



EDINA MINNESOTA

City Council Meeting Agenda

April 7, 2026, 7:00 PM

Edina City Hall, Council Chambers, 4801 W. 50th St.



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1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Meeting Agenda

5. Community Comment

During "Community Comment," the Mayor will invite residents to share issues or concerns that are not scheduled for a future public hearing. Items that are on tonight's agenda may not be addressed during Community Comment. Individuals must limit their comments to three minutes. The Mayor may limit the number of speakers on the same issue in the interest of time and topic. Individuals should not expect the Mayor or Council to respond to their comments tonight. The City Manager will respond to questions raised during Community Comments at the next meeting.

5.1. City Manager's Response to Community Comments

6. Adoption of Consent Agenda

All agenda items listed on the Consent Agenda will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of items unless requested to be removed by a Council Member. If removed the item will be considered immediately following the adoption of the Consent Agenda. (Favorable roll call vote of majority of Council Members present to approve, unless otherwise noted in consent item.)

6.1. Minutes: Work Session and Regular, Mar. 17, 2026

6.2. Payment of Claims

6.3. Sustainable Building Policy Partial Waiver for Braemar Arena Expansion Project

6.4. Purchase Request: Lake Herbicide Treatments for Algae

6.5. Purchase Request: Stormwater Assets Inspections 2026

6.6. Purchase Request: Sanitary and Storm Sewer Manhole Lining

6.7. Resolution 2026-18: Authorizing Community Tree Planting Grant Agreement

6.8. Purchase Request: York Pond Storm Water Improvements

6.9. Purchase Request: Prospect Knolls A, C & D and Parklawn Court Neighborhood Roadway Reconstruction

6.10. Purchase Request: Fred Richards Park Preconstruction Tree Removals

6.11. Purchase Request: Fred Richards Park Design and Engineering Construction Administration

6.12. Purchase Request: Network Storage Replacement

6.13. Resolution 2026-17: Authorizing Application for the Livable Communities Grant Program

6.14. Parks & Recreation Commission Appointment

6.15. Purchase Request: July 4th Fireworks

6.16. Digital Accessibility Policy

7. Special Recognitions and Presentations

7.1. Proclamation: Days of Remembrance — April 13-20, 2026

7.2. Proclamation: National 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Week — April 12-18, 2026

7.3. Proclamation: Earth Day — April 22, 2026

7.4. Annual Sustainability and Climate Action Update

8. Reports/Recommendations

- 8.1. Ordinance 2026-02: Amending Section 4-9-9; Repealing and Replacing Chapter 6 Article III Lawful Gambling of the Edina City Code

9. Commission Correspondence

- 9.1. Advisory Communication: E-Bike Regulation
- 9.2. Advisory Communication: Support Mitigation and Adaptation Solutions Listed in Edina's Extreme Heat Report

10. Manager's Comments

11. Mayor and Council Comments

12. Adjournment



Item Number: 5.1

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Information

Prepared By: Scott Neal, City Manager

Item Title: City Manager's Response to Community Comments

Action Requested:

None, information only.

Information/Background:

[Responses to questions posed during Community Comment at the last meeting were posted on the City's website \(URL\).](#) City Manager Neal will provide summaries of those responses during the meeting.

Supporting Documentation:

None



Item Number: 6.1

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Sharon Allison, City Clerk

Item Title: Minutes: Work Session and Regular, Mar. 17, 2026

Action Requested:

Approve as presented.

Information/Background:

Supporting Documentation:

1. Minutes: Work Session, Mar. 17, 2026
2. Minutes: Regular, Mar. 17, 2026

**MINUTES
OF THE EDINA CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
COMMUNITY ROOM, CITY HALL
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026
5:30 P.M.**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hovland called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2.0 ROLL CALL

Answering roll call were Members Agnew, Pierce, and Mayor Hovland. Members Jackson and Risser were absent.

Staff in attendance: Scott Neal, City Manager; Chad Millner, Public Works Director/City Engineer; Ross Bintner, Engineering Services Manager; Nathan Kaderlik, Public Works Assistant Director-Utilities; Josh Wagner, Utilities; Perry Vetter, Parks & Recreation Director; Michael McBride, General Manager-Liquor Operations; Kersten McManamon, Marketing Manager; Jennifer Bennerotte, Communications Director; Jake Miller, I.T. Specialist; and Sharon Allison, City Clerk.

3.0 MEETING TOPICS

3.1 STATE OF THE UTILITIES

City Manager Neal introduced the State of the Utilities presentation as an educational overview of utility operations beyond typical budget discussions. Public Works Director/City Engineer Chad Millner introduced staff, and Engineering Services Manager Ross Bintner explained the presentation would focus on service levels, revenue trends, and capital investment timing.

Bintner outlined the customer-focused approach to utilities, including service benefits, community engagement, and alignment with the City's mission and values. He described system structure and emphasized utilities as foundational to modern life. He reviewed key trends impacting operations, including rising inflation and construction costs, increased regulatory requirements, flooding impacts, aging infrastructure, climate-related pressures, and declining winter water usage due to efficiency improvements.

Bintner discussed strategies focused on improved data collection, monitoring customer usage, and balancing long-term operational risks. Utility rates were updated in 2022; however, revenue has declined since the pandemic due to usage variability influenced by weather patterns. Bintner noted that most sanitary sewer revenue is passed through to the MetCouncil and highlighted efforts to reduce inflow and infiltration.

In response to Council questions, staff indicated they are not currently forecasting the replacement funding gap but are focused on revenue trends. Millner stated that capital priorities focus on lift stations, with remaining funds allocated as needed. Bintner identified areas requiring upgrades to meet modern standards, including increased pipe capacity for fire flow, noting that Lincoln/Londonderry, a known under-capacity area, were not included in the presentation.

Bintner emphasized that higher rate increases do not necessarily result in higher revenue and highlighted upcoming capital cost pressures. Discussion included the challenge of timing infrastructure replacement with redevelopment and other opportunities and rising project costs. City Manager Neal noted that infrastructure needs are often not visible until failures occur.

Council discussed the value of modeling different rate scenarios and clearly communicating tradeoffs to residents. Bintner expressed a preference for proactive, planned investments over reactive emergency repairs.

3.2. EDINA LIQUOR OPERATIONS UPDATE

City Manager Neal introduced the liquor operations update, noting it would provide a summary of recent performance. Parks and Recreation Director Perry Vetter introduced staff and acknowledged Finance's support.

Liquor Operations General Manager Michael McBride reviewed operational impacts over the past year, particularly construction-related disruptions. He said the Grandview store experienced significant sales declines due to access limitations and a temporary closure, though sales have begun to recover. Additional construction impacts are anticipated in 2026. Similar effects were noted at the Southdale location, while the 50th & France store saw increased sales following nearby project completion.

McBride reported that overall sales trends are improving in 2026 compared to 2025, though broader industry trends show declining alcohol consumption and changing customer preferences, including increased demand for mid-tier products and non-alcoholic beverages. While final 2025 audit results are pending, staff expect a net profit.

McBride described staffing challenges following the pandemic, and efforts to improve retention through increased wages, benefits, and restructuring, which were later scaled back due to changing market conditions and cost pressures. Staffing costs were reduced by approximately \$1 million.

McBride outlined ongoing revenue strategies, including transitioning to third-party delivery services, adjusting inventory to align with consumer trends, monitoring potential impacts of THC regulations, increasing community event participation, rebuilding customer base following construction disruptions, and implementing a loyalty program. Vetter noted the importance of community engagement in demonstrating how liquor revenues support City services.

Council discussion highlighted shifting consumer trends and feedback regarding product assortment. Council suggested further discussion at the task force level. Council also inquired about potential impacts of the proposed social district on the 50th & France location; staff indicated analysis is ongoing, though the proposal is not expected to advance in 2026.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hovland adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Allison, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, April 7, 2026. Audio copy of the work session available.

