



# City of Northfield

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft Economic Development Authority

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Monday, February 23, 2026

6:00 PM ST. OLAF BUNTROCK COMMONS, 1521 ST. OLAF AVENUE,  
ROOM 142

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### Retreat

#### 6:00PM REGULAR AGENDA

#### ST. OLAF BUNTROCK COMMONS, 1521 ST. OLAF AVENUE, ROOM 142

*Meeting started at 4:40pm.*

**Present** 7 - Enoch Blazis, Board Member Randy Yoder, Jessica Peterson White, Sean Allen, Donald Stager, Chad Beumer, and Michael Thompson

*Also present: City Administrator Ben Martig, Community Development Director Scott Wopata, Program Associate Emery John, Administrative Associate Kari Bonde, Chamber Director Jane Bartho, Community Development Interns Diana Ortiz and Melanie Hernandez.*

1. [26-102](#) Economic Development Authority (EDA) Strategy Session Retreat.

**Attachments:** [1 - Strategic Plan \(1-pager EDA highlighted section\)](#)  
[2 - Excerpt Comp Plan: Strategies for Sustainable Economic Future](#)

*Introductions were given by all board members and staff. A goal was set to come out of the meeting with 2026 priorities.*

*Comprehensive Plan - chapter 4 was reviewed and small group discussions were held. Groups discussed the 10 strategies in chapter 4 noting chapters 1, 2, 3 & 5 are the top priorities for them.*

#### ADJOURNMENT

*Meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.*