



MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Sutton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Blackledge, Greenberg, Parisian, Wagner, Sutton

Absent:

Staff: Tim Sandvik, City Manager; Matt Bazyk, Recreation Services Manager; Chase Peterson-Etem, Assistant City Manager/City Clerk; Chris Huber, Liquor Store Manager; Heather Rand, Community Development Director

MICROPHONE CHECK

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jack Chesney, 4118 Shoreline Drive, asked if there were any updates he had missed about the Shoreline Drive project, specifically regarding the bike lane. He also asked about the soil being dug up at Sanborn Park and if it would be reused.

Member Greenberg noted he met with Mr. Chesney and that he would be bringing his concerns to an upcoming work session.

City Manager Sandvik stated much of the soil at Sanborn is inert and if there were contaminated soil, it would not be used for fill.

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2025, MEETING AGENDA

City Clerk Peterson-Etem noted two additions to the agenda and one recommendation for tonight.

1. Update to New Business Item 10A, First Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Fee Schedule
2. Addition of Other Business Item 11A, Voucher Requests Pending Approval for Disbursement

Member Parisian MOVED, seconded by Wagner, to approve the November 18, 2025, City Council agenda as amended. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Member Greenberg MOVED, seconded by Blackledge, to approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

- A. Approve City Council Meeting minutes from November 4, 2025
- B. Approve City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes from October 14, 2025
- C. Approve City Council Special Work Session Meeting Minutes from October 21, 2025

D. Approval of Credit Card Charges and Payment – September 2025

E. A Resolution Authorizing the City of Robbinsdale to Participate in the Gold Leaf Challenge Program

PRESENTATIONS

A. Native American Heritage Month Proclamation

Peterson-Etem introduced the Native American Heritage Month Proclamation.

Member Parisian thanked the DEI Committee for putting together the Proclamation and stated she is happy to offer her support. She further highlighted the "whereas" clause and noted how residents can participate in this clause through a Round Dance being held on November 21 at Robbinsdale Middle School from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Member Wagner thanked the indigenous ancestors who stewarded this land before his ancestors used it and thanked the Staff for putting the Proclamation together.

Member Greenberg expressed his gratitude to the staff and the DEI Committee and shared his support for this Proclamation.

Member Blackledge echoed the sentiments of the other Council Members and recognized other ways the City is trying to honor Native American history.

Mayor Sutton stated that this is a great time to recognize all the contributions made by Native Americans and to recognize what this land once was.

Member Greenberg MOVED, seconded by Parisian, to accept the Native American Heritage Month Proclamation. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing on Liquor Store Operations

City Manager Sandvik discussed the Statute that requires the public hearing and the notices that were posted. He also gave a detailed history of the item.

Mayor Sutton congratulated Sandvik on making an \$83,000 swing and asked if the goal is to transfer \$150,000 out of the liquor fund into the park and public safety fund yearly. Sandvik stated that the Council gets to make that decision, but feels it's reasonable. He also noted that the Staff's goal is to continue to grow the fund.

Member Parisian MOVED, seconded by Blackledge, to open the public hearing. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

Member Greenberg MOVED, seconded by Blackledge, to close the public hearing. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

Liquor Store Manager Huber thanked the Council and noted they are trying to reach past numbers, but \$83,000 is still a good swing. He also stated the liquor store eliminated a redundant position.

Mayor Sutton commented that he likes to treasure hunt within the store.

Liquor Store Manager Huber stated his employee does a great job and emphasized how they utilize Facebook as advertising.

Member Wagner asked what the predictions are for 2026. Liquor Store Manager Huber stated he is hoping numbers climb, but it's difficult to predict. He stated he would love to have a Council Member who can act as a liaison to meet once a month or quarter.

OLD BUSINESS

A. None

NEW BUSINESS

A. First Reading of an Ordinance Amending the Fee Schedule

Sandvik detailed the background of reviewing the fee schedule and highlighted the fee schedule updates.

Community Development Director Rand noted that Staff changed the format of the fee schedule to make it more readable.

Member Blackledge emphasized the importance of accessibility and thanked the Staff for making it clearer and concise.

Member Wagner asked if utility fees end up in the same location as other fees once received. Sandvik stated that on some occasions, they collect fees that may go to the general fund, but the fees are not meant to be a revenue generator and typically go towards repaying funds.

Member Greenberg MOVED, seconded by Wagner, to hold the first reading of Ordinance No. 25-17, An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the Robbinsdale Fee Schedule. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. Voucher Disbursement Report

Member Parisian MOVED, seconded by Greenberg, to approve voucher disbursement requests for the period ending November 18, 2025. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Sandvik discussed office closures on November 27 and 28, snow emergency communications, yard waste pickup, wood chips delivered to Manor Park, different holiday toy drives, the holiday tree lighting event, and upcoming public hearings.

COUNCIL GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

Member Wagner wished everyone a safe and fun Thanksgiving.

Member Parisian wished all a Happy Thanksgiving and encouraged residents to participate in "Small Business Saturday".

Member Greenberg encouraged residents to enjoy time with family, friends, and neighbors over Thanksgiving. He also discussed the recent school board meeting decisions regarding closing Robbinsdale Middle School and Lakeview Elementary School. He stated another meeting would be held on Monday, November 24, with future public hearings in December, and asked residents to voice their support in keeping the schools open.

Member Blackledge noted the final cultural peacekeeping meeting at Elim Church and encouraged residents to be intentional with their neighbors.

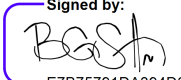
Mayor Sutton wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and encouraged residents to spread joy, as this season can be difficult for some.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Greenberg MOVED, seconded by Wagner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

Signed by:

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Chase Peterson-Em, City Clerk

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Bradley Sutton, Mayor