



City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Draft Economic Development Authority

Monday, April 27, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

6:00PM REGULAR AGENDA

President Yoder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- Present** 6 - Enoch Blazis, Board Member Randy Yoder, Jessica Peterson White, Donald Stager, Chad Beumer, and Michael Thompson
- Absent** 1 - Sean Allen

Also present: Emery John, Community Development Program Associate; Matt Bailey, Meeting Associate; Owen Jacobi, Youth Representative

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Board Member Blazis, seconded by Board Member Beumer, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 6 - Blazis, Board Member Yoder, Peterson White, Stager, Beumer, and Thompson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [26-216](#) March 23, 2026 EDA Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Board Member Peterson White, seconded by Board Member Beumer, to approve the March 23, 2026 EDA Meeting Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 6 - Blazis, Board Member Yoder, Peterson White, Stager, Beumer, and Thompson

PRESENTATIONS

2. [26-217](#) Riverwalk Market Fair Spring Presentation

Community Development Program Associate introduced Chair of the Board of Directors of the Riverwalk Market Fair Martha Kasper, Market Manager Kari McMartin, and Assistant Manager April Kopack, who delivered the Spring presentation on their activities. McMartin and Kopack responded to questions and comments from the EDA.

3. [26-218](#) Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC) Presentation

Community Development Program Associate Emery John introduced Alma Flores, Executive Director of the Latino Economic Development Center (LEDC), who delivered a presentation on their activities of the past six months in Northfield. Flores responded to questions and comments from the EDA.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was received.

BOARD MEMBER AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS

No Board and Commissioner Reports were submitted.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. [26-219](#) March EDA Financials and Loan Report

Community Development Program Associate Emery John presented the March 2026 EDA Financials and Loan Report.

5. [26-220](#) Draft EDA Workplan

Community Development Program Associate Emery John presented the 2026-2027 Draft EDA Workplan. John responded to questions and comments from the EDA.

A motion was made by Board Member Peterson White, seconded by Board Member Stager, to extend the meeting until the end of business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 6 - Blazis, Board Member Yoder, Peterson White, Stager, Beumer, and Thompson

6. [26-221](#) Recognition of Service to the Northfield Economic Development Authority - Enoch Blazis

President Yoder and the other members of the EDA thanked Treasurer Blazis for his years of service on the Board.

STAFF UPDATES

7. [26-222](#) Staff Updates

Community Development Program Associate Emery John provided updates from City staff.

ADJOURNMENT

President Yoder adjourned the meeting at 7:39 p.m.