



**City Council Agenda
City Council - Regular Session
September 8, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

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A. Open Comment Period

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- A.1. [Sign-up In Person 30 Minutes before the meeting. View Open Comment guidelines for additional ways to participate. Virtual participation is not available at this time.](#)**

B. Call to Order/Roll Call

C. City Administrator's Report

D. Mayor's Report

E. Order of Agenda

F. Consent Agenda

F.1. [Minutes for the City Council Meeting of August 11, 2025 and August 18, 2025](#)

Accepting the minutes and video of the August 11, 2025 and August 18, 2025 meeting as the official record of the City Council.

F.2. [Accounts Payable for September 8, 2025](#)

Approving the listing of total disbursements for September 8, 2025, in the amount of \$74,255,428.91, including investment purchases of \$35,902,901.00 and accounts payable of \$38,352,527.91.

F.3. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

Approving the Mayoral appointment of:

1. Brian Rossow to the Board of Appeals, effective immediately, for a first term ending December 31, 2028 (replacing T. Jahns).
2. Timothy Williams to the Board of Appeals, effective immediately, for a first term ending December 31, 2028 (replacing R. Jongeling)
3. Ryan Mihalak to the Library Board, effective immediately, to fill the unexpired term of C. Wruck ending January 1, 2026.
4. Abdimajid (Axe) Ahmed to the Planning and Zoning Commission, effective immediately, to fill the unexpired term of A. Moe ending December 31, 2027.

F.4. 2025 Latino Fest - Community Festival

Adopting a Resolution approving the special event permit application for the 2025 Latino Fest event and declaring it a community festival.

F.5. Parking Restriction Changes in Various Locations for September 8, 2025

Adopting a Resolution amending the Comprehensive Traffic and Parking Resolution Book to amend parking restrictions on various streets as of September 8, 2025.

F.6. Minnesota Chiefs of Police Foundation Community Partnership Grant

Authorizing the Rochester Police Department (RPD), to apply for, and if awarded accept a Minnesota Chiefs of Police Foundation Grant to support RPD's youth crime prevention and engagement programs.

F.7. Minnesota Statewide Solar on Public Buildings Grant Program and Contract Award to Solar Connection for Solar Array Installation

1. Approving a grant application for the Minnesota Statewide Solar on Public Buildings Grant; and
2. Approving a contract with Solar Connection for the installation of a 40-kW solar array on the North Precinct, contingent on receiving the award of the Solar on Public Buildings Grant.

F.8. 2025 Electric Utility Budget Amendment - Conversion of the 2025 Distribution Transformer Capital Allocation to a Multi-year Capital Distribution Transformer Allocation

Adopting a Resolution converting the current five-year proforma distribution transformer allocation to a multi-year capital allocation for the period of 2025 through 2029.

F.9. Budget Amendment for the 2025 Electric Utility Budget for the Cascade Creek Gas Turbine 1 (GT1) Recovery Plan

Authorizing an amendment to the 2025 Electric Utility Budget to enable the detailed inspection, disassembly, and engineering work for the potential recovery of Cascade Creek Gas Turbine 1 (GT1), with a total exploration project cost not to exceed \$2,000,000.

F.10. Opioid Litigation Settlement Agreements and Authorization

Adopting a Resolution authorizing participation in additional and future national prescription opioid settlement agreements.

F.11. Grant Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs for 2026 Crime Victim Services Grant

Adopting a Resolution authorizing renewal of a Crime Victim Service Grant with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety Office of Justice Programs.

F.12. Bid Extension for Mathiowetz Construction Company

Executing an agreement with Mathiowetz Construction Company to extend their bid expiration date through September 30, 2025 for the General Aviation Apron Reconstruction and Expansion Project at the Rochester International Airport (RST).

F.13. Winter Snow Removal Equipment Rental Agreement

Authorizing the rental of four (4) front-end loaders and two (2) plows from November 1 through April 30 during the winters of 2025–2026, 2026–2027, and 2027–2028 for Public Works Street Maintenance.

F.14. City-Owner Contract: Public Improvements to Serve Mercy Hill Third Subdivision - Project No. J5652

Authorizing:

1. A City-Owner contract for Project No. J5652, "Public Improvements to Serve Mercy Hill Third Subdivision," with City execution conditional upon full execution of the contract by Owner, Contractor, and Design Engineer, project and grading plan approvals, and Contractor's submission of the appropriate bond and insurance documentation and;
2. A professional technical services contract with Widseth Smith Nolting & Associates, Inc., for \$114,421, for work related to Project No. J5652, "Public Improvements to Serve Mercy Hill Third Subdivision," subject to City execution of the City-Owner contract.

F.15. City-Owner Contract: Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Gonda East Entrance Renovations - Project No. J5631

Authorizing:

1. A City-Owner contract for Project No. J5631, "Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Gonda East Entrance Renovations," with City execution conditional upon full execution of the contract by Owner, Contractor, and Design Engineer, project and grading plan approvals, and Contractor's submission of the appropriate bond and insurance documentation and;
2. A professional technical services contract with WSB LLC, for \$86,750, for work related to Project No. J5631, "Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Gonda East Entrance Renovations," subject to City execution of the City-Owner contract.

F.16. City-Owner Contract: Public Improvements to Serve Badger Heights (excluding Outlots A & B) - Project No. J5656

1. Authorizing a City-Owner contract for Project No. J5656, "Public Improvements to Serve Badger Heights (excluding Outlots A & B)," with City execution conditional upon full execution of the contract by Owner, Contractor, and Engineer, project and grading plan approvals, and Contractor's submission of the appropriate bond and insurance documentation, and;
2. Approving a professional technical services contract with Widseth Smith Nolting & Associates, Inc., dba Widseth, for \$167,625, for work related to Project No. J5656, "Public Improvements to Serve Badger Heights (excluding Outlots A & B)," subject to City execution of the City-Owner contract.

F.17. City-Owner Contract: Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Prospect Utility Plant Expansion, Phase 2 - Project No. J5627

Authorizing:

1. A City-Owner contract for Project No. J5627, "Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Prospect Utility Plant Expansion, Phase 2," with City execution conditional upon full execution of the contract by Owner, Contractor, and Design Engineer, project and grading plan approvals, and Contractor's submission of the appropriate bond and insurance documentation and;
2. A professional technical services contract with WSB LLC for \$10,450 for work related to Project No. J5627, "Public Improvements to Serve Mayo Clinic Prospect Utility Plant Expansion, Phase 2," subject to City execution of the City-Owner contract.

F.18. City-Owner Contract: Public Improvements to Serve Creekview Meadows Third Subdivision - Project No. J5659

Authorizing:

1. A City-Owner contract for Project No. J5659, "Public Improvements to Serve Creekview Meadows Third Subdivision," with City execution conditional upon full execution of the contract by Owner, Contractor, and Design Engineer, project and grading plan approvals, and Contractor's submission of the appropriate bond and insurance documentation and;
2. A professional technical services contract with WSE Engineering Services Ltd., for \$57,378.75, for work related to Project No. J5659, "Public Improvements to Serve Creekview Meadows Third Subdivision," subject to City execution of the City-Owner contract.

F.19. Contract with Rochester Sand & Gravel for Neighborhood Traffic Management Program - Lincolnshire - Project No. J8208

Adopting a Resolution approving a contract with Rochester Sand & Gravel for the construction of traffic calming improvements in the Lincolnshire Neighborhood along Nottingham Dr NW and 48th St NW - Project No. J8208.

F.20. Contract with ICON, LLC for the Construction of the Regional Storm Water Management Facility, Pond 308 (Kuehl Regional Pond) – Project No. J6677

Adopting a Resolution approving a contract with ICON, LLC in the amount of \$379,520.50 for the construction of the Regional Storm Water Management Facility, Pond 308 (Kuehl Regional Pond) – Project No. J6677.

F.21. Contract with WHKS for Design of the Sanitary Sewer Extension West Zumbro WZ-22 - 1058- Project No. J7862

1. Authorizing a contract with WHKS, in the amount of \$321,660 from September 9, 2025, to December 31, 2026, for the design of the Sanitary Sewer Extension West Zumbro WZ-22-1058- Project No. J7862 and;
2. Authorizing City staff to advertise for bids and schedule a bid opening once the project's design is completed.

F.22. Contract with ICON, LLC. and State Grant Agreement for Cascade Trail Crossing Improvements - Project No. J4737

1. Adopting a Resolution approving a contract with ICON, LLC., for Cascade Trail Crossing Improvements - Project No. J4737 and;
2. Adopting a Resolution approving the terms and conditions for the State of Minnesota Active Transportation Program Grant Agreement.

F.23. Reconstruction of Center Street E from the Zumbro River Bridge to 11th Ave NE/SE - Project No. J7348

Authorizing Council Action for the following:

1. Adopting a Resolution ordering the preparation of a Feasibility Report for Reconstruction of Center Street E from the Zumbro River Bridge to 11th Ave NE/SE - Project No. J7348;
2. Adopting a Resolution accepting the Feasibility Report and calling for public improvement hearing on November 3, 2025 for Center Street E from the Zumbro River Bridge to 11th Ave NE/SE - Project No. J7348 and;
3. Adopting a Resolution setting an assessment hearing on November 3, 2025, for the Reconstruction of Center Street E from the Zumbro River Bridge to 11th Ave NE/SE - Project No. J7348.

F.24. Individual Site Development Agreement with CityView Flats, LLC for the Skyline Flats Apartments

Authorizing an individual site development agreement with CityView Flats, LLC for an apartment development referred to as Skyline Flats.

F.25. Right-of-Entry on Landowner Property to Continue Surveys for Willow Creek Regional Trail Project

Adopting a Resolution authorizing the right-of-entry on a property (tax ID No. 642421041941 (the "Property")) for the purposes of conducting environmental surveys for the Willow Creek Regional Trail Project.

F.26. Rescinding of Orderly Annexation Resolution 080-25 for Annexation Petition CD2025-001ANX

Adopting a Resolution rescinding Orderly Annexation Resolution 080-25 related to Annexation Petition CD2025-001ANX, which has been superseded by a new orderly Annexation Resolution 118-25 approving the Annexation request.

Public Hearing Guidelines

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G. Public Hearings

G.1. Major Land Subdivision No. CD2025-025 PLAT by SCS Rochester LLC.

Adopting a Resolution approving Major Land Subdivision No. CD2025-025PLAT by SCS Rochester LLC., to be known as Savannah Rochester, with two conditions, for the subdivision of 30.17 acres into 2 blocks consisting of 2 Lots and 2 Outlots.

G.2. Vacation Petition No. CD2025-006VAC by Rochester School District

Adopting a Resolution approving Vacation Petition No. CD2024-006VAC, by Rochester Public School District for the vacation of two alley right-of-ways within Block 13 of Northern Addition Subdivision.

G.3. Growth Management Map Amendment No. CD2025-002GMMA by the City of Rochester

Adopting a Resolution approving Growth Management Map Amendment No. CD2025-002GMMA, by the City of Rochester, to amend 175 acres on the City's Growth Management Map from "Urban Reserve Beyond 2050" to "Near Term Urban Expansion".

G.4. Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. CD2025-003CPA by the City of Rochester

Adopting a Resolution approving Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. CD2025-003CPA, by the City of Rochester to change the land use designation of 175 acres of land from "Urban Reserve" to "Low Density Residential"

G.5. Annexation Petition No. CD2025-004ANX, by Pulte Homes of Minnesota LLC

1. Approving Annexation Petition No. CD2025-004ANX, by Pulte Homes of Minnesota LLC to incorporate 120 acres of land located southwest of the intersection of Country Club Road and 45th Ave SW; and
2. Directing the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance for first reading.

G.6. The Planning 2 Succeed P2S Comprehensive Plan Five-Year Update

Approving the adoption of The Planning 2 Succeed P2S 2040 Comprehensive Plan update.

H. Reports and Recommendations

H.1. 2025 Olmsted County Housing Needs Analysis Stakeholder Presentation

No action requested, for Council information only.

H.2. Renewable Energy Power Purchase Agreements

No action needed. Informational only. Discuss authorizing the Rochester Public Utilities General Manager and the Rochester City Attorney to negotiate and finalize the Wind Energy Purchase Agreements with North Hills Wind Project, LLC, Restore Renewables, LLC and Restore Renewables II, LLC, with up to 245 MW of wind-based projects, based on recommendation from the Rochester Public Utility Board.

H.3. Adoption of the New City Action Plan

Adopting the new City Action Plan as a guiding framework for advancing the City's new Strategic Priorities.

H.4. Start-Up Funds in the amount of \$20,000 of 2025 contingency for the International Relations Committee

Approving \$20,000 in 2025 contingency to create start-up funding for the International Relations Committee.

I. Council Initiated Actions

J. Ordinance First Readings

J.1. Zone Change No. CD2025-004ZC by Veldco

Receiving and Filing the First Reading of Zone Change No. CD2025-004ZC, by Veldco, amending the zoning designation on a 5.48-acre site from MXS (Mixed Use Street) to MXC (Mixed Use Center).

K. Ordinance Second Readings

L. Tabled Items

M. Other Business

N. Adjournment