

**January 28, 2019
Special Meeting**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Halstad was duly called and held at the Halstad Telephone Company Meeting Room in said City on January 28, 2019 at 5:15pm.

Mayor Lori DeLong called the regular meeting to order at 5:15pm

The following council members were present: Veronica Dye, Brandon Mickelson, Jeremy Melting, and Darin Johnson

The following council members were absent: None

Others in attendance: Jon Pauna, Moore Engineering, and Jason Murray, David Drowns Associates (via phone)

The council reviewed assessment parcel map information presented by Jon Pauna of Moore Engineering. A preliminary assessment estimate per parcel was also provided for review. Jon will send out the letter notifying parcel owners of the upcoming public hearing scheduled for February 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Jason Murray of David Drowns Associates provided bonding, tax abatement, and assessment cost information detailed by each of the projects and at various assessment levels. Motion by Brandon Mickelson to approve city street project assessment to parcel owners at 40% (forty percent) of project cost. Second by Darin Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Veronica Dye and second by Jeremy Melting to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2019-01-28

**RESOLUTION SETTING DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
ON THE APPROVAL OF A TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION
FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE**

WHEREAS:

1. The City of Halstad has determined it necessary and feasible to construct public improvements on Highway 75 and to help with costs associated with the Safe Routes to School project within its corporate limits; and
2. The City Council intends to abate its share of property taxes on adjacent parcels benefiting from the project to finance the costs constructing said improvements, under the authority of Minnesota Statutes 469.1812 to 469.1815 (the "Abatement Law"); and
3. Prior to approving an abatement resolution and the use of tax abatement the City must hold a public hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council as follows:

1. Public Hearing. The City Council shall hold a public hearing on the use of tax abatement and the issuance of general obligation tax abatement bonds to finance the costs of constructing improvements on Highway 75 and to help with costs associated with the Safe Routes to School project at 5:15 p.m. on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Halstad Community Center. Staff is directed to publish notice of this hearing as required by Abatement Law.

Upon a roll call vote, the following voted aye: Lori DeLong, Darin Johnson, Veronica Dye, Brandon Mickelson, and Jeremy Melting. The following voted nay: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Veronica Dye to adjourn at 6:51pm with second by Darin Johnson. Motion carried. The next regular meeting of the City Council will be Monday, February 11 2019 at 5:15 pm.

Veronica L. Dye, Clerk/Treasurer