

# Memorandum

**TO:** City Council  
**FROM:** Amy Truhlar , Deputy Clerk  
**DATE:** January 4, 2021  
**SUBJECT:** Designate Legal Newspaper for 2021  
**ITEM NUMBER:** 11.c  
**SECTION:** GENERAL BUSINESS

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## **REQUESTED MOTION**

To designate the Shoreview Press as the City's legal newspaper for 2021.

## **INTRODUCTION**

Minnesota Statute 412.831 requires city councils to designate a legal paper at their first meeting of the year. The legal paper is used to publish official items such as public hearing notices, ordinances, election notices, etc.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Shoreview Press was the city's legal newspaper in 2020 after years of using the Bulletin, which ceased publication in October 2019. Staff received the below quotes for 2021. The Pioneer Press and Star Tribune are published daily and the Shoreview Press is published every two weeks.

	<b><u>2020 Rate</u></b>	<b><u>2021 Rate</u></b>
Shoreview Press	\$5.78 per column inch	\$6.28 per column inch
Pioneer Press	\$6.00 per column inch	\$6.30 per column inch
Star Tribune	Not available	\$1.31 per line (\$14.85 per column inch)

In 2020, the city spent approximately \$3,900 for publishing legal notices.

The Shoreview Press is widely distributed in the community and is available at the city hall/community center. They also cover Shoreview news on a regular basis and will publish our press releases and highlight a number of our recreation programs and special events and activities.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the city council designate the Shoreview Press as the city's legal

newspaper for 2021.

**ATTACHMENTS**

[Quote-Shoreview Press](#)

[Quote-Pioneer Press](#)

[Quote-Star Tribune](#)