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
MARCH 17, 2026
7:00 P.M.**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

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

2.0 ROLL CALL

Answering rollcall were Members Agnew, Pierce, and Hovland. Members Jackson and Risser were absent.

3.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4.0 MEETING AGENDA – APPROVED

Member Pierce made a motion, seconded by Member Agnew, approving the meeting agenda.

Ayes: Agnew, Pierce, Hovland. Motion carried.

5.0 COMMUNITY COMMENT

Taylor Bruhschwein urged the Council to pass the e-bike ordinance when it comes back for a vote. Mr. Bruhschwein presented photos of several Edina streets and noted that the roads are not safe for e-bikes; only the sidewalks are.

David Frankel expressed concern about why it took the City so long to fly flags at half-mast when the Governor asks for it.

5.1. CITY MANAGER'S RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY COMMENTS

City Manager Neal responded to Community Comments from current and past meetings.

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA – ADOPTED

Member Pierce made a motion, seconded by Member Agnew, approving the consent agenda as follows:

- 6.1. Approve regular and work session meeting minutes of March 3, 2026**
- 6.2. Approve Claims for Payment for Check Register Pre-List Dated February 27, 2026, totaling \$1,157,627.23, Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated February 28, 2026, totaling \$89,688.26, Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated February 28, 2026, totaling \$850,000.00 (1011), and Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated March 6, 2026, totaling \$4,957,903.71**
- 6.3. Request for Purchase, SeeClickFix Annual Software Renewal, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, CivicPlus at \$27,108.07**
- 6.4. Request for Purchase, Annual CivicPlus Central Software Renewal, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, CivicPlus at \$23,726.25**
- 6.5. Request for Purchase, 2026 Trackless Sidewalk Snow Removal Machine with Accessories, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, MacQueen Equipment at \$247,495**
- 6.6. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-15, approving a Grant Application and Agreement with the Metropolitan Council for Sewer Rehabilitation**
- 6.7. Request for Purchase, Streetlight Removal on York and Parklawn Avenues, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Kilmer Electric at \$36,897.00**

- 6.8. Request for Purchase, Geotechnical Services for 2027 Interlachen Boulevard Street Reconstruction, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Braun Intertec Corp at \$23,750
- 6.9. Request for Purchase, Mill Pond Harvesting, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Lakes Aquatic Weed Removal at \$76,430.00
- 6.10. Request for Purchase, 2026 Stormwater Model Annual Updates and Water Resources Management Plan Support, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Barr Engineering at \$200,000.00
- 6.11. Request for Purchase, 2026 Ford F-600 with Accessories, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Midway Ford/Aspen Equipment at \$219,138
- 6.12. Request for Purchase, Ash Tree Removal and Replacement Grant Additional Plantings, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Hoffman & McNamara Co at \$73,370
- 6.13. Request for Purchase, 2026 Ford F-150 Hybrid, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Midway Ford Company at \$49,001.15
- 6.14. Request for Purchase, two 2026 Ford F-250's, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Midway Ford Company at \$110,411.68
- 6.15. Request for Purchase, 2026 Ford F-450 with Accessories, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Midway Ford/Aspen Equipment at \$109,587.00
- 6.16. Request for Purchase, Professional Services Agreement for Braemar Field Sports Dome Installation and Takedown, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, (141864) Joseph E Johnson & Sons Construction LLC at \$93,350
- 6.17. Request for Purchase, Bi-Directional Radio Amplifiers with ANCOM Communications, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, ANCOM Communications, at \$25,512.00
- 6.18. Request for Purchase, Water Heaters for Braemar Arena, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, (100977) Richfield Plumbing Company at \$43,030.19
- 6.19. Request for Purchase, 2026 Residential & Small Site Review Support Professional Services, awarding the bid to the recommended low bidder, Bolton Menk, at \$65,966
- 6.20. Liquor License Renewals
- 6.21. On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License: RH F&B Minnesota LLC dba RH (Restoration Hardware)

Ayes: Agnew, Pierce, Hovland. Motion carried.

7.0 SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 CITIZEN AWARD PRESENTATION - RECOGNIZED

Police Chief Milburn awarded the Citizen Award to James Parker and Brian Meyers for their heroic efforts in rescuing an unconscious swimmer at the Southdale YMCA, noting that they initiated CPR, applied an AED, and provided rescue breaths.

7.2 RECOGNITION FOR OFFICER OF THE YEAR, FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR, AND PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR - RECOGNIZED

Police Chief Milburn recognized Donna Nelson as Public Safety Employee of the Year, Gaby Doyle as Officer of the Year, and Fire Chief Slama recognized Todd Porthan as Firefighter of the Year and gave an overview of their work and achievements.

8.0 REPORTS / RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 SALE OF PROPERTY AT 5146 EDEN AVENUE TO ARCADIA AVENUE PARTNERS, LLC – ADOPTED

Economic Development Manager Neuendorf presented information on the background of the site, the request for proposal issued in March 2025, the 11 proposals considered, types of projects proposed, evaluation factors, preferred development team, conceptual site plan, benefits and desired outcomes, key terms of the contract, and next steps.

The Council asked questions regarding the flexibility for affordable housing, other land sales the City has done, and requirements for closing to happen. Mr. Neuendorf stated the City does not sell land very often, the contract used was developed with the City Attorney and selling the land was conditioned on the developers building something.

Mr. Neuendorf discussed the phases of the project and noted that they will not know the pace because it depends on market demand, and that going forward, the City's only role will be regulatory.

The Council encouraged a higher level of collaboration along the way to ensure the project can go to completion.

Carl Runck, Monarch Development Partners, stated that his approach as a developer is to follow a collaborative process, as they have done with other cities.

Member Pierce introduced and moved adoption of Resolution No. 2026-16 approving the sale of City property located at 5146 Eden Avenue and approving a contract for private development with Hempel Real Estate and Monarch Partners dba Arcadia Avenue Partners, LLC, and authorizing staff to carry out the terms therein. Ayes: Agnew, Pierce, Hovland. Motion carried.

8.2 BRAEMAR PARK MASTER PLAN PRESENTATION: IMPROVEMENT AT GOLF DOME TRAILHEAD PARKING AND PICKLEBALL – PRESENTED

Park Planner DeVries gave a presentation on the Braemar Park Implementation, Braemar Master Plan highlights, Golf Dome site improvements, parking challenges, parking expansion, pickleball practice facility, concept evolution, maximizing sustainability and recreation, project components, and Braemar Park forestry goals.

The Council asked questions regarding the tree removals and pickleball courts. Mrs. DeVries stated transplants would be very difficult and rubber matting material will be used for the pickleball courts that will be taken up after each season. Council expressed concerns regarding the locations of the pickleball courts and recommended them at the 3rd set of 9 holes at the golf course and DeVries said the golf course was looked at as an option, but they did not find it to be a great placement for golfers and players' safety.

8.3 PURCHASE REQUEST; BRAEMAR PARK MASTERPLAN RECONSTRUCTION TREE CLEARING AND GRUBBING AT BRAEMAR GOLF DOME - APPROVED

Member Pierce made a motion, seconded by Member Agnew, to approve the purchase request for reconstruction tree removal and grubbing at Braemar Park with Castle Rock Contracting and Tree Service LLC, for \$39,420. Ayes: Agnew, Pierce, Hovland. Motion carried.

9.0. COMMISSION CORRESPONDENCE (MINUTES AND ADVISORY COMMUNICATION) – Received

9.1. JOINT ADVISORY COMMUNICATION: WOODDALE AVENUE BIKE LANE PROJECT

10.0 MANAGER'S COMMENTS – Received

10.1 2026 STUDENT COMMISSIONER ANNUAL ONBOARDING UPDATE

11.0 MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS – Received

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Pierce made a motion, seconded by Member Agnew, to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 p.m. Ayes: Agnew, Pierce, Hovland. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Allison, City Clerk

James B. Hovland, Mayor

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, April 7, 2026. Video Copy of March 17, 2026, meeting available.



