

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AMENDMENTS TO NORTHFIELD CITY CHARTER

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing shall be held before the City Council of the City of Northfield on June 15, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 801 Washington, Northfield, Minnesota, to receive public input regarding certain proposed amendments to the Northfield City Charter.

Alternate methods for public input rather than in person participation at a meeting:

- eComment – Residents can comment on agenda items until 4 pm on the day of the meeting by using the eComment (electronic comment) system. Once the City Council agenda is published, the eComment link will be active. Residents can review agenda item details, indicate their position on an item and leave feedback by clicking on the eComment tab on the City Council meetings page:
<https://northfield.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>
- Send an email no later than 4:00 pm the day of the meeting to the City Clerk Lynette Peterson at lynette.peterson@ci.northfield.mn.us noting public hearing comment in the subject line and type your comment in the body of the email or attach a document if necessary. These emails will be read at the meeting, subject to the two-minute limit.
- Send a letter containing your input to:
 - City Clerk Lynette Peterson, City of Northfield, 801 Washington Str., Northfield, MN 55057
 - Letters must be received prior to the meeting.
 - Letters will be read at the meeting, subject to the two-minute limit.

The City Council may enact the proposed amendments, or some of them, by ordinance following the public hearing. Any such ordinance will receive two readings by the City Council and will be published following passage by the Council. Statutory provisions for a petition for referendum on such an ordinance will apply. The text of the proposed amendment is printed below.

SECTION 1. Northfield City Charter, Chapter Fourteen. - City Hospitals, Section 14.2. - Hospital Board is hereby amended as follows: new material is underlined; deleted material is lined out; sections which are not proposed to be amended are omitted; sections which are only proposed to be re-numbered are only set forth below as to their number and title (text is omitted).

Section 14.2. - Hospital Board.

The control and management of all hospitals, convalescent homes, nursing homes, and related medical facilities including medical clinics, now or hereafter owned and operated by the City of Northfield shall be committed to a hospital board consisting of seven (7), eight (8) or nine (9) members as determined by the council. The members shall be residents of the Northfield School District with no more than ~~two~~ three members residing outside the corporate limits of the City of Northfield. The members shall not be paid a salary for their services, but shall receive actual expenses while on business of the board. Except as provided in this section, ~~No~~ member of said board shall be an employee of the Northfield City Hospital. The appointments to the board shall be made by the mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the city council. The mayor may, but is not required to, include one medical doctor or other patient care professional employed by the Hospital as one of the mayor's appointments. No more than one person employed by the Hospital may serve on the board at any time. The members shall be appointed for three-year terms. The maximum number of consecutive terms shall be three (3). The members shall be eligible for reappointment after a period of one (1) year off the board. When the size of the board is changed, the terms of the new appointees may be less than three (3) years. Vacancies in the board shall be filled by appointment and shall be confirmed in like manner for the remainder of the unexpired term.