

City of Northfield

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Legislation Text

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City Council Meeting Date: January 2, 2018

To: Mayor and City Council

City Administrator

From: Deb Little, City Clerk

Subject:

Oath of Office - Council Member Colby

Action Requested:

None

Summary Report:

Section 4.1 of the City Charter requires that at the first meeting in January newly elected members of the council be administered the oath of office as the first order of business. Council Member Greg Colby will be sworn into office.

Minnesota Statutes provide for an affirmation in lieu of the oath of office. The applicable Statute is noted below.

§358.08 AFFIRMATION IN LIEU OF OATH.

If any person of whom an oath is required shall claim religious scruples against taking the same, the word "swear" and the words "so help you God" may be omitted from the foregoing forms, and the word "affirm" and the words "and this you do under the penalties of perjury" shall be substituted therefor, respectively, and such person shall be considered, for all purposes, as having been duly sworn.

Alternative Options:

N/A

Financial Impacts:

N/A

Tentative Timelines:

The oath of office is required to be administered at the first meeting in January.