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Pictured (l-r) Mayor Schneider, Director of Public Works Lou Jearls Ward 2 Councilman Tim Jones, Ward 4 Councilman Jeff Caputa, Council President Jackie Pagano, Ward 8 Councilman Mark Schmidt and Director of Parks and Recreation Todd Schmidt. Council members Tim Jones, Jeff Caputa and Mark Schmidt were part of the Guaranteed Energy Savings Project Committee.

Mayor Schneider is pleased to announce that the City has finalized a comprehensive energy efficiency project at our James J. Eagan Center. The project utilized performance contracting to upgrade and improve major heat transferring aspects of our mechanical systems needed for the Ice Rink, Swimming Pool and HVAC equipment and address building envelope issues and lighting to achieve a more energy efficient building with significantly lower maintenance requirements.

One of the significant upgrades to the mechanical system at the James J. Eagan Civic Center was the installation of a Natatorium Dehumidification Component, or a Dectron Unit (pictured above). Excessive heat and humidity in the swimming pool area is a real concern and can cause many structural problems in the facility. This newly installed equipment not only dehumidifies the air and provides better air quality in the swimming pool environment, it also recovers all the heat rejected from the dehumidification process and utilizes it for heat elsewhere in the facility. Furthermore, it reclaims the water collected through the dehumidification process, heats the collected water with recycled energy, and returns it to the swimming pool. Patrons will quickly notice a substantial increase in the comfort level of both the air quality and the water temperature in the J.J.E. Indoor Swimming Pool. This project will add many years of efficient enjoyment of the James J. Eagan Center amenities.

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