Item Number: 6.2

Department: Finance

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Pa Thao, Finance Director

Item Title: Payment of Claims

Action Requested:

Approve claims for payment

Information/Background:

For security purposes and to meet [ADA Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(URL\)](#), the detailed claims reports are not included in the public packet but they are available to City Council through a secure Board Portal. To request the claims reports, please [submit a data request \(URL\)](#).

List of Payment Claims:

1. Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated 03.13.2026 Total \$2,069,662.17
2. Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated 03.20.2026 Total \$962,868.14
3. Check Register Claims Pre-List Dated 03.27.2026 Total \$2,125,924.49



Item Number: 6.3

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager

Item Title: Sustainable Building Policy Partial Waiver for Braemar Arena Expansion Project

Action Requested:

Approve Sustainable Building Policy Partial Waiver for Braemar Arena expansion project.

Information/Background:

Edina's Sustainable Building Policy was adopted in 2021 requiring developments that seek financial assistance from the City of Edina or land use incentives, and most City facility projects, be certified under an eligible Sustainable Building Rating System at the listed rating level and meet the Edina Overlay standards. Because Braemar Ice Arena is a City facility and the renovations consist of at least 2,500 square feet, the Sustainable Building Policy applies. The Sustainable Building Policy allows the City Council to grant a waiver, whole or in part, for projects after consideration of the advantages and disadvantages of a waiver.

Waiver Request

The project is requesting a partial waiver, as noted below, to the Sustainable Building Rating System and Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging requirements. The project will follow the other Edina Overlay standards: greenhouse gas emissions modeling; B3 Sustainable Building 2030 Energy Standards (SB2030), and bird-safe glazing.

- Sustainable Building Rating System
 - *Requirement:* LEED Certified Silver
 - *Waiver request:* LEED Certified
- Edina Overlay for Electric Vehicle Charging Capability
 - *Requirement:* 5% of parking stalls must install Level 2 or higher charging stations at the time of construction, and install conduit that allows at least 10% of spaces to install Level 2 or higher charging stations in the future.
 - *Project requirement:* 13 EV-installed and 27 EV-ready spaces, totaling 40 spaces.
 - *Waiver request:* 142 total EV-installed, EV-ready, and future EV spaces, with at least 18 ADA-accessible spaces for electric vehicles. This results in a holistic approach to charging and distributes EV charging opportunities across Braemar Park, which includes four lots servicing the Braemar Arena, Sports Dome and Courtney Fields complex, one lot at Braemar Golf Dome, and two lots at Braemar Golf Course. EV chargers and EV-ready conduit and raceways will be installed during project construction and during future parking lot upgrades across Braemar Park. For EV-ready and EV-future spaces, stations will be strategically installed using data from ChargePoint to understand existing station use and demand to identify areas where additional charging access is needed.

Waiver Recommendation

The unique nature of the project scope, which includes improving the existing building and adding new enclosed spaces, plus the building use type (ice arena) makes sustainable certification difficult. Ice arenas are resource intense buildings that require cooling and refrigeration of ice sheets while also heating the same space for spectator comfort. In addition, the project scope excludes portions of the existing building that don't contribute to LEED scoring, and the project location limits the achievable points for the Location & Transportation Category that are more easily achieved for projects in other areas of Edina. For EV requirements, distributing the availability of EV charging across Braemar Park increases the charging opportunity for all park users rather than focusing EV charging access in one parking lot area without consideration for park areas not impacted by the project.

The project's compliance with SB2030 will ensure efficiency and renewable energy targets are modeled, feasible, and implemented. In addition, other sustainability measures will be included as noted in the project's narrative (e.g., enhanced commissioning, recycling and reusing materials where possible, new stormwater treatment systems, healthy indoor materials, and not expanding the parking lot).

The Sustainability Division recommends the City Council grant a partial waiver as requested. The project team shall provide narrative documentation to the Sustainability Division during project design for the additional point opportunities that could not be achieved (e.g., those marked "maybe" in the LEED Certification Project Checklist). This documentation should include notes on how these changes were evaluated and whether their feasibility has changed for project inclusion. The City's project management team shall work with Edina's Sustainability and Facilities Divisions for EV charging upgrades in other areas of Braemar Park, including charging data analysis and station procurement.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No fiscal or capacity impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

The Sustainable Building Policy aligns with the City's Climate Action Plan and Comprehensive Plan by ensuring new development is more efficient and resilient than otherwise would be built without the policy. New development and redevelopment that goes through this policy supports the Budget Pillars of "Strong Foundation" and "Livable City."



Strong Foundation



Livable City

Values Impact:



Sustainability

Projects that follow the Sustainable Building Policy will be more energy efficient, source renewable energy, conserve water, and incorporate additional sustainable elements than otherwise would be included through building code requirements. The Sustainable Building Policy is a core strategy in the Climate Action Plan to reduce emissions in new construction and major renovations.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. Braemar Arena Sustainable Building Policy Waiver Request

Date: March 24, 2026
To: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager
cc: Mitch Lampe, JLG Architects Sustainability Specialist
From: Perry Vetter, Parks & Recreation Director
Subject: Sustainable Building Policy Waiver Request

The Braemar Ice Arena upgrades and expansion project is requesting a partial waiver to the Sustainable Building Policy for the sustainable rating system and electric vehicle charging requirements. The other Edina Overlay requirements for SB2030 energy efficiency standard, greenhouse gas emission modeling and bird-safe glazing will be followed as directed in the policy.

Waiver Request

Sustainable building rating system:

We propose LEED certified as the required system in place of LEED silver.

Accomplishing a whole-building LEED certification with older, existing infrastructure means having to sacrifice a significant amount of LEED points in areas such as energy efficiency, water use, daylighting, ventilation, and on-site renewable energy coverage. There are over 24 points involving existing portions of the building that are outside of the project scope and are automatically discounted from the possible pool. This is exacerbated by unattainable sustainable sites and location and transportation LEED points (20 of 26) already set in place by the required site and its parking program needs. That leaves only 66 total points possible, some of which not being appropriate for ice arenas. The attainable points left and within the Braemar expansion project scope have been targeted in the LEED project checklist. JLG cannot guarantee USGBC approval and therefore conservatively estimates achievable points.

Points marked within the “maybe” column of the checklist will be pursued with potential of gaining some points, but they are dependent on the project scope and USGBC review. There may be point opportunities to incorporate if value-adds are identified during construction to get near or achieve the 50-point threshold for LEED silver. These points could be covered by contingency but will fluctuate as the project gains more building information in future phases. However, this project has to take into account existing infrastructure that has had many iterations over the years. The unknowns that can be expected to be revealed doing work within existing buildings may require budget to be shifted during construction to address critical issues and failures that could eliminate some of these LEED opportunities. After all the credits were examined, JLG is confident in being able to achieve LEED certified as a baseline and would still strive to achieve LEED silver, if possible.

LEED certified is the only realistic sustainability certification this project can achieve within the limited schedule, scope, and budget that still largely meets the intent of Edina’s sustainable building initiatives.

Edina overlay for electric vehicle charging capability requirement:

This proposal is in place of the required 40 total EV-installed and EV-ready spaces to be installed at the main Braemar Arena parking lot during the project. We propose a total of 144 EV-installed, EV-ready, and future EV-spaces within Braemar Park. At least 18 of these 144 spots will be ADA accessible for

EVs. Installation will be based on demand and in coordination with the Arena Expansion and other current and future Braemar Park projects.

This proposal creates a holistic approach to EV Charging for Braemar Park based on current policy. Currently, seven different parking areas with 1,260 parking stalls exist within the 500-acre park. Four lots servicing the Braemar Arena, Sports Dome and Courtney Fields complex, one lot at Braemar Golf Dome, and two lots at Braemar Golf Course. This approach will distribute charging opportunity amongst the various facility areas to incorporate current charging stations, balance seasonal facility usage demands and visitor patterns, and work within known electrical capacity issues and electrical infrastructure limitations.

