The Hiawatha City Council met in a work session in Conference Room D on the upper level of City Hall on November 5, 2018. Mayor Bill Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Council members present: Dick Olson, Dennis Norton, Rob Archibald and Steve Dodson. Aime Wichtendahl was absent. Staff present: City Administrator Kim Downs, City Engineer John Bender, and Finance Director Cindy Kudrna. Guests: None.

Norton moved the approval of the agenda, seconded by Dodson. Motion carried.

Review and discussion of the first draft of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) FY 2019-FY 2024
City Staff and City Council reviewed and held discussion on the first draft of the CIP FY 2019-2024.

The strategic plan's significant new programs include:

- Hotel/motel study for Village Center and/or Tower Terrace/I-380 area
- Review citizen survey efforts and timeliness
- Conduct affordable housing study
- Civil Rights Initiative as it relates to housing discrimination (Integrate with affordable housing study)
- Initiatives to protect the environment, promote energy efficiency, and develop green spaces, etc.
- Continue to lower property tax levy without compromising city services
- Conduct study regarding Rec Center/Civic Center

Other new projects:

- Oakbrook Infrastructure-Phase 1, 2A and 2B Design and install infrastructure. This project is necessary and demonstrates our commitment to the Village Center concept and its future development; total estimated cost $650,000. It would be our intention to utilize the proceeds from the sale of land.
- Tower Terrace Interchange and I-380 to N Center Point Road is not a new project but a project item we need to add back into our CIP due to IDOT no longer being the lead on our portion of the Tower Terrace Road Interchange and expansion project.
- Emmons Street/NCPR SW Plaza-is a project that would be an enhancement to the village center concept providing an amphitheater concept for entertainment and activities. This is a concept Shive Hattery put together with the reconstruction of Emmons Street/Robins Road/N Center Point Road. Keith Billick of Side by Side is very familiar with this concept because he was the landscape architect for the project. You will see this project being developed and constructed over a three-year period. This project or a similar project would coincide with the projected timeline of the village center project.
- Todd Hills Road asphalt extending roadway for the new housing development on the newer annexed Novak property.
- A trail bridge over I-380 at Emmons Street. Now that we know the IDOT will not be rebuilding the Emmons Street bridge to adjust for their lane-widening project, we will want to extend the bridge adding a complete trail. Estimated cost-$250,000.
- The FY 2020-Kainz Drive Storm Water Repairs project has been moved up one year due to the continued development of Dave Wright Nissan and Subaru parking lot expansion and the joint parking lot for the dog park.
- In FY 2020, the NW Park project has been set aside until completion of the Park Master Plan and design of this area.

Comments from council members:

- Explore options to combine the fire training facility and fleet storage facility into one project. Need conceptual drawings and detail on both facilities to get a better understanding of project.
- Increase priority of the 18th Avenue project due to safety concerns crossing on to Blairs Ferry Road.
- Make sure fire vehicles and equipment match the needs of the Hiawatha community.
- Fire Department Master Plan status and follow up from original.

City Council directed staff to cancel the next CIP work session scheduled for November 19 and move forward with setting a public hearing date on the proposed CIP at the November 21 regular City Council meeting.

There being no further discussion, Norton moved to adjourn at 6:30 P.M., second by Archibald. Motion carried.

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Bill Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kari Graber, Deputy Clerk