



Legislation Text

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City Council Meeting Date: November 13, 2018

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Ben Martig, City Administrator

Consider Mayoral Appointments to the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee.

Action Requested:

The Northfield City Council approves Mayoral Appointment to the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee as follows:

- Names to be provided with supplemental memo.

Summary Report:

Mayor Pownell is currently finalizing the appointments to the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee and will be including as a supplemental memo.

At the October 16, 2018 Council meeting, the Northfield City Council approved a motion to approve the scope, project and focus area for the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee to include the following:

- Highway 246 Turnback (including additional review of improvements to the road including, but not limited to, a pedestrian underpass or overpass crossing for Jefferson Parkway)
- Transit (intra-City and inter-city)
- Transit Hub
- Highway 19 corridor related initiatives.

The City has a number of transportation related policy issues that are currently either active or potentially coming to discussion. The City Council approved the original resolution creating the committee at the September 18, 2018 Council meeting and is attached as a reference.

Alternative Options:

None recommended.

Financial Impacts:

N/A

Tentative Timelines:

The Committee will be scheduled to meet once they have been assembled.



MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 13, 2018

To: Honorable Mayor & City Council

CC: Dave Bennett, City Engineer/Director of Public Works; Monte Nelson, Police Chief; Chris Heineman, Community Planning and Development Director; Deb Little, City Clerk; Michelle Mahowald, Communications & Human Resources Director; Teresa Jensen, Director of Library and Information Technology Resources; Chris Hood, City Attorney

From: Ben Martig, City Administrator

RE: "Supplemental Agenda Background Memo" for November 13, 2018 No. 2.

Summary Report:

The following is an update on agenda items as supplemental background agenda information made available on Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Item #8 – Consider Resolution Establishing Riverfront Enhancement Committee and Mayoral Appointments.

- Resolution 2018-115 – Establishing the Northfield Riverfront Enhancement Advisory Committee and Confirming Mayoral Appointments is attached.

Item #9 – Consider Mayoral Appointments to the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee.

- Revised motion to read as follows:
The Northfield City Council approves Mayoral Appointments to the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee as follows:
 - Suzie Nakasion - chair
 - Rhonda Pownell
 - Galen Malecha
 - Ron Sommers
 - Glen Castore
 - Glenn Switzer or appointee
 - Will Schroeer
 - Betsey Buckheit
 - Liliana Trinidad Ramos
 - Todd Bornhauser

Item #18 – Discus Public Works Policy – Small Cell Wireless Review Guidelines

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MN
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2018-085
ESTABLISHING THE NORTHFIELD TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield desires “to provide a safe, convenient, multi-modal, and environmentally-responsible transportation system for Northfield and the surrounding region” as expressed in Chapter 7 Transportation Chapter of the City of Northfield Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the “Objective 4: Implement the transportation vision through strategic funding, and objective and definitive decision making, with the collaboration of surrounding jurisdictions” is identified in Chapter 7 of the Transportation Chapter of the City of Northfield Comprehensive Plan with the following strategies:

TR 4.1 – Establish concentrated and consistent support for local and regional political leadership to achieve components of the transportation system vision.

TR 4.2 – Empower City staff to pursue state and federal transportation funding and evaluate non-traditional transportation funding mechanisms.

TR 4.3 – Establish an area transportation advisory committee with the state, Rice and Dakota Counties, the City of Dundas and surrounding townships to coordinate and strategize regional transportation planning initiatives. (Hwy 19 between Northfield and I-35, Cannon River Crossing/CSAH 1 Preservation, NW Corridor).

TR 4.4 – Plan for and preserve opportunities for necessary transportation system improvements.

TR 4.5 – Achieve necessary transportation system improvements in a cost effective, timely fashion.

TR 4.6 – Establish momentum in the pursuit of the transportation system vision by periodic recognition of basic accomplishments and celebration of milestone achievements.

TR 4.7 – Encourage business owners, residents and community groups to be active participants in seeking funding by contacting local, state and federal decision makers in support of transportation funding ; and

WHEREAS, the Northfield City Council’s Strategic Plan adopted six strategic priorities, including “Diversity, Equity, Inclusion: A Community That Welcomes Everyone.” One desired

outcome under this priority includes “increased transit options for all”; and

WHEREAS, to achieve outcomes related to coordinating and strategizing regional transportation planning initiatives as referenced in this resolution, the City Council is being requested to consider establishing a Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee will work with city staff, consultants, as well as other governmental units and agencies; and

WHEREAS the Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee intends to meet quarterly, or as needed; and

WHEREAS, the Council has the Authority to create Boards and Commissions in accordance with Section 3.2 of the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Section 3.2 of the City Charter provides that the Mayor shall appoint the members of advisory boards and commissions subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the council which is proposed to occur at a future date; and

WHEREAS, the City Council will define the scope, project and focus areas at a future date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THAT:

The Northfield City Council establishes the “Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee” as follows:

1. The City Council will determine the scope, project and focus areas of the committee by a future actions.
2. The Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee shall provide regular updates and receive direction from the City Council as deemed appropriate or as requested by the City Council.
3. The Northfield Transportation Advisory Committee shall terminate effective upon majority approval of the City Council.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Northfield on this 18th day of September, 2018.

ATTEST:



City Clerk



Mayor

VOTE: Y POWNELL Y COLBY Y DELONG Y NAKASIAN