



City of Northfield

City Hall
801 Washington Street
Northfield, MN 55057
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Meeting Agenda

City Council

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

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. [25-116](#) 2024 Annual Police Report brief

Attachments: [1 - 2024 Annual Report Power Point - Council Mtg](#)

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. [25-117](#) Consider Approval of February 18, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Attachments: [1 - 02-18-2025 City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

3. [25-118](#) Consider Approval of February 18, 2025 City Council Work Session Minutes.

Attachments: [1 - 02-18-2025 Council Work Session Minutes](#)

4. [25-119](#) Consider Approving Disbursements totaling \$2,098,282.39

Attachments: [1 - Disbursements](#)
 [2 - Disbursements](#)

5. [Res. 2025-025](#) Consider Resolution Accepting Gifts Received by the City of Northfield in 2024.

Attachments: [1 - 2024 Gifts Resolution](#)
 [2 - Exhibit A-Gifts 2024](#)
 [3 - Library Gift List 2024](#)
 [4 - HCI In-Kind to City of Northfield 2024](#)

6. [25-120](#) Consider Approval of Liquor License Renewals.

Attachments: [1 - License List 2025](#)

7. [25-121](#) Approve Vehicle for Hire License Renewals.

8. [25-122](#) Approve Refuse License Renewals.

Attachments: [1 - Refuse License List.2025](#)

9. [Res. 2025-026](#) Consider Resolution Proclaiming April 25, 2025 as Arbor Day in Northfield.

Attachments: [1 - 2025 Resolution Proclaiming April 25 as Arbor Day in Northfield](#)

10. [Res. 2025-027](#) Approve Rice County Road Maintenance Agreement.

Attachments: [1 - Resolution Rice County Maintenance Agreement](#)
 [2 - 2.11.2025 City of Northfield Road Maintenance Agreement](#)
 [3 - County Maintenance Agreement Map](#)

11. [Res. 2025-028](#) Consider Resolution Approving Municipal Consent to Rice County for replacement of Bridge No. 88048 on County State Aid Highway 78 (Armstrong Road)

Attachments: [1 - Northfield Municipal Consent v2](#)

12. [25-123](#) Consider Approving the Stormwater and Water Conservation Education and Outreach Contract with Clean River Partners.

Attachments: [2025 CRP Stormwater and Water Conservation Consultant Service Contract -Signed](#)

13. [25-124](#) Consider Accepting the Agricultural Land Lease for Fargaze Meadows Outlots C & D (Meadows Park Land).

Attachments: [1 - 2025 Far-Gaze Farms Meadows Land Lease Final.pdf](#)

REPORTS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

14. [25-125](#) 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.

15. [25-126](#) City Attorney Training Presentation on Legal Issues for City Councilors including: Open Meeting Law; Data Practices and Conflict of Interest.

Attachments: [1 - City Attorney Presentation - FINAL](#)
[2 - LMC Handbook for Minnesota Cities Link](#)
[3 - City Code/City Charter Link](#)

ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE

16. [25-127](#) City Administrator's Update.

Attachments: [1 - Upcoming Agenda Itmes \(02-26-25\)](#)

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.*

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