

CITY OF NORTHFIELD, MN
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2025-075
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF CERTAIN STREETS AND
TEMPORARY PUBLIC CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR A CITY-
SANCTIONED SPECIAL EVENT

WHEREAS, the City of Northfield desires to support and promote community events that enhance public engagement and economic activity in the downtown district; and

WHEREAS, the event organizer, Friends of Downtown Northfield, has submitted an application for a special event to be held on August 21, 2025, which includes street closures and requests temporary sale and public consumption of alcoholic beverages within a designated and controlled area; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes § 340A.404, Subdivision 10, authorizes the issuance of temporary on-sale liquor licenses to nonprofit organizations, political committees, and certain licensed brewers, wineries, or distilleries for the sale and consumption of alcohol in connection with a social event; and

WHEREAS, the Northfield City Council finds that it is in the public interest to allow the sale and public consumption of alcohol in a defined area for the duration of the event, provided that appropriate safety, licensing, and operational controls are in place;

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

1. The City hereby authorizes the temporary closure of the following public streets and right-of-way on Thursday, August 21, 2025 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.:
 - a. Bridge Square; Water Street South; Division Street from 3rd Street to 5th Street;
2. The City hereby authorizes temporary sale, public possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages within the designated event zone, defined as:
 - a. Exhibit A; Map of Area
3. This authorization is valid only during the following hours: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
4. Alcohol may only be sold and served in this area by:
 - a. Holders of approved temporary on-sale liquor licenses for the event.
5. All alcohol must be served in clearly marked containers, and no alcohol may be consumed or carried outside the designated event zone or inside businesses.
6. This resolution does not establish a permanent “social district” and applies only to this event.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Northfield on this 4th day of August, 2025.

ATTEST

City Clerk

Mayor

VOTE: ___ ZWEIFEL ___ BEUMER ___ DAHLEN ___ HOLMES
 ___ NESS ___ PETERSON WHITE ___ SOKUP