City Council Workshop Meeting
February 26, 2020
Cherry Conference Room

Following City Council Meeting
Approximately 8:25 p.m.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

8:30 p.m.  1. Proposed Xcel Substation

8:50 p.m.  2. Administrator Comments and Updates¹

8:55 p.m.  3. Mayor and City Council Comments and Commission Liaison Updates¹

9:00 p.m.  4. Adjournment

¹ Items under comments and updates are intended to be informational or of brief inquiry. More substantial discussion of matters under comments and updates should be scheduled for a future agenda.
City of Woodbury, Minnesota
Office of the City Administrator

Council Workshop Letter 20-58

February 26, 2020

To: The Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Clinton P. Gridley, City Administrator

Subject: Proposed Xcel Substation

Summary

In advance of future Planning Commission and City Council review, Xcel Energy will present information regarding the proposed Xcel substation including community need, location selection, infrastructure, and screening. The substation is proposed to be located on the east side of Cottage Grove Drive, south of the Washington County Environmental Center.

Recommendation

This item is for update, discussion and feedback purposes only, and there is no particular action required.

Fiscal Implications

There are no fiscal implications.

Policy

Chapter 24, Zoning

Public Process

Neighborhood meeting December 12, 2019
Planning Commission Workshop February 18, 2020

Background

In order to accommodate community growth, Xcel Energy needs to locate a substation in southeast Woodbury to:

- “Off-ramp” for power to flow from high-voltage grid to local distribution system;
- Facilitate community growth;
- Relieve overloaded distribution lines in eastern Woodbury; and
- Increase reliability and reduce outage durations.
Xcel Energy will present more detailed information about the site search and renderings of the proposed substation.

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