The Parks & Recreation Department will work with the Sustainability and Facilities Divisions to monitor the City's ChargePoint Dashboard to track charger utilization. As utilization peaks at the installed stations, future stations will be installed to meet growing demand.

Beyond Certification Systems

This project endeavors to improve the overall sustainability and community use of the Braemar Ice Arena. Due diligence has already been taken to include the initiatives listed below as part of the overall project goals and will be incorporated into the final design, regardless of certification system requirements.

Ice plant equipment updates:

Probably the most prudent and beneficial initiative for this project type will be updates made to all ice production equipment. The replacement of failing infrastructure and renewal of the old will increase the efficiency, reliability, and resiliency of all four rinks in both quality of ice and lowered energy demands.

Enclosure of outdoor rink:

Creating conditioned space for interior ice production rather than battling the outdoor ambient temperature will eliminate heavy energy use that used to be required for the outdoor rink. Reusing the rink slab and overall area also drastically reduces site impacts and concrete created by the project. This means minimal to no plant, animal, or habitat influence from baseline conditions and a large reduction in carbon emissions for construction.

Recycled roofing:

Due to its form and size, the outdoor rink roof structure will not be able to be reused for the new enclosure. However, the high recyclability of steel will allow it to be recycled or salvaged, instead of ending up in the landfill. All steel not used for the creation of the new addition will be diverted from landfills and decrease the project's waste and emissions normally produced by demolition.

Reused retaining wall:

Access to the fourth rink area is limited. Portions of the current retaining wall on site will need to be removed to enable materials and machinery for construction. Materials removed from the existing wall will be reused and integrated within the park.

Stormwater treatment:

Subterranean cisterns will be installed under the current parking lot to improve the quality and quantity of stormwater exiting the site. There are currently no stormwater management systems on site, and this design element will drastically improve the water system above baseline conditions.

Healthy interior materials:

A large majority of this project will require replacement of interior materials and finishes in refresh and major renovation areas. Preference will be given to materials and finishes with existing Health and Environmental Product Declarations, along with other sustainable material metrics such as red list free, Declare labels, Cradle-2-Cradle, bio-based, low VOC, and recycled content.

HVAC updates:

Failing equipment will be replaced throughout the project. Dehumidification will be a focal point and integrating a new system will increase energy efficiency, moisture prevention, and longevity of spaces exposed to continual ice production.

Reduced parking:

No additional parking stalls will be added to the project. This will help reduce future hardscape coverage of the area, stormwater runoff, transportation emissions, and heat island effect created by low albedo of materials.

Bird-safe glazing:

Any glazing added to the building, though minimal, will comply with bird-safe requirements. Efforts will be made to record any bird strikes and measures will be taken to improve conditions if necessary.



Item Number: 6.4

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Jessica Vanderwerff Wilson, Water Resources Coordinator

Item Title: Purchase Request: Lake Herbicide Treatments for Algae

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request ENG 26-1NB lake herbicide treatments for algae by Lake Management Inc for \$20,594.

Requisition Number: 12600105

Vendor: Lake Management Inc

Equipment Status: N/A

Funding Source: Stormwater Utility Fund

Cost: \$20,594

Information/Background:

The City of Edina provides aquatic vegetation management for lakes and ponds at the request of residents, according to the Lake & Pond Management Policy. The Engineering Division requested quotes for the herbicidal treatment of algae for several waterbodies, as well as DNR permitting and resident communication. Two responses to the request for quotes were received. Staff recommends awarding the contract to Lake Management Inc.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No additional fiscal or operational impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

Service improves the aesthetics of lakes and ponds. Aquatic vegetation management is guided by the Lake & Pond policy of the Water Resources Management Plan.



Reliable Service



Better Together

Values Impact:



Engagement

Services are driven by resident input, guided by Lake & Ponds policy.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. ENG 26-INB-Algae Contract (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.5

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Jessica Vanderwerff Wilson, Water Resources Coordinator

Item Title: Purchase Request: Stormwater Assets Inspections 2026

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request for stormwater infrastructure asset inspection with Barr Engineering for \$127,000.

Requisition Number: 12600106

Vendor: Barr Engineering

Equipment Status: N/A

Funding Source: Stormwater Utility Fund

Cost: \$127,000.00

Information/Background:

The City's Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) defines and describes stormwater infrastructure asset management. The purpose of the structural stormwater infrastructure asset inspection program is to prevent or reduce the discharge of pollutants in stormwater. Further, this program meets the inventory and inspection requirements of the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit issued by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No additional fiscal impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

Water Resources Management Plan and Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit



Strong Foundation

Values Impact:



Stewardship

Proactive asset management ensures long-term value.



Sustainability

Stormwater infrastructure supports flood protection and clean water.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. Stormwater Assets Inspection Proposal (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.6

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Nathan Kaderlik, Assistant Director-Utilities

Item Title: Purchase Request: Sanitary and Storm Sewer Manhole Lining

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request of sanitary and storm sewer manhole lining with Underground Utility Specialties for \$75,000.

Requisition Number: 12600095

Vendor: Underground Utility Specialists

Equipment Status: NA

Funding Source: Storm Water and Sanitary Sewer Utility Funds

Cost: \$75,000.00

Information/Background:

This purchase is for the installation of Flex-Seal Utility sealant on sanitary and storm sewer manhole/catch basins to protect the concrete rings to prolong the life of the structure.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No additional fiscal or operational impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:



Strong Foundation



Reliable Service

Values Impact:



Stewardship

Provides long-term value to our city streets and assets.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Item Number: 6.7

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Matthew Gabb, Sustainability Specialist

Item Title: Resolution 2026-18: Authorizing Community Tree Planting Grant Agreement

Action Requested:

Approve Resolution 2026-18 authorizing the City Manager to sign the grant agreement with the MN Department of Natural Resources on the City's behalf.

Information/Background:

In 2020, the City completed a grant-funded public lands tree inventory that identified 2,000 ash trees in need of replacement due to emerald ash borer making them a public safety hazard. Last year, the City used this inventory to remove 290 of the most dangerous ash trees with funding from DNR's Shade Tree Bonding Grant program (STBG). This year, those trees will be replaced by 580 diverse and climate-adaptive trees. This Community Tree Planting Grant (CTPG) from DNR will allow the City to expand the scale of this successful initiative by removing a further 107 hazardous ash trees, and replacing them with 137 trees.

This second grant will allow the Forestry Division to continue building a roadmap to holistically address the issues of EAB while securing the safety of people, buildings, and infrastructure near these dangerous trees. The tree replanting strategy for both is modeled on the City's 2021-2023 ARPA-funded NextGen Trees Initiative, which planted more than 1,000 climate-adaptive trees at affordable housing properties and on public lands. Of the 137 trees proposed to be planted, 107 of those will, per grant requirements, be planted at or near the sites of the 107 removed hazardous ash trees. The locations of the remaining 30 trees will be determined once the plantings funded by STBG are complete in the coming months, but will all be in DNR-identified priority areas in southeast Edina that currently have the least tree canopy. Combined, these grant-funded efforts will not only remove the 20% most dangerous ash trees, but will continue the diversification of Edina's tree canopy.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

These grant funds will temporarily increase the financial capacity of the Forestry Division.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

Edina's tree canopy is one of its largest pieces of physical infrastructure, and this grant will improve our ability to maintain it in the face of both emerald ash borer and climate change by significantly diversifying the species in it. It also allows the City to more rapidly remove hazardous, damaged ash trees, improving the service levels of the Forestry Division by providing much-needed fiscal and time capacity. And finally, by expanding the tree canopy in areas that are currently lacking trees in southeast Edina, it allows for more walkable, cooler spaces in the hottest days of Minnesota's ever-hotter summers.

