

**ANDOVER CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING – MARCH 7, 2017
MINUTES**

The Workshop Meeting of the Andover City Council was called to order by Mayor Julie Trude, March 7, 2017, 8:03 p.m., at the Andover City Hall, 1685 Crosstown Boulevard NW, Andover, Minnesota.

Councilmembers present: Mike Knight, Sheri Bukkila, Valerie Holthus and James Goodrich
Councilmember absent: None
Also present: City Administrator, Jim Dickinson
Others

DISCUSS/REVIEW COMMUNITY SURVEY

Mr. Dickinson reviewed the staff report with the Council.

The draft Community Survey was reviewed.

Discussion ensued around the following items:

- Numbers 56 & 57 – regarding invasive plants, such as thistle and buckthorn and if the two questions were overlapping, there was also question about adding the terms “dandelions,” “weeds,” and/or “residential”
- Councilmember Knight asked what happens when people do not answer their phones
- Councilmember Holthus asked for clarification as to what shows on the caller id when surveyors call
- Councilmember Bukkila asked about the ability of the City to control wildlife
- There was some consensus around removing question 48
- Councilmember Bukkila spoke to question 50 and the quality of the lawn
- There was discussion regarding duplication in questions 72 – 75, 79, and 92
- Mr. Dickinson suggested adding football and lacrosse to question 91
- Councilmember Bukkila suggested using the breakdown in question 73 and applying it to question 92 and removing the reference to parks
- Councilmember Knight suggested adding reference to facilities for children in that same breakdown
- Mayor Trude suggested removing questions 40, 44 and 45
- Councilmember Knight suggested removing question 41
- Councilmember Bukkila suggested incorporating 97 into 98

In summary, the Council concluded the final survey would:

- Omit 40 and 41

- Omit 44 and 45
- Omit 48 and adjust 56 and 57
- Omit 73, 74, and 75
- Question 91 – add the terms children, football and lacrosse
- Question 92 – remove parks and state additional recreational facilities
- Question 93 – shorten to state what improvement would you most support
- Question 97 - modify to be a precursor to question 98
- Question 105 – Edit to state: How do you access the internet at home? Answer: cable, satellite, or phone

Mr. Dickinson will update the survey and send out for review one more time. His plan is to send it back to Council members next week with a deadline for review and response.

Mr. Dickinson will ask what will show up on caller id and if surveyors will leave a voice mail so residents can call again and the City will receive good representation on the survey, with all precincts equally represented.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bukkila, Seconded by Holthus, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene White, Recording Secretary