



# City of Northfield

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

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Tuesday, December 14, 2021

6:00 PM

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### Special Council Meeting

#### 6:00 PM - REGULAR AGENDA CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:03PM.

**Present:** 7 - Council Member Clarice Grabau, Council Member Suzie Nakasian, Council Member Brad Ness, Council Member Jessica Peterson White, Mayor Rhonda Pownell, Council Member Jami Reister, and Council Member George Zuccolotto

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Ness, seconded by Council Member Reister, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 7- C. Grabau, C. Nakasian, C. Ness, C. Peterson White, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, and C. Zuccolotto

#### CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Peterson White, seconded by Council Member Ness, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 7- C. Grabau, C. Nakasian, C. Ness, C. Peterson White, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, and C. Zuccolotto

1. [Res. 2021-126](#) Consider Resolution and approval of 2022-2024 Base Pay Schedules.
2. [Res. 2021-127](#) Consider approval of 2022-2024 Sergeants labor agreement and memorandums of understanding.
3. [Res. 2021-128](#) Consider Resolution Approving the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the State of Minnesota and Local Governments Authorizing Participation in National Opioid Settlements.

#### REGULAR AGENDA

4. [21-721](#) Collaborate and Refine Bridge Square Improvements in context of the Riverfront Enhancement Action Plan (Note: Worksession Agenda Item).

*Bruce Jacobson started the presentation with a quick overview. This outlined areas of*

*discussion from where they left off on from the last time the Council met on the Bridge Square Improvements. This also included initial thoughts and primary features.*

*Bob Close presented on summary talking points. Councilors discussed location of the water fountain and each had an opportunity to provide feedback on whether or not they want the fountain to stay in it's current location or look into moving it.*

*The Council and consultants discussed a wide variety of elements to consider. One for example is enhancing the bike and pedestrian trails along the river front.*

*During the discussion the consultants had plan reviews around a table for the mayor and Council to review. The Council took a short break at 7:30PM and resumed the meeting at 7:35PM.*

*The last part of the discussion included a list of talking points. On the slide there were 17 topics which were excerpts from meeting notes. Councilors provided feedback on each of the 17 summary lines and found for the most part they were in agreement with what was being proposed.*

*Public Works Director/City Engineer Bennett answered questions posed by the Council and mentioned that the Heritage Preservation Commission and Veteran's Board had an opportunity to review and provide their input on the Bridge Square Improvements. Community Development Director Baker also answered questions posed by Council.*

## **ADJOURN**

**A motion was made by Council Member Ness, seconded by Council Member Peterson White, to adjourn the meeting at 8:20PM. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes: 7- C. Grabau, C. Nakasian, C. Ness, C. Peterson White, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, and C. Zuccolotto**