In addition to aligning with these Budget Pillars, this grant helps achieve multiple actions in the



Strong Foundation



Reliable Service



Livable City

Values Impact:



Engagement

The Forestry Division knows from the NextGen Trees initiative, which partnered with affordable housing properties in Edina to plant trees and equip residents to care for them, that most of the trees near affordable housing are dead or dying ash trees. The Community Tree Planting Grant will build on the learnings and relationships from NextGen Trees to address ash tree removal and replacement in these priority areas in collaboration with residents.



Equity

The Community Tree Planting Grants program is an opportunity to fundamentally shift Edina's urban tree care to lead with a climate justice lens. DNR's UCF program identifies two priority areas in southeast Edina. These census block groups have higher populations of low-income households and people of color. They are also within census tracts also identified by the US Department of Energy as Disadvantaged Communities because they have a higher proportion of households who are "energy burdened" (meaning they spend more of their income on heating, cooling, and other home energy costs than other households) and higher proportion of elderly, disabled, and renter household populations than the national average. Not by coincidence, according to American Forests' Tree Equity Score, these and the surrounding tracts have the largest tree canopy gap and surface heat disparity in Edina. This means they have an insufficient tree canopy (with one block group's being as low as 9%) and are up to 10 degrees hotter in the summer than the Twin Cities' regional average. Lowering surface temperatures through an expanded tree canopy is a proven way to reduce energy burdens and costs.



Health

Edina's tree canopy is a vital piece of public health and climate resilience infrastructure. This project will prioritize environmental justice communities and areas with low tree cover to create a more robust, equitable, and resilient urban tree canopy. In 2021, Edina completed a Climate Vulnerability Assessment, which identified areas of Edina with residents most vulnerable to climate change and heatwave-induced deaths. Unsurprisingly, Edina's lowest-income neighborhoods suffer from low tree cover and a high proportion of hazardous ash trees in adjacent public land. These funds will help to remedy this injustice and move from reactive to proactive forestry management while cooling what are currently the hottest parts of Edina.



Stewardship

This grant will fund the hiring of a contractor for the tree removals and replacements, giving the Forestry Division back some of its time capacity without costing the City any money.



Sustainability

Edina's current tree canopy thrives in a climate that is rapidly disappearing from the Twin Cities. Both the current STBG and this CTPG projects focus on planting adaptive trees such as Kentucky coffeetree and Ohio buckeye, among many others. These DNR- and Hennepin County-approved species may not currently be native to Minnesota, but they thrive in Minnesota's coming climate that is marked by shorter, warmer winters and wetter, hotter summers. By diversifying and adapting Edina's trees now, the canopy will be far more resilient in the coming decades, making it more robust and able to withstand our ever-more-volatile climate.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. Grant Contract Agreement



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Resolution 2026-18: Authorizing Community Tree Planting Grant Agreement

Whereas the City of Edina has applied for and received a grant from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources under the Community Tree Planting Grant program in the amount of \$208,450 to replace 107 hazardous ash trees on public land with 137 diverse and climate-adaptive tree species, making Edina's tree canopy safer for the public and more resilient to changes in Minnesota's climate,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Edina City Council hereby accepts the grant agreement and authorizes the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

Dated: April 7, 2026



This Grant Contract Agreement is between the State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155 ("State") and City of Edina, 801 W 50th Street, Edina, MN 55424. ("Grantee").

Recitals

Under Minnesota Statutes §84.026, §84.085, Subd. 1, §84.705 and MN Session Laws - 2025, 1st Special Session, Chapter 1, Article 1, Section 3, Subdivision 4 (h) the State is empowered to enter into this Grant Contract Agreement. The State is in need of establishing a more diverse community forests, better able to withstand disease and forest pests throughout the state. The Grantee represents that it is duly qualified and agrees to perform all services described in this Grant Contract Agreement to the satisfaction of the State.

Grant Contract Agreement

1 Term of Grant Contract Agreement

1.1 Effective Date. March 25, 2026, or the date the State obtains all required signatures, whichever is later.

Per [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98, Subd. 5](#), the Grantee must not begin work until this Grant Contract Agreement is fully executed and the State's Authorized Representative has notified the Grantee that work may commence.

Per [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98 Subd. 7](#), no payments will be made to the Grantee until this Grant Contract Agreement is fully executed.

1.2 Expiration Date.

- A. June 30, 2027, or, in the event this Grant Contract Agreement is continued by way of amendment or new agreement, the date the amendment or new agreement is fully executed, whichever is later. In the event an amendment or new agreement is not fully executed within 60 calendar days of the stated expiration date, this grant agreement will expire on August 30, 2027.

1.3 Survival of Terms. The following clauses survive the expiration or cancellation of this Grant Contract Agreement: Liability; State Audits; Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property; Publicity and Endorsement; Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue; and Data Disclosure.

2 Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work

- The parties will perform the services outlined in Exhibit A: Grant Project Deliverables.
- The Grantee will comply with the required grants management policies and procedures set forth through Minn. Stat. §16B.97, subd 4 (a)(1), and M.L. 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 1

- The Grantee agrees to complete the program in accordance with the approved budget to the extent practicable and within the program period specified in the grant contract agreement. Any material change in the grant contract agreement shall require an amendment by the State (see Section 9.2).
- The grantee shall be responsible for the administration supervision, management, record keeping, and program oversight required for the work performed under this agreement. The Grantee is responsible for maintaining an adequate conflict of interest policy. Throughout the term of this agreement, the Grantee shall monitor and report any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest to the State's Authorized Representative. The Grantee must sign and return Attachment C, Conflict of Interest Disclosure, when countersigning this agreement.

3 Time

The Grantee must comply with all the time requirements described in this Grant Contract Agreement. In the performance of this Grant Contract Agreement, time is of the essence and failure to meet a deadline date may be a basis for a determination by the State's Authorized Representative that the Grantee has not complied with the terms of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee is required to perform all the duties cited within clause two "Specifications, Duties, and Scope of Work" within the grant period. The State is not obligated to extend the grant period.

4 Consideration and Terms of Payment

The consideration for all services performed by the Grantee pursuant to this Grant Contract Agreement shall be paid by the State as follows:

- 4.1 Compensation.** The total obligation of the State under this Grant Contract Agreement, including all compensation and reimbursements, is not to exceed \$208,450.00, which shall be paid in accordance with the terms outlined in Exhibit A: Grant Project Deliverables, which is attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement.
- 4.2 Administrative Costs.** Grantee administrative costs must be necessary and reasonable.
- 4.3 Travel Expenses.** Reimbursement for travel and subsistence expenses actually and necessarily incurred by the Grantee because of this Grant Contract Agreement will not exceed \$0.00. The Grantee will not be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses incurred outside Minnesota unless it has received the State's prior written approval for out of state travel. Minnesota will be considered the home state for determining whether travel is out of state.
- The Grantee will be reimbursed for travel and subsistence expenses in the same manner and in no greater amount than provided in the current Commissioner's Plan promulgated by the Commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget.
- 4.4 Invoices.** Payments shall be made by the State after the Grantee's presentation of invoices for services satisfactorily performed and the written acceptance of such services by the State's Authorized Representative. Invoices shall be submitted timely, with additional details as requested by the State, and according to the following schedule in Exhibit A: Grant Project Deliverables
- 4.5 Unexpended Funds.** The Grantee must promptly return to the State any unexpended funds that have not been accounted for in a financial report to the State.

5 Conditions of Payment

All services provided by the Grantee under this Grant Contract Agreement must be performed to the State's satisfaction, as determined at the sole discretion of the State's Authorized Representative and in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations. The Grantee will not receive payment for work found by the State to be unsatisfactory or performed in violation of federal, state, or local law.

6 Contracting and Bidding Requirements

The Grantee is required to comply with [Minnesota Statutes § 471.345, Uniform Municipal Contracting Law](#).

- 6.1 The Grantee and any subrecipients must comply with prevailing wage rules per [Minnesota Statutes §§ 177.41 through 177.50](#), as applicable.
- 6.2 The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government: [Suspended and Debarred Vendors, Minnesota Office of State Procurement](#).
- 6.3 The Grantee must maintain written standards of conduct covering conflicts of interest and governing the actions of its employees engaged in the selection, award and administration of contracts.

7 Authorized Representatives

- 7.1 The State's Authorized Representative is Rachael Dvoracek, MN DNR Forestry, 500 Lafayette Road, St Paul MN 55155, 651-396-0031, rachael.dvoracek@state.mn.us, or their successor, and has the responsibility to monitor the Grantee's performance and the authority to accept the services provided under this Grant Contract Agreement. If the services are satisfactory, the State's Authorized Representative will certify acceptance on each invoice submitted for payment.
- 7.2 The Grantee's Authorized Representative is Matthew Gabb, Sustainability Specialist mgabb@edinamn.gov, 952-826-1611 or their successor. If the Grantee's Authorized Representative changes at any time during this Grant Contract Agreement, the Grantee must immediately notify the state.
- 7.3 The Grantee must clearly post on the Grantee's website the names of, and contact information for, the Grantee's leadership and the employee or other person who directly manages and oversees this Grant Contract Agreement on behalf of the Grantee.

8 Assignment, Amendments, Waiver, and Contract Complete

- 8.1 **Assignment.** The Grantee may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement without the prior consent of the State and a fully executed agreement, executed and approved by the authorized parties or their successors.
- 8.2 **Amendments.** Any amendment to this Grant Contract Agreement must be in writing and will not be effective until it has been executed and approved by the same parties who executed and approved the original Grant Contract Agreement or their successors.
- 8.3 **Waiver.** If the State fails to enforce any provision of this Grant Contract Agreement, that failure does not waive the provision or its right to enforce it.

8.4 Contract Complete. This Grant Contract Agreement contains all negotiations and agreements between the State and the Grantee. No other understanding regarding this Grant Contract Agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party.

9 Subcontracting and Subcontract Payment

- 9.1** A subrecipient is a person or entity that has been awarded a portion of the work authorized by this Grant Contract Agreement by Grantee. The Grantee must document any subaward through a formal legal agreement. The Grantee must provide timely notice to the State of any subrecipient(s) prior to the subrecipient(s) performing work under this Grant Contract Agreement.
- 9.2** The Grantee must monitor the activities of the subrecipient(s) to ensure the subaward is used for authorized purposes; is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the subaward, [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.97, Subd. 4 \(a\) \(1\)](#) and other relevant statutes and regulations; and that subaward performance goals are achieved.
- 9.3** During this Grant Contract Agreement, if a subrecipient is determined to be performing unsatisfactorily by the State's Authorized Representative, the Grantee will receive written notification that the subrecipient can no longer be used for this Grant Contract Agreement.
- 9.4** No subagreement shall serve to terminate or in any way affect the primary legal responsibility of the Grantee for timely and satisfactory performances of the obligations contemplated by the Grant Contract Agreement.
- 9.5** The Grantee must pay any subrecipient in accordance with [Minnesota Statutes § 16A.1245](#).
- 9.6** The Grantee and any subrecipients must not contract with vendors who are suspended or debarred by the State of Minnesota or the federal government.

10 Liability

The Grantee must indemnify, save, and hold the State, its agents, and employees harmless from any claims or causes of action, including attorney's fees incurred by the State, arising from performance of this Grant Contract Agreement by the Grantee or the Grantee's agents or employees. This clause will not be construed to bar any legal remedies the Grantee may have for the State's failure to fulfill its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement.

11 State Audits

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 16B.98, Subd. 8](#), the Grantee's books, records, documents, and accounting procedures and practices relevant to this Grant Contract Agreement are subject to examination by the Commissioner of Administration, the State granting agency, the State Auditor, the Attorney General, and the Legislative Auditor, as appropriate, for a minimum of six years from the expiration or termination of this Grant Contract Agreement, receipt and approval of all final reports, or the required period of time to satisfy all State and program retention requirements, whichever is later.

12 Government Data Practices and Intellectual Property Rights

- 12.1 Government Data Practices.** The Grantee and State must comply with the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, [Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13](#), as it applies to all data provided by the State under this grant contract, and as it applies to all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by the Grantee under this grant contract. The civil remedies of [Minnesota Statutes § 13.08](#) apply to the release of the data referred to in this clause by either the Grantee or the State.

If the Grantee receives a request to release the data referred to in this Clause, the Grantee must immediately notify the State. The State will give the Grantee instructions concerning the release of the data to the requesting party before the data is released. The Grantee's response to the request shall comply with applicable law.

12.2 Intellectual Property Rights.

- A. **Intellectual Property Rights.** The State owns all rights, title, and interest in all of the intellectual property rights, including copyrights, patents, trade secrets, trademarks, and service marks in the Works and Documents created and paid for under this grant contract agreement. Works means all inventions, improvements, discoveries (whether or not patentable), databases, computer programs, reports, notes, studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings, specifications, materials, tapes, and disks conceived, reduced to practice, created or originated by the Grantee, its employees, agents, and subcontractors, either individually or jointly with others in the performance of this grant contract agreement. Works includes "Documents." Documents are the originals of any databases, computer programs, reports, notes, studies, photographs, negatives, designs, drawings, specifications, materials, tapes, disks, or other materials, whether in tangible or electronic forms, prepared by the Grantee, its employees, agents, or subcontractors, in the performance of this grant contract agreement. The Documents will be the exclusive property of the State, and all such Documents must be immediately returned to the State by the Grantee upon completion or cancellation of this grant contract agreement. To the extent possible, those Works eligible for copyright protection under the United States Copyright Act will be deemed to be "works made for hire." The Grantee assigns all right, title, and interest it may have in the Works and the Documents to the State. The Grantee must, at the request of the State, execute all papers and perform all other acts necessary to transfer or record the State's ownership interest in the Works and Documents.

The federal awarding agency may receive royalty-free, non-exclusive and an irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the work for Federal purposes, and to authorize others to do so as noted in 2 CFR 200.315.

B. Obligations.

- i. **Notification.** Whenever any invention, improvement, or discovery (whether or not patentable) is made or conceived for the first time or actually or constructively reduced to practice by the Grantee, including its employees and subcontractors, in the performance of this contract, the Grantee will immediately give the State's Authorized Representative written notice thereof, and must promptly furnish the Authorized Representative with complete information and/or disclosure thereon.
- ii. **Representation.** The Grantee must perform all acts, and take all steps necessary to ensure that all intellectual property rights in the Works and Documents are the sole property of the State, and that neither Grantee nor its employees, agents, or subcontractors retain any interest in and to the Works and Documents. The Grantee represents and warrants that the Works and Documents do not and will not infringe upon any intellectual property rights of other persons or entities. Notwithstanding Clause 9, the Grantee will indemnify; defend, to the extent permitted by the Attorney General; and hold harmless the State, at the Grantee's expense, from any action or claim brought against the State to the extent that it is based on a claim that all or part of the Works or Documents infringe upon the intellectual property rights of others. The Grantee will be responsible for payment of any and all such claims, demands, obligations, liabilities, costs, and damages, including but not limited to, attorney fees. If such a claim or action arises, or in the Grantee's or the State's opinion is likely to arise, the Grantee must, at the State's discretion, either procure for the State the right or license to use the intellectual property rights at issue or replace or modify the allegedly infringing Works or Documents as necessary and appropriate to obviate the infringement claim. This remedy of the State will be in addition to and not exclusive of other remedies provided by law.

13 Workers Compensation

The Grantee certifies that it is in compliance with [Minnesota Statutes § 176.181, Subd. 2](#), pertaining to workers' compensation insurance coverage. The Grantee's employees and agents will not be considered State employees. Any claims that may arise under the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Act on behalf of these employees and any claims made by any third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of these employees are in no way the State's obligation or responsibility.

14 Governing Law, Jurisdiction, Venue

Venue for all legal proceedings out of this Grant Contract Agreement, or its breach, must be in the appropriate state or federal court with competent jurisdiction in Ramsey County, Minnesota.

15 Termination

15.1 Termination by the State.

A. Without Cause.

The State may terminate this Grant Contract Agreement without cause, upon 30 days' written notice to the Grantee. Upon termination, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed.

B. With Cause.

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if the State finds that there has been a failure to comply with the provisions of this grant contract, that reasonable progress has not been made, or that the purposes for which the funds were granted have not been or will not be fulfilled. The State may take action to protect the interests of the State of Minnesota, including the refusal to disburse additional funds and requiring the return of all or part of the funds already disbursed.

15.2 Termination by the Commissioner of Administration.

The Commissioner of Administration may immediately and unilaterally terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if further performance under the agreement would not serve agency purposes or performance under the Grant Contract Agreement is not in the best interest of the State.

15.3 Termination for Insufficient Funding.

The State may immediately terminate this Grant Contract Agreement if it does not obtain funding from the Minnesota Legislature, or other funding source; or if funding cannot be continued at a level sufficient to allow for the payment of the services addressed within this Grant Contract Agreement. Termination must be by written notice to the Grantee. The State is not obligated to pay for any services that are provided after notice and effective date of termination. However, the Grantee will be entitled to payment, determined on a pro rata basis, for services satisfactorily performed to the extent that dedicated funds are available.

In the event of temporary lack of funding or appropriation, the State may pause its obligations under this Grant Contract Agreement without terminating it. This pause will be for the duration of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall not be considered a termination of the Grant Contract Agreement. The Grantee will be notified in writing of the temporary pause, and the Grantee's ability to provide services may be temporarily suspended during this period. The State will provide reasonable notice to the Grantee of the lack of funding or appropriation and shall notify the Grantee once funding is restored or appropriated, at which point the provision of services under the Grant Contract Agreement may resume.

The State will not be assessed any penalty if the Grant Contract Agreement is terminated due to insufficient funding. The State must provide the Grantee notice of the lack of funding within a reasonable time of the State's receiving notice.

16 Publicity and Endorsement

16.1 Publicity. Any publicity pertaining to the services resulting from this Grant Contract Agreement shall identify the State as the sponsoring agency. Publicity includes, but is not limited to: websites, social media platforms, notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs, and similar public notices prepared by or for the Grantee or its employees individually or jointly with others or any subcontractors. All projects primarily funded by state grant appropriations must publicly credit the State, including on the grantee's website, when practicable.

16.2 Endorsement. The Grantee must not claim that the State endorses its products or services.

16.3 Signage. Any site funded by this grant contract shall display a sign at a prominent location at the entrance to the site and in a form approved by the State that acknowledges funding through this grant.

17 Data Disclosure

Under [Minnesota Statutes § 270C.65](#), Subd. 3, and other applicable law, the Grantee consents to disclosure of its social security number, federal employer tax identification number, and/or Minnesota tax identification number, already provided to the State, to federal and state tax agencies and state personnel involved in the payment of state obligations. These identification numbers may be used in the enforcement of federal and state tax laws which could result in action requiring the Grantee to file state tax returns and pay delinquent state tax liabilities, if any.

18 Use of Funds as Match to Other Grants or Programs. The Grantee must inform the State's Authorized Representative whenever the grant funds will be used as match or for reimbursement for any other grant or program.

18.1 The Grantee must inform the State's Authorized Representative or their grant specialist of the following information: grant program, grant name, the amount of grant or match funds to be used, location where funds were or will be used, activity the funds will support, and current landowner (if applicable).

18.2 The Grantee must also inform the State's Authorized Representative before work begins if the new grant or program will add any encumbrances to state land where grant or match funds will be spent.

19 Americans With Disabilities Act. The Grantee must comply with the 2010 American Disabilities Act Standards for Accessible Design.

20 Non-Discrimination Requirements. No person in the United States must, on the ground of race, color, national origin, handicap, age, religion, or sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under, any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance. Including but not limited to:

20.1 Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.) and DOC implementing regulations published at 15 C.F.R. Part 8 prohibiting discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex under Federally assisted education programs or activities.

20.2 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), and DOC implementing regulations published at 15 C.F.R. Part 8b prohibiting discrimination on the basis of handicap under any program or activity receiving or benefiting from Federal assistance.

20.3 The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), and DOC implementing regulations published at 15 C.F.R. Part 20 prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance.

20.4 Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in services, programs, and activities of public entities.

20.5 Any other applicable non-discrimination law(s).

21 Reporting Requirements

The Grantee is bound to reporting requirements in Minn. Stat. §116P, M.L. 2025, First Special Session, Chapter 1, Attachment A, as well as Attachments D, E and F (if applicable).

For non ENRTF: "Provide a progress report to the State's Authorized Representative in a format provided by the State with the final invoice. The report will describe (insert appropriate information to meet policy requirements)"

22 Invasive Species Prevention.

Grantees must follow Minnesota DNR's Operational Order 113, which requires preventing or limiting the introduction, establishment and spread of invasive species during activities on public waters and DNR-administered lands. This applies to all activities performed on all lands under this grant contract agreement and is not limited to lands under DNR control or public waters. Duties are listed under Sections II and III (p. 5-8) of Operational Order 113 which may be found here: [Link to Operational Order 113](http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/assistance/grants/habitat/heritage/oporder_113.pdf) (http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/assistance/grants/habitat/heritage/oporder_113.pdf)

23 Pollinator Best Management Practices.

Habitat restorations and enhancements conducted on DNR lands and prairie restorations on state lands or on any lands using state funds are subject to pollinator best management practices and habitat restoration guidelines pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 84.973. Practices and guidelines ensure an appropriate diversity of native species to provide habitat for pollinators through the growing season. Current specific practices and guidelines to be followed for contract and grant work can be found here: [Link to Specific Pollinator Best Management Practices for DNR Grants and Contracts](http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/natural_resources/npc/bmp_contract_language.pdf) (http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/natural_resources/npc/bmp_contract_language.pdf).

24 Monitoring.

The state shall be allowed at any time to conduct periodic site visits and inspections to ensure work progress in accordance with this grant agreement, including a final inspection upon program completion. At least one monitoring visit per grant period on all state grants of over \$50,000 will be conducted and at least annual monitoring visits on grants of over \$250,000.

Following closure of the program, the State's authorized representatives shall be allowed to conduct post-completion inspections of the site to ensure that the site is being properly operated and maintained, and that no conversion of use has occurred.

25 Minnesota Historical Sites Act and Minnesota Field Archaeology Act

For projects involving land acquisition and/or construction, the State Historic Preservation Office must review the project to determine if the site is a potential location for historical or archeological findings. If the State Historic Preservation Office determines that a survey is required, the survey would need to be completed, review and approved prior to any site disturbance for development projects and prior to the final reimbursement of the grant funds for acquisition projects.

Exhibits

The following Exhibits are attached and incorporated into this Grant Contract Agreement. In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Grant Contract Agreement and its Exhibits, or between Exhibits, the order of precedence is first the Grant Contract Agreement, and then in the following order:

Exhibit A: Grant Project Deliverables

Exhibit B: Requirements for DNR Grantees

Exhibit C: Conflict of Interest Statement

Grant Contract Agreement Signature Page

State Encumbrance Verification

Individual certifies that funds have been encumbered as required by Minnesota Statutes §§ 16A.15

Print Name: Donna Edelman _____

Signature: _____

Title: Grants and Contract Specialist Date: _____

SWIFT Contract No. 286375 / 3-295477 _____

State Agency

With delegated authority

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Grantee

With delegated authority

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____



Item Number: 6.8

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Chad Millner, Director of Public Works and City Engineer

Item Title: Purchase Request: York Pond Storm Water Improvements

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request for York Pond storm water improvements with Boulder Creek, Inc. for \$832,865.

Requisition Number: 12600102

Vendor: Boulder Creek Inc.

Equipment Status: NA

Funding Source: Storm Water Utility and MPCA Resiliency Grant

Cost: \$832,865

Information/Background:

The existing pond is a known flooding area, has had sediment buildup, and has two pump stations that are nearing the end of their useful life and need replacement. The improved York Avenue Pond would have flood mitigation benefits as well as water quality improvements achieved by:

- Replacing the pump stations with one combined pump station
- Providing pre-event drawdown capabilities through implementation of an adaptive level control system (ALCS) to allow for predictive pumping of the pond to create additional flood storage prior to forecasted rainfall events
- Increasing the pond capacity through sediment removal

Resources/Financial Impacts:

The storm water utility and a MPCA resiliency grant will fund this project. The grant will reimburse costs associated with design and construction up to \$1,118,421.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

This project aligns with the Comprehensive Plan, Water Resources Management Plan and Climate Action Plan.



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Values Impact:



Stewardship

Replacing aging infrastructure at the appropriate time is sound asset management practice.



Supporting Documentation:

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1. ENG 26-4 Contract BoulderCreek – York Pond (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.9

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Aaron Ditzler, Assistant City Engineer

Item Title: Purchase Request: Prospect Knolls A, C & D and Parklawn Court Neighborhood Roadway Reconstruction

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request for Prospect Knolls A, C & D and Parklawn Court neighborhood roadway reconstruction with McNamara Contracting for \$9,999,999.25.

Requisition Number: 12600099

Vendor: McNamara Contracting

Equipment Status: N/A

Funding Source: special assessments, property taxes, water utility, sanitary utility, storm utility and the Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety (PACS) fund

Cost: \$9,999,999.25

Information/Background:

The project involves reconstruction of 3.25 miles of local streets, the replacement of existing concrete curb and gutter, replacement of asphalt and concrete streets with asphalt, construction of new concrete sidewalk on Parklawn Court, and localized rehabilitation of the sanitary sewer, watermain and storm sewer systems in the neighborhood.

The project area includes West 70th Street, Antrim Court, Antrim Road, Antrim Terrace, Down Road, Dublin Circle, Dublin Road, Fleetwood Drive, Kemrich Drive, Kerry Road, Lanham Lane, Lee Valley Circle, Lee Valley Road, Parklawn Court, Shannon Drive, Tara Road, Tralee Drive, Village Drive, Weston Circle and Wexford Road.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

The improvements are listed in the 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) under CIP numbers CIP 19-308, CIP 19-309, ENG23001, ENG25074

The improvements will be funded by special assessments, property taxes, water utility, sanitary sewer utility, storm sewer utility, and the Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety (PACS) fund.

The preliminary roadway assessments per residential equivalent unit (REU) approved at the December 2025 public hearing ranged between \$3,400 and \$19,000 per assessment district. The estimated roadway assessments per REU with the low bid are anticipated to be slightly under the December 2025 values.

Public Works will maintain the infrastructure following the warranty period.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

This project aligns with the Comprehensive Plan, Pedestrian & Bicycle Master Plan, Water Resources Management Plan and Climate Action Plan and is included in the Capital Improvement Plan.



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Supporting Documentation:

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1. ENG 26-2 Contract (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.10

Department: Parks & Recreation

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Rachel DeVries, Park Planner

Item Title: Purchase Request: Fred Richards Park Preconstruction Tree Removals

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request for Fred Richards Park preconstruction tree removals with Hoffman Unihorn Construction Inc for \$162,076.

Requisition Number: 12500087

Vendor: Hoffman Unihorn Construction

Equipment Status: New

Funding Source: LOST Capital

Cost: \$162,076.00

Information/Background:

Fred Richards Park Master Plan Implementation includes the construction of the vision created in 2016 with input from the community and approval from City Council. This plan involved the creation of an eco-park that enhances natural resources and creates new recreational opportunities for the community. This portion of the project is reconstruction tree removals. Tree removals were identified during the planning process and include removals of those required for ecological infrastructure and recreational infrastructure enhancements. Trees are being preserved where possible and materials from trees are being repurposed into site furnishings and enhancements. Tree cutting has a preconstruction timeline in order to protect and preserve MN species and reduce potential breeding habitat disruption.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

Voters approved a sales tax referendum Nov. 8, 2022, that allowed the investment of \$39.3 million in Parks & Recreation improvements; of that \$17.7 million is designated for Fred Richards Park to fund the next phases of the master plan. Construction Manager at Risk is being used for procurement.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:



Strong Foundation



Reliable Service



Livable City



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Values Impact:



Engagement

The project was engaged in 2016 to identify community needs through outreach. Concepts were presented in 2024 for comments and feedback.



Equity

The project will examine accessibility and needs of regional users as well as community surrounding the site. Barriers will be removed to create a welcoming and high functioning space for all to enjoy. Architectural design will be people-centered and reflect the needs of all users.



Health

Designs and layouts will promote physical and mental health. Accessible connections to nature will be incorporated.



Stewardship

Designs will reflect city standards and needs for long term sustainability and support. Strategic renovation and re-purposing will allow for budget maximization as well as impact.



Sustainability

Facilities will be designed to reflect the Park goals and support City's sustainability goals. SITES and LEED will be pursued with this project.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. Fred Richards Preconstruction Tree Removal Summary (Board Portal)
2. Change Order Agreement (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.11

Department: Parks & Recreation

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Rachel DeVries, Park Planner

Item Title: Purchase Request: Fred Richards Park Design and Engineering Construction Administration

Action Requested:

Approve Purchase request for construction administration services at Fred Richards Park with Confluence for \$346,000.

Requisition Number: 2023-12300089

Vendor: Confluence

Equipment Status: New

Funding Source: LOST Capital

Cost: \$346,000

Information/Background:

Fred Richards Park, 4400 Parklawn Ave., is being created from the former Fred Richards Executive Golf Course based upon the adopted master plan. The 43-acre site will become a multi-use park for a variety of year-round activities and a variety of amenities that can help residents reconnect with nature and each other. The Park will consist of three key areas, the Central Green, Wetland Preserve, and recreational Hubs. The Central Green will be home to active programming including, courts, park building/trailhead, stage and pavilion, destination playground, gathering spaces, trails and parking. The wetland preserve will enhance wetlands and natural areas, add native vegetation, landform, nature play nodes, wildlife habitat and structures, trails, seating, interpretive and educational opportunities. Other multi-use great lawn for recreation and gathering spaces and trail are located on the east side. The Confluence Team who designed and engineered the plans made up of Landscape Architects, Business Planners, Engineers, and Programming specialists will continue to help the City of Edina during construction. This professional team will ensure quality and design vision are made a reality.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

Voters approved a local option sales tax referendum Nov. 8, 2022, that allowed the investment in Parks & Recreation improvements; of that \$17.7 million is designated for Fred Richards Park to fund the next phases of the master plan.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:



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Reliable Service



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Better Together

Values Impact:



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Supporting Documentation:

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1. Fred Richards Park Construction Admin Agreement (Board Portal)



Item Number: 6.12

Department: IT

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Ryan Browning, IT Director

Item Title: Purchase Request: Network Storage Replacement

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request for network storage replacement from LOGIS (Insight) for \$313,917.17.

Requisition Number: 12600100

Vendor: LOGIS

Equipment Status: Replacement

Funding Source: CIP Equipment Replacement

Cost: \$313,917.17

Information/Background:

This request funds the replacement of the City's existing storage infrastructure, which has reached end-of-life. The proposed solution includes a redundant storage array to support core systems. These systems require highly available, resilient infrastructure to ensure uninterrupted service delivery and data integrity.

The new storage platform will provide significant improvements in performance, redundancy, and system monitoring, reducing the risk of downtime and data loss while improving application responsiveness. Enhanced fault tolerance and real-time alerting will strengthen the City's ability to proