



# CITY OF CHANHASSEN

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On behalf of the entire community of Chanhassen, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the family of Prince Rogers Nelson and Special Administrator Bremer Trust for their recent announcement to make Paisley Park available to be visited by his multitude of fans around the world.

Chanhassen leaders and employees have received comments from thousands of people since Prince's death on April 21, a majority of which were in support of Paisley Park being preserved as an historic museum that celebrates the life and genius of this entertainment icon who made his home in our community.

Bremer Trust has made application through City Hall for development review to rezone the property for use as a museum. As is our responsibility, we will give this application consideration including hearing comments from the interested public parties at a Planning Commission meeting on September 20, 2016. I have arranged for a special meeting of the City Council on October 3, 2016 to give final consideration to the application.

From the documents that I've seen and the conversations that I've had with family members and close friends, I believe that the plans for Paisley Park are in full accordance with Prince's wishes. Much of his vision and design activity for Paisley Park as a museum is already in place. He knew exactly how to showcase his production studio for his fans in preparation for this eventual outcome.

Chanhassen will be pleased to demonstrate to the thousands of visitors to Paisley Park the same hospitality and respect that Prince enjoyed during his time in Chanhassen.

Denny Laufenburger



Mayor of Chanhassen