MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER MOUNTAIN IRON ROOM MONDAY, JULY 2, 2012 - 6:30 P.M. A G E N D A

I.	Roll Call					
II.	Consent Agenda A. Minutes of the June 18, 2012, Regular Meeting (#1-8) B. Receipts C. Bills and Payroll D. Communication (#22)					
III.	Public Forum					
IV.	Committee and Staff Reports A. Mayor's Report B. City Administrator's Report C. Interim Public Works Director's Report D. Library Director's Report E. Sheriff's Department Report F. City Engineer's Report 1. Pay Request Number 2 Street Improvement Project (#9-11) G. Parks and Recreation Board 1. Locomotive Park (#12-14) H. Liaison Reports					
V.	Unfinished Business					
VI.	New Business A. Resolution Number 16-12 Opposing The Proposed Marriage Amendment (#15-18 B. Old Time Fiddle Championship (#19-20) C. Request to Serve Alcohol at Community Center (#21)					
VII.	Communications (#22)					
VIII.	Announcements					

IX.

Adjourn

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MINUTES MOUNTAIN IRON CITY COUNCIL JUNE 18, 2012

Mayor Skalko called the City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Prebeg, Jr., Susan Tuomela, Ed Roskoski, Tony Zupancich, and Mayor Gary Skalko. Also present were: Craig J. Wainio, City Administrator; Jill M. Anderson, Municipal Services Secretary; Rod Flannigan, City Engineer; Michael Downs, Interim Public Works Director; John Backman, Sergeant; and Brian Lindsay, City Attorney.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Tuomela that the consent agenda be approved as follows:

- 1. Approve the minutes of the June 4, 2012, regular meeting as submitted.
- 2. That the communications be accepted and placed on file and those requiring further action by the City Council be acted upon during their proper sequence on the agenda.
- 3. To acknowledge the receipts for the period June 1-15, 2012, totaling \$176,046.69, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).
- 4. To authorize the payments of the bills and payroll for the period June 1-15, 2012, totaling \$359,296.35, (a list is attached and made a part of these minutes).

The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Prebeg, yes; Zupancich, yes; Tuomela; Roskoski, no; and Skalko, yes.

During the public forum, Sheila Wilcox, was present and updated the Council regarding the Old Time Fiddle Championship and requested funding for the celebration that would be held in Mountain Iron for the first time on August 4, 2012. She said that the event was awarded grant funding from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. The Mayor advised her that the Council would act on her request at the next regular Council meeting.

The Mayor reported on the following:

- > IRRRB. He informed the Council that the City received an additional grant for \$80,000 to put solar panels on the Silicon Energy Facility.
- Acknowledgements. Councilor Roskoski congratulated the following Mountain Iron race car drivers who are participating in the 2012 Hibbing Raceway season: Brad Hanson, #90, Modified Class; Bob Kintner, #24, Super Stock Class; Jeff Forseen, #7, Midwest

Modified Class; Nick DaRonco, #8, Midwest Modified Class; and Rusty Rask, #09, Midwest Modified Class. He wished good luck to all the drivers and thanked all of their sponsors.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela that the City of Mountain Iron does not waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by Minnesota Statutes 466.04. The motion carried.

The City Administrator reported on the following:

➤ Wastewater Treatment. He informed the Council that the City of Gilbert was having some issues at their Wastewater Treatment Plant regarding the land application for their biosolids. So, he said the Tri-Cities Biosolid truck was hauling it to Mountain Iron to lime stabilize it, and then haul it away. He said that City Staff was keeping track of any additional expenses that have occurred during this process.

It was moved by Roskoski and seconded by Prebeg to accept the recommendation of City Staff and hire Jayce Primeau and Zachary Kalish to work as Umpires for the 2012 season. The motion carried.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of City Staff and purchase the following transformers from Resco:

RESCO #2	4 New 300 KVA	\$43,568.00
(ERMCO)	1 New 500 KVA	10,938.00
	1 New 75 KVA	2,486.00
	12 New 25 KVA	17,700.00
	TOTAL	\$74,692.00

The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Zupancich, yes; Tuomela, yes; Roskoski, no; Prebeg, yes; and Skalko, yes.

During the Sergeant's report, Councilor Roskoski had questions from the June 4, 2012, meeting as far as the reports that were submitted, he requested the Sergeant to report where the assists to other agencies were located, that the Mountain Iron Sheriff's responded to, outside of Mountain Iron. The Sergeant stated that Councilor Roskoski should contact him prior to the meeting to answer these types of questions; he said that all calls were inside Saint Louis County. The Mayor directed Councilor Roskoski to contact the Sheriff directly and that this was all part of the mutual aid agreements.

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It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Zupancich to accept the recommendation of the City Engineer and authorize payment request number one to C & C Winger for the Step and Sidewalk Replacement Project in the amount of \$14,763.64. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Tuomela, yes; Roskoski, no; Prebeg, yes; Zupancich, yes; and Skalko, yes.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission and approve the Conditional Use Permit of Roger Johnston, 8350 Jasmine Street, to construct a 1,024 square foot accessory building on parcel coe 175-0069-00010. The motion carried.

The following report was given during the liaison reports:

➤ Library Board. Councilor Tuomela informed the Council and the public that the artists working on the mural for the library are currently looking for pictures of the Giorgi's Store in Kinross and other places of interest in Parkville and West Virginia. She said that the display work for one or two of the panels will be available for viewing at the August Merritt Days Celebration and the project is slated to be completed in October, 2012. Councilor Roskoski requested that City Staff put a notice on the Public Access channel requesting pictures.

It was moved by Zupancich and seconded by Tuomela to adopt Resolution Number 15-12, Business Development Capital Projects Grant Program, (a copy is attached and made a part of these minutes). The motion carried with Roskoski voting no.

It was moved by Prebeg and seconded by Tuomela to award the bid for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Roof, Door, and Window Replacement Project to Lenci Enterprises Incorporated in the amount of \$57,000.00 with funds expended from the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operation Fund. The motion carried with Roskoski voting no.

It was moved by Skalko and seconded by Tuomela to authorize a donation of \$770 to the Mountain Iron American Legion Post 220 to purchase a new public address sound system with the funds being expended from the Charitable Gambling Fund; and also that this system be used at the annual Greenwood and Calvary Cemetery Memorial Day Celebration. The motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor thanked Jon Perpich of Perpich TV for the reduced price on the system for the American Legion.

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At 7:14 p.m., it was moved by Skalko and seconded by Zupancich that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Submitted by:

Jill M. Anderson, MMC Municipal Services Secretary

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COMMUNICATIONS

1. League of Minnesota Cities, forwarding information regarding the 2013 dues.

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON

Receipt Register By Date
Receipt Date(s): 06/01/2012 - 06/15/2012

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Summary By Category And Distribution

Category	Distribution	Amount
UTILITY	UTILITY	109,220.50
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	REFUSE REMOVAL-CHG FOR SERVICE	310.00
CHARGE FOR SERVICES	SEWER-CHARGE FOR SERVICES	112.38
MISCELLANEOUS	BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD PAYABLE	93.38
CAMPGROUND RECEIPTS	FEES	3,820.00
MISCELLANEOUS	BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FEES	120.00
PERMITS	BUILDING	44.00
METER DEPOSITS	ELECTRIC	1,200.00
BUILDING RENTALS	BUILDING RENTAL DEPOSITS	300.00
BUILDING RENTALS	NICHOLS HALL	125.00
CD INTEREST	NO. SEC-CASHED CD-FUND 604	54,000.00
BUILDING RENTALS	COMMUNITY CENTER	1,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	FILING FEES	4.00
MISCELLANEOUS	REFUSE-SALE OF SCRAP METAL	1,345.80
LICENSES	ANIMAL	10.00
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 101	203.97
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 602	89.24
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 603	446.18
CD INTEREST	CD INTEREST 604	535.41
MISCELLANEOUS	ASSESSMENT SEARCHES	60.00
MISCELLANEOUS	MISC. INCOME-ELECTRIC ACCT	2,236.17
FINES	CRIMINAL	770.66
Summary Totals:		176,046.69

Check Issue Date(s): 06/14/2012 - 06/21/2012

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06/12	06/19/2012	142468	130017	AMERICAN BANK	101-20200	1,600.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142469	10069	AMERICAN LEGION POST #220	230-20200	770.00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142474	20022	BENCHMARK ENGINEERING INC	301-20200	29,279.70	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142477	170001	CENTURY LINK	603-20200	474.28	
06/12	06/19/2012	142478	30072	COMPUTER WORLD	101-20200	74.94	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142481	40015	DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE	101-20200	273.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142482	50040	ENERGY MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS	604-20200	603.85	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142484	70016	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL INC	604-20200	64.00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142486	80010	HOMETOWN ELECTRIC	602-20200	135.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142487	80037	HOMETOWN FOCUS	601-20200	722.96	
06/12	06/19/2012	142488	6040	JANNICE SERRANO	604-20200	314.66	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142493	100012	JUNIOR LIBRARY GUILD	101-20200	171.00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142495	120006	L & M SUPPLY	101-20200	3,782.16	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142500	230041	MARK MCCARTY	101-20200	500.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142501	6035	MARY ANN MCKIBBON	101-20200	100.00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142503	130109	METRO FIRE	101-20200	9,782.30	
06/12	06/19/2012	142504	130040	MIDWEST SPORTSWEAR	101-20200	2,919.29	
06/12	06/19/2012	142505		MIKE OR SHAWNA LOPAC	101-20200	200.00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142508		MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AG	301-20200	312.50	
06/12	06/19/2012	142509		MINNESOTA POWER (ALLETE INC)	604-20200	59,705.07	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142514		NICOLE PELLETIER	604-20200	128.82	
06/12	06/19/2012	142515		NORTHERN VISUAL SERVICES	101-20200	90,00	
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06/12	06/19/2012	142517		PARADE FLOAT	101-20200	75.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142518		PARADE FLOAT	101-20200	50.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142519		PARADE FLOATS	101-20200	100.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142520		PEDAL TO THE METAL/B. SMELTZER	101-20200	555.00	
06/12	06/19/2012	142521	160038	PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL	101-20200	363.20	

Check Issue Date(s): 06/14/2012 - 06/21/2012

Per	Date	Check No	Vendor No	Payee	Check GL Acct	Amount
06/12	06/19/2012	142522	180017	RELIABLE OFFICE SUPPLIES	101-20200	143.69
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06/12	06/19/2012	142525	190072	SAINT LOUIS COUNTY AUDITOR	101-20200	350.00
06/12	06/19/2012	142526	190045	SERVICE SOLUTIONS	101-20200	24.58
06/12	06/19/2012	142527	190024	ST LOUIS CO SHERIFF LITMAN	101-20200	40,833.00
06/12	06/19/2012	142528	6029	STEVE ANDERSON	101-20200	80.00
06/12	06/19/2012	142529	190061	SULLIVAN CANDY & SUPPLY	101-20200	237.79
06/12	06/19/2012	142530	6038	SUZANNE WANG	604-20200	200.90
06/12	06/19/2012	142531	200042	TERRY KNUTI/DJ SERVICES	101-20200	300.00
06/12	06/19/2012	142532	200020	THE TRENTI LAW FIRM 101-20200		2,914.25
06/12	06/19/2012	142533	210004	UPSTART INC 101-20200		650.50
06/12	06/19/2012	142534	220004	VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC 604-20200 41		41,332.43
06/12	06/19/2012	142535	220020	VISA OR AMERICAN BANK CC PMT	604-20200	4,720.59
06/12	06/19/2012	142536	230006	WEVE/WTEL	101-20200	60.00
06/12	06/19/2012	142537	60038	WRIGHT EXPRESS FINAN SERV CORP	101-20200	6,320.90
7	otals					276,200.69
				Payroll-PP Ending 6/8/12	63	,379.86
				Electronic TransSales Ta	x 6/20/12 6	,455.35
				Electronic TransSales Ta	•	
				TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$359	,296.35



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 15-12

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CAPITAL PROJECTS GRANT PROGRAM

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA that the City of Mountain Iron acts as the legal sponsor for the project contained in the Business Development Capital Projects Grant Program Application to be submitted on June 22, 2012 and that the Mayor and the City Administrator are hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funding of this project on behalf of the City of Mountain Iron.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Mountain Iron has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of the proposed project for its useful life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Mountain Iron has not violated any federal, state, or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of its application by the State, City of Mountain Iron, may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project, and the City of Mountain Iron certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in all contract agreements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all non-state funding is committed and available and meets or exceeds the requirement that the non-state match equal or exceed the state funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Mountain Iron certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and rules of General Obligation bond funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the City Administrator, or their successors in office, are hereby authorized to execute such agreements, and amendments thereto, as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 18th DAY OF JUNE, 2012.

TEST:

City Administrated

Mayor Gary Skalko



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June 27, 2012

Mr. Craig Wainio, City Administrator City of Mountain Iron 8586 Enterprise Drive South Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Re:

City of Mountain Iron, MN

2011 Street Improvements Project

Project No. MI11-06

Dear Mr. Wainio:

Enclosed please find Pay Request No. 2 for the 2011 Street Improvements project in the amount of **\$84,561.25** for approval at your next scheduled City Council meeting. This payment is for the work completed to date. Please refer to the enclosed pay request breakdown for a summary of items completed.

If you have any questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Benchmark Engineering, Inc.

J. Johnson, P.E.

Enclosures

pc: Mr. Matt Jamnick, Mesabi Bituminous, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION OF PAYMENT

Owner's Project No.:		Engineer's Project No.: <u>I</u>	MI11-06			
Project: 2011 STREET IMPE	Project: 2011 STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT					
CONTRACTOR: Mesabi Bitu	uminous, Inc., P.O. Box 729	8, Gilbert, MN 55741				
For Period Ending: June 27	7, 2012					
	To: City c	of Mountain Iron Owner				
Attached hereto is the COI through the date indicated payment or work complete	l above. The application r	or Payment for Work accomplished und meets the requirements of the Contract pplication.	der the Contract t Documents for the			
In accordance with the Contract the undersigned recommends payment to the CONTRACTOR of the amount due as shown below.						
		BENCHMARK	ENGINEERING, INC.			
Dated: <u>June 27, 2012</u>		By alf.				
	STATEN	IENT OF WORK				
Original Contract Price	\$ <u>123,968.00</u>	Work & Materials to Date	\$ 103,492.84			
Net Change Orders	\$ 0.00	Amount Retained	\$5,174.64			
Current Contract Price	\$ 123,968.00	Subtotal	\$ 98,318.20			
		Previous Payments	\$ 13,756.95			
		Amount Due this Payment	\$ <u>84,561.25</u>			



2011 STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA PROJECT NO.: M111-06 PAY REQUEST NO. 2

BID TOTAL \$123,968.00

Ola 9. Johnson

BENCHMARK ENGINEERING, INC.

TOTAL PAY REQUEST #2: \$84,561.25

LESS RETAINAGE: (\$5,174.64) SUBTOTAL PAY REQUEST #2: \$98,318.20 LESS PREVIOUS PAYMENTS: \$13,756.9S

COMPLETED TO DATE: \$103,492.84

COUNCIL LETTER 070212-IVG1

PARKS AND RECREATION

LOCOMOTIVE PARK

DATE:

June 28, 2012

FROM:

Parks and Recreation Board

Craig J. Wainio City Administrator

Enclosed, please find a plan adopted by the Parks and Recreation Board for Phase II of the Locomotive Park upgrades as well as an engineer's estimate. Staff is requesting authorization to advertise for bids to perform the work outlined in the plan exclusive of the Plaques. Secondly, the possible painting and fencing of the shovel is not included and with the project as it is pending approval from the Parks and Recreation Board. In order to get the project completed during this construction season staff is recommending moving forward with this portion of the plan.



ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE OF QUANTITIES AND OPINION OF PROBABLE COST

Locomotive Park - Phase II

CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA

PROJECT NO: MI12-08

		UNITS		Locomotive Park- Phase II	
Item. No.	ITEM		UNIT COST	TOTAL EST. QUANTS	AMOUNT
2104.503	REMOVE PAVEMENT	SQ. FT.	\$5.00	500.0	\$2,500.00
2104.513	SAW BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT	LIN. FT.	\$5.00	50.0	\$250.00
2105.501	COMMON EXCAVATION (PV)	CU. YD.	\$15.00	75.0	\$1,125.00
2105.604	GEOTEXTILE FABRIC TYPE V	SQ. YD.	\$2.00	305.0	\$610.00
2105.607	TOPSOIL BORROW (CV)	CU. YD.	\$25.00	40.0	\$1,000.00
2211.503	AGGREGATE BASE (CV) CLASS V	CU. YD.	\$20.00	55.0	\$1,100.00
2521.501	4" CONCRETE WALK	SQ. FT.	\$4.50	2,750.0	\$12,375.0
2433.509	REMOVE CONCRETE SUBSTRUCTURES	LUMP SUM	\$5,500.00	1.0	\$5,500.0
2540.602	FURNISH AND INSTALL BENCHES	EACH	\$2.00	1,000.0	\$2,000.0
2571,603	MISC. PLANTING	LUMP SUM	\$5,000.00	1.0	\$5,000.0
2573.502	SILT FENCE-PREASSEMBLED	LIN. FT.	\$3.50	100.0	\$350.0
2575.505	SODDING LAWN TYPE	SQ. YD.	\$4.50	430.0	\$1,935.0

ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST:

\$33,745.00

CONTINGENCY (10%):

\$3,374.50

ENGINEERING - DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION:

\$6,411.55

APPROXIMATE BUDGETARY COST:

\$43,531.05

BENCHMARK ENGINEERING, INC.

COUNCIL LETTER 070212-VIA COUNCILOR ZUPANCICH

RESOLUTION NUMBER 16-12

DATE:

June 28, 2012

FROM:

Councilor Zupancich

Craig J. Wainio City Administrator

Council Zupancich requested this item be placed on the Agenda. Background information is enclosed.



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RESOLUTION NUMBER 16-12

EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED MARRIAGE AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, in 2011 the Minnesota State Legislature voted to include the following question on the election ballot in November 2012: "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota?;" and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would add a new Section 13 to the Minnesota Constitution stating: "Only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota;" and

WHEREAS, constitutions historically have been designed and interpreted to protect minorities from the arbitrary imposition of unjust barriers by the majority; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would be contrary to the purpose of our State Constitution to protect the rights, privileges and freedom of conscience of all citizens by withholding from some individuals and families important legal rights and obligations; and

WHEREAS, a broad coalition of organizations, community and business leaders, faith, labor, progressive and nonpartisan organizations, communities of color; and current and former elected officials have all joined to defeat this amendment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN IRON, MINNESOTA, that the Mountain Iron City Council joins the broad coalition of individuals and organizations stated above in opposing the proposed constitutional amendment entitled, "Recognition of Marriage Solely Between One Man and One Woman," and urges Mountain Iron and Minnesota citizens to vote "NO" on Tuesday, November 6, 2012.

DULY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THIS 2nd DAY OF JULY, 2012.

ATTEST:	Mayor Gary Skalko
City Administrator	



Minnesotan's United for All Families 409 E Howard St Hibbing, MN 55746

In May 2011, the Minnesota State Legislature voted to put a constitutional amendment on the 2012 ballot in Minnesota that will read: "Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as marriage in Minnesota?"

Minnesotans United for All Families is a broad coalition of organizations and community and business leaders having conversations with Minnesotans about why this amendment – which seeks to limit the freedom to marry for committed couples in Minnesota – must be defeated. Faith, labor, progressive, and nonpartisan organizations, communities of color, current and former elected officials, Republicans, Democrats, Greens, Independents, and Libertarians have all joined with our campaign to defeat this constitutional amendment and encourage Minnesotans to vote NO in November.

We are a coalition founded on a strong belief in the power of marriage. We believe **marriage and family are about love and commitment**, working together, bettering the community, raising children, and growing old together. We believe in a Minnesota that values and supports strong families and creates a welcoming environment for all Minnesota families to thrive. And we believe that **marriage matters. To all.**

June 25, 2012

Mountain Iron City Council City Hall Mountain Iron, Minnesota 55768

Dear Council Members:

I'm writing to you as a former resident of Mountain Iron (born, raised, and graduated from high school) and as someone who is a member of the Council of Representatives of the American Psychological Association and the Governing Council of the Minnesota Psychological Association.

I understand that the City Council will consider a motion on July 2, 2012 to oppose the constitutional amendment which would limit the definition of marriage to being between one man and one woman.

Both the American Psychological Association (APA) and the Minnesota Psychological Association (MPA) have taken an interest in the issue of marriage equality based on a substantial body of sound scientific research. The American Psychological Association has taken a stance against legislative initiatives that discriminate against gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people because of the psychological harm that such initiatives create. It has also supported civil marriage equality for all citizens since 2004.

The Minnesota Psychological Association has reviewed the work done by task forces of the American Psychological Association and passed a resolution in July 2011 that opposes the constitutional marriage amendment that will appear on the ballot in Minnesota in November 2012. Earlier this year the Minnesota Psychological Association also passed a resolution to support civil marriage equality for all citizens.

I invite you to visit the Minnesota Psychological Association website (mnpsych.org) and click the link to documents and videos. The document on marriage equality is the position statement that MPA has adopted in regard to the constitutional amendment. There is also a link to a video on the psychological research on marriage equality which addresses many of the questions that people have about the nature of relationships between same-sex couples, their ability to parent, and the harm created by antigay initiatives.

I'm sorry that I won't be able to attend your meeting on July 2nd. If I were able to attend I would urge you to vote to oppose the Minnesota Marriage Amendment. Feel free to call me if you have questions: 651-645-5588.

Sincerely,

Margaret C. Charmoli, Ph.D. Chair, Marriage Equality Task Force, Minnesota Psychological Association

COUNCIL LETTER 070212-VIB

CITY COUNCIL

OLD TIME FIDDLE

DATE:

June 28, 2012

FROM:

Mayor and City Council

Craig J. Wainio City Administrator

This item is being placed on the Agenda per request at the previous City Council meeting.

MINNESOTA STATE

Old Time Fiddle Championship

AUGUST 4, 2012
Merritt Elementary School
Mountain Iron, MN

Six contest divisions with cash prizes totaling \$2,525.

Trophies awarded. All States and Canada are eligible to compete.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 2012

12 Noon - Registration 1 P.M. - Fiddle Contest Eliminations - Admission \$7.00 - ALL AGES 6:30 P.M. - Fiddle Contest Finals - Admission \$7.00 - ALL AGES

Mountain Iron has Perkins and Dairy Queen Restaurants, Short Stop Convenience Store, and a Holiday Inn Express Motel within a few blocks.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Minnesota State Old Time Fiddle Championship P.O. Box 600, Virginia, MN 55792 Phone 218/290-9877 and email swilcox@vmps.org.

This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Arrowhead Regional Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.





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June 14, 2012

Mountain Iron City Council 8586 Enterprise Drive S Mountain Iron, MN 55768

Dear Mountain Iron City Council,

Our establishment, Sundberg Enterprises LLC, dba Sawmill Saloon and Restaurant, respectfully request permission to cater alcohol for a wedding on Saturday, August 25, 2012 at the Mountain Iron Community Center. We will be using our Onsale Liquor License and MN Catering License.

Please review our request and provide us with your final decision.

Thank you,

Melissa Taitt

Business Manager

520 Lafayette Road North | St. Paul, MN 55155-4194 | 651-296-6300 | 800-657-3864 | 651-282-5332 TTY | www.pca.state.mn.us

June 15, 2012

Mayor Gary Skalko City of Mountain Iron 8586 Enterprise Drive S. Mountain Iron, MN 55768



Dear Mayor Skalko and City Council Members:

Congratulations, and welcome! On behalf of the MPCA and the six other GreenStep Cities program partners I want to extend our appreciation to you for becoming **the 44th GreenStep** City. We have designed the GreenStep program to make it easy to both report your past actions taken to become a more sustainable city, and to find knowledgeable assistance for taking future actions. As more cities join, telling their stories and calling on assistance, we think the program will become stronger and more useful to cities. Thank you for being a part of this effort!

Each June at its annual conference, the League of Minnesota Cities formally recognizes GreenStep Cities and their level of achievement. **Mountain Iron is now a Step One GreenStep City** by virtue of having adopted a resolution to join the program. I understand no one from the city can attend the LMC meeting this year, so we will send someone over to Mt. Iron to present you with the GreenStep recognition block. Additional steps recognize city accomplishments—best practice actions completed prior to joining the GreenStep program and actions you would complete before each year's LMC conference.

GreenStep art work is available on the GreenStep administrative web site, along with a sample press release and a sample newsletter article for sharing news with community members about joining the GreenStep Cities program. Links to the GreenStep Facebook and Twitter accounts are on the public GreenStep web site, along with a link to free help in tracking, analyzing and reducing energy use in your public buildings and 40 hours of free consultant time from a sustainability specialist. We encourage you and your staff to use the many resources available, and if you don't find what you need, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely

Philipp Muessig

GreenStep Cities Coordinator, MPCA

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cc; Craig Wainio











