Call to Order

Mayor Wiersum called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Introduction/ Roll Call

Council, staff and residents introduced themselves.

3. Business Items:

A. 2023 Community Survey

Assistant City Manager Moranda Dammann introduced the topic. Each year the city contracts with a professional survey firm to conduct a statistically valid telephone survey of residents on a variety of topics. Surveying residents is intended to inform strategic planning and budgeting decisions, help set performance targets, and strengthen community engagement.

The City of Minnetonka is evaluated according to how well we are achieving our strategic goals. Measuring ongoing progress ensures that we are responsive to the priorities of the community we serve. Peter Leatherman, from the Morris Leatherman Company, presented a high level of the findings and conclusions from the 2023 community survey. Leatherman answered specific councilmember questions.

B. Preliminary 2024 Budget Review

City Manager Mike Funk introduced the topic, and along with Finance Director Darin Nelson, proposed to the city council a 2024 levy and budget consistent with the city’s strategic goals and community values. Budget recommendations presented are forward-looking and responsive to the community and the city council’s concerns, specifically to ensure that city services are maintained. Recommendations are built using long-term forecasts, including a conservative eye on the national economy.

City council asked questions, and discussed with staff specific items regarding a base levy increase, and an additional levy increase for the implementation of the first phase of the public safety master plan.

C. September Study Session – topics and date

Funk noted the upcoming study session agenda items and study session schedule.

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4. Adjournment

Wiersum adjourned the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Becky Koosman". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Becky Koosman
City Clerk