



City of Northfield

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Northfield, MN 55057
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Meeting Agenda City Council

Tuesday, March 17, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

6:00 PM - CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor: Zweifel

Councilmembers: Beumer, Dahlen, Holmes, Ness, Peterson White, Sokup

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

Open Public Comment is intended to receive public comment on matters of City business and/or topics under the jurisdiction of the City Council. Individuals who would like to have a question addressed may write their question on the back of the comment card and an appropriate person will follow up with them at another time. If the topic relates to an item later in the agenda individuals may speak at this time if that is their preference. However, they will be unable to comment again later on the same agenda item.

Individuals who pre-registered may take one opportunity to address the Council for up to two (2) minutes. After all individuals on the sign-up list have spoken, other individuals may speak if time permits. Open Public Comment will conclude by 6:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PRESENTATIONS

1. [26-144](#) Oath of Office Ceremony for Northfield Police Department Officer Joshua Ortiz.

Attachments: [1 - Oath of Office - Police Officer](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

The proposed consent agenda is included on the agenda and shown on the screens in the Council Chambers. The purpose of a consent agenda is to allow for routine motions, resolutions, ordinances, and items previously discussed with consensus made, to be passed with one motion. These items are still important and necessary considerations and full background memo and materials have been prepared and are publicly available on the website and in the Council Chambers. City Council Members have had the opportunity to ask questions for clarification of consent agenda items in advance of the meeting and have had the opportunity to request an item be moved to the regular agenda for further discussion.

2. [26-145](#) Consider Approval of March 3, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Attachments: [1 - 03-03-2026 Council Meeting Minutes](#)

3. [26-146](#) Consider Approval of March 10, 2026 City Council Work Session Minutes.
- Attachments:** [1 - 03-10-2026 Council Work Session Minutes](#)
4. [26-147](#) Consider Approving Disbursements totaling \$2,913,683.06
- Attachments:** [1 - Disbursements](#)
 [2 - Disbursements](#)
5. [26-148](#) Consider Approval of Mayoral Board and Commission Appointments.
6. [Res. 2026-031](#) Consider Resolution Approving a New Joint Resolution for Orderly Annexation by and Between Bridgewater Township and the City of Northfield.
- Attachments:** [1 - DRAFT OAA - Updated City of Northfield-Bridgewater Township Orderly Annexat](#)
 [2 - EXHIBIT 3 - Bridgewater Annexation Map](#)
 [3 - EXHIBIT 4 - Bridgewater Zoning Ordinances \(Chapter 20\)](#)
 [4 - EXHIBIT 5 - Rice County Zoning Map \(11-26-24\)](#)
 [5 - NOTICE - Bridgewater Township OAA Proof of Legal Notice](#)
 [6 - FOR REFERENCE - Current OAA - Resolution 99-255 Bridgewater Annexation Ag](#)
 [7 - FOR REFERENCE - 1.11 Policy Position on Annexation](#)
 [8 - FOR REFERENCE - 414.0325 Orderly Annexation in Designated Unicorporated Ar](#)
7. [Res. 2026-032](#) Consider Resolution of Support for a NCRC Building Improvement Grant Submissions.
- Attachments:** [1 - Resolution of Support](#)
8. [Res. 2026-033](#) Consider Resolution Approving Repeal of Amended 4.09 Roles and Responsibilities of Council Finance Subcommittee Policy Consistent with Prior Action Repealing the Roles and Responsibilities of the Finance Policy Committee.
- Attachments:** [1 - 4.09 Roles and Responsibilities of Council Finance Subcommittee Policy Resolution](#)
 [2 - 4.09 Roles & Responsibilities of Council Finance Policy Subcommittee](#)
 [3 - Resolution 2016-102](#)
 [4 - Resolution 2025-091](#)
9. [26-149](#) Consider Approval of Liquor, Tobacco and Cannabinoid/Lower-Potency Hemp Edibles Violation Agreements.
- Attachments:** [1 - FlahertysAgreement.Signed](#)
 [2 - ApplebeesAgreement.Signed](#)
 [3 - PoshPuffAgreement.Signed](#)
 [4 - TobaccoFieldAgreement.Signed](#)

10. [26-150](#) Consider a motion approving the lower-potency hemp edible retailer application for Northfield 2002, LLC, dba Cub Foods, 2423 Highway 3 South.
- Attachments: [1 - City Code Chapter 30 - Cannabis Retail Business Registration](#)
11. [26-151](#) Consider Approval of Outdoor Dining Permit for Loon Liquors LLC dba Loon Liquor Company.
- Attachments: [1 - Table Diagram](#)
 [2 - Benches and Tables](#)
12. [Res. 2026-034](#) Consider Accepting Bids and Awarding Contract - 2026 Mill and Overlay & Mill Towns State Trail Improvements Project.
- Attachments: [1 - Resolution Accept Bid](#)
 [2 - Resolution 2026-021](#)
 [3 - Project Location Map](#)
 [4 - STRT2026-A83 - 2026 Mill and Overlay & Mill Towns State Trail Bid Tab](#)
 [5 - Project Process](#)
13. [Res. 2026-035](#) Consider Resolution Proclaiming the month of April 2026 Fair Housing Month.
- Attachments: [1 - Fair Housing Resolution 2026](#)
 [2 - Fair Housing webpage link](#)
14. [Res. 2026-036](#) Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing Establishing the Harvest Hills Tax Increment Financing District (“TIF”).
- Attachments: [1 - TIF Resolution_City Call for PH \(Harvest Hills\)](#)

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND RELATED ACTION

The public will have an opportunity to address the City Council on any public hearings. Individuals who pre-registered may take one opportunity to address the Council for up to two (2) minutes. After all individuals on the sign-up list have spoken, other individuals may speak. Persons must give their name and address and if representing a business must give the name of the business or corporation. If an attorney or consultant is representing a client, the client must be identified for the record.

The intent of the public hearing is to receive information from the public. Individuals who would like to have a question addressed may write their question on the back of the comment card and an appropriate person will follow up with them at another time.

15. [26-152](#) Public Hearing for Liquor License for Taco Terco LLC DBA Taco Terco, 307 Water Street S., Suite B, and 303 Water Street S.
- Attachments: [1 - Public Hearing Taco Terco](#)
 [2 - 307 303 Water Street Map](#)

16. [26-153](#) Consideration of New Liquor License for Taco Terco LLC DBA Taco Terco at 307 Water Street S., Suite B and 303 Water Street S.

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

17. [26-154](#) Reports From the Mayor and Council Members.

REGULAR AGENDA

The public will have an opportunity to address the City Council on the following regular agenda items. Individuals who pre-registered may take one opportunity to address the Council for up to two (2) minutes. After all individuals on the sign-up list have spoken, other individuals may speak. Persons must give their name and address and if representing a business must give the name of the business or corporation. If an attorney or consultant is representing a client, the client must be identified for the record.

The intent of the public comment is to receive information from the public. Individuals who would like to have a question addressed may write their question on the back of the comment card and an appropriate person will follow up with them at another time.

18. [Ord. 1092](#) Consideration of Ordinance 1092 Amending Northfield City Code, Chapter 74-Taxation (Related to Allowing Lodging Tax Administrative Collection Responsibilities to Be Transferred from the City Finance Department to the Minnesota Department of Revenue).

Attachments: [1 - Lodging Tax Amendment \(Redline\) First Reading](#)

19. [26-155](#) Consider Motion Authorizing Submittal of Grant Application for Final Design and Construction Plans for the Removal of Ames Mill Dam

Attachments: [1 - Ames Mill Dam Removal Option 3](#)
[2 - 2026-03-03-Proposal-Report-2027-286 - DRAFT](#)

ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE

20. [26-156](#) City Administrator's Update.

Attachments: [1 - Upcoming Council Agenda Items \(03-12-26\)](#)

ADJOURN

Note: The City Council may take a five minute break during the meeting. All regular City Council meetings end at 9:00 pm unless a simple (4/7) majority of the City Council vote to extend the time.

SPECIAL NEEDS: If you require special services to attend or participate in a public meeting, please call the City's Administration Office at (507) 645-3001 or e-mail Lynette Peterson, City Clerk, at lynette.peterson@northfieldmn.gov. TDD users can call (507) 645-3030. Please call at least 24 hours before the meeting, if possible.