



**City Council Agenda
City Council - Regular Session
January 22, 2025
6:00 p.m.**

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Pledge of Allegiance

Vision, Principles, and Priorities for the City of Rochester

A. Open Comment Period

View the open comment period guidelines [online](#).

- 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 January 6, 2025

Accepting the minutes and video of the January 6, 2025, meeting as the official record of the City Council.

F.2. Reappointments to Boards and Commissions

Approving the Mayoral reappointment of:

1. Bradley Trahan to the Police Civil Service Commission effective March 6, 2025, for their first three-year term ending March 5, 2028.

F.3. Accounts Payable for January 22, 2025

Approving the listing of total disbursements for January 22, 2025, in the amount of \$29,493,682.05 including investment purchases of \$19,939,929.70 and accounts payable of \$9,553,752.35.

F.4. Charitable Gambling Premises Permit for Hiawatha Sno-Seekers at The Workshop Food Hall & Bar

Adopting a Resolution authorizing the issuance of an initial charitable gambling premises permit for Hiawatha Sno-Seekers, operating at The Workshop Food Hall & Bar located at 1232 3 Ave SE.

F.5. 2025 Revised Mileage Rate

Approving a mileage rate increase from \$0.67 per mile to \$0.70 per mile to match the changing Internal Revenue Service (IRS) guidelines effective January 1, 2025.

F.6. Bid Advertisement - Government Center Lot - Project No. J2585

Authorizing the advertisement for bids and scheduling a bid opening on February 18, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. for improvements to the Government Center surface parking lot.

F.7. Purchase of Front-End Loader Plow Attachment

Authorizing the purchase of a Metal Pless Plow Attachment from Storm Equipment in the amount of \$40,805.60 for use with existing front-end loaders used by the Public Works Street Maintenance Department to remove snow in cul-de-sacs and on dead-end streets.

F.8. Great Lakes Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program Application

Adopting a Resolution:

1. Acknowledging the City's support and sponsorship of an application to the 'Great Lakes Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program' for the following projects:
 1. Expansion of the Rochester Air Network (RAN) through installation of air quality sensors along Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridors.
 2. Implementation of a Healthy Homes and Energy Navigator program focused on enhancing indoor air quality and energy efficiency in economically distressed neighborhoods.
 3. Establishment of a temporary position called 'Air Quality Technician' to oversee project implementation and community engagement; and
2. Authorizing the hire of a temporary Air Quality Technician if the grant is fully awarded.

F.9. Settlement agreement related to Tap House Real Estate, LLC, vs. City of Rochester

Approving a settlement agreement between Tap House Real Estate, LLC and the City of Rochester, in United States District Court matter No. 22-cv-00492 (ECT/DTS) (D. Minn.)

Public Hearing Guidelines

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G. Public Hearings

G.1. Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. CD2024-004CPA by SHS Construction

Adopting a Resolution approving Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. CD2024-004CPA, by SHS Construction, to change the land use designation of an approximately 4-acre parcel from Low-Density Residential to Small Employment Development located south of Marion Rd SE and west of Pearl Ct SE at 2221 Marion Rd SE.

(Requires 5 affirmative votes to pass)

H. Reports and Recommendations

H.1. Downtown Property Preservation Program Funding Request for 330 Broadway Ave S

Adopting a Resolution authorizing Downtown Property Preservation Program funding (GSIA) in the amount of \$125,288.04 for a project that will include a 2nd floor renovation into an apartment unit to the property located at 330 Broadway Ave S.

Clerk's Note: *This item was adopted at the January 6, 2025, Council meeting, and was subsequently vetoed by Mayor Norton. The veto automatically places the item back on the next agenda for reconsideration. To override a veto, the item must pass with a supermajority of the body voting Aye (5 regardless of quorum). The item may only be considered as it was passed. No amendments may be made.*

H.2. Study Session Meeting Location Update

1. Updating the City Council on the current status of audio-visual (a/v) capabilities outside of Council Chambers.
2. Providing an opportunity for discussion regarding the holding of study sessions in a less formal environment and how that intersects with the Council Rules of Procedure and Code of Conduct and Minnesota Open Meeting Law regarding streaming and broadcasting of public meetings.
3. Recommending study sessions be held in Conference Room 104 and recorded via single-fixed camera, then uploaded the following day to the archive and cable until a/v upgrades in Room 104 are completed and broader functionality is restored.
4. Discussion of whether an alternative space is desired if an active livestream is considered critical for a location to host study sessions more informally.

I. Council Initiated Actions

J. Ordinance First Readings

J.1. Zone Change No. CD2024-003ZC by Diamond Land Holdings LLC

Receiving and Filing the First Reading of Zone Change No. CD2024-003ZC, by Diamond Land Holdings LLC, changing the zoning designation on an approximately 2.39-acre site from MX-S (Mixed Use Street-Oriented) to MX-C (Mixed Use Center).

K. Ordinance Second Readings

L. Tabled Items

M. Other Business

N. Adjournment