CITY OF TONKA BAY
ITEM NO. 9D

Memo

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Joe Kohlmann, City Administrator

Date: June 11th, 2013

Re: Fire Lane Ordinance Language

The City has previously received inquiries regarding the limitations and capacity of the North Waseca Fire Lane. As a result, the City formed a Task Force to discuss the North Waseca Fire Lane. One of the conclusions of the Task Force was that the North Waseca Fire Lane should serve the same capacity of the Municipal Docks. With that, Staff is recommending inserting the following language into the Fire Lane Section of the City's zoning ordinance:

Subd. 1.c. Class III shall only be used for the following: fishing from shore; winter vehicular access to the lake by vehicles not exceeding 10,000 pounds in weight; launching and retrieving of watercraft not exceeding twenty seven feet (27') in length and not exceeding ten thousand pounds (10,000) in weight. For purposes of this subdivision, length shall mean the horizontal measurement from the foremost to the aftermost points of the watercraft, including all equipment and attachments in their normal operation positions.

Attached is the current fire lane ordinance language.

Council Action Requested:
Direct Staff to begin the Ordinance Revision process.

1011.19 SUBDIVISION OF TWO FAMILY LOTS. The subdivision of base lots containing two-family dwellings to permit individual private ownership of a single dwelling within such a structure is acceptable upon approval by the City Council. Approval of a subdivision request is contingent upon the following requirements:

Subd. 1. Prior to a two-family dwelling subdivision, the base lot must meet all the requirements of the zoning district.

Subd. 2. There shall be no more than one principal structure on a base lot in all residential districts. The principal structure or a unit lot created in a two-family subdivision will be the portion of the attached dwelling existing or constructed on the platted unit lots.

Subd. 3. Permitted accessory uses as defined by the zoning districts are acceptable provided that they meet all the zoning requirements.

Subd. 4. A property maintenance agreement must be executed by the applicant and submitted to the City Attorney for review and approval. The agreement shall insure that the maintenance and upkeep of the structure and the lots to meet minimum City standards. The agreement must be filed with the Hennepin County Recorder's Office as a deed restriction against the title to each unit lot.

Subd. 5. Separate public utility service shall be provided to each subdivided unit and shall be subject to the review and approval of the City Engineer.

Subd. 6. Subdivision is to be platted and recorded in conformance with the requirements of Section 1030 of this Code.

1011.20 FIRE LANES.

Subd. 1. All fire lanes in the City shall be located, identified and the use thereof restricted to one of the following classifications as so designated on the official Zoning Map. All fire lanes are to provide lake access to the public.

a. Class I shall be used for pedestrian access to the lake, fishing from shore, launching canoes and other small boats not requiring a trailer, no sporting activities, involving thrown objects such as catch, softball, baseball, Frisbee, volleyball and football.

b. Class II can be used for all the activities as designated in Class I as well as snowmobile access during the winter.

c. Class III shall only be used for fishing, boat launching, and winter vehicular access to the lake.

d. Class IV shall be used for pedestrian access and fishing from shore.

Subd. 2. The following fire lanes shall be classified as follows:

a. Class I. 1-Crescent, 11-Pearl, 14-North Channel, 15-South Channel, 17-North Manitou, 2-Lake Place, 4-West Point, 6-North Sunrise, 7-South Sunrise, 9-Aspen, 10-Hazel, 16-Woodlawn, 19-Apgar, 20-North Brentwood, 21-South Brentwood.

b. Class II. 3-Interlachen, 8-South Waseca, 13-Woodpecker*, 18-Bay*.

c. Class III. 5-North Waseca.

d. Class IV. 12-Hill (inaccessible)

- These fire lanes shall be allowed to have winter motor vehicular traffic access to the lake.

(Hours same as park hours – City admin. note not part of ordinance)