The meeting convened at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Jake Spano, Tim Brausen, Rachel Harris, Larry Kraft, Anne Mavity, Nadia Mohamed, and Margaret Rog.

Councilmembers absent: none.

Staff present: City Manager (Mr. Harmening), Engineering Director (Ms. Heiser), Director of Community Development (Ms. Barton), Senior Management Analyst (Ms. Solano), and Recording Secretary (Ms. Pappas).


1. **2020 legislative priorities – meeting with elected and appointed representatives**

Mayor Spano noted the top strategic priorities for St. Louis Park and presented a draft list of legislative issues and priorities for the city to the elected and appointed representatives. He stated the top priorities are: affordable housing, climate action, multimodal transportation, and in the general category, noted funding the Pathways to Policing program, and support of a statewide system to track race data for police traffic stops, as being priorities.

Councilmember Brausen added marijuana legislation should have consideration for a portion of tax revenues from sales to come back to the city.

Councilmember Harris noted capital investments bonding requests which provide service to young children as another priority, as well as partnerships and funding on road maintenance projects.

Councilmember Mavity thanked the legislators, noting she continues to be impressed with the city’s delegation and their depth of expertise, which aligns well with St. Louis Park. She stated affordable housing and climate change are the two main areas of priority in St. Louis Park.

Councilmember Kraft stated climate action is his main priority and asked the legislators what might be helpful to keep this issue moving forward. Rep. Youakim stated continuing to relate stories and showing collaboration on the part of the city with others will help to keep pressure on the issue and create momentum.

Councilmember Mohamed stated while she is very impressed with the priorities noted, racial equity is her main concern. She would like representatives to know this priority is embedded in all the city does, and she would like them to be cognizant of it as well, in all they do in their work.
Councilmember Rog stated climate action on a statewide basis, along with affordable housing are priorities, as well as livable wage concerns.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Melissa Kennedy, city clerk                           Jake Spano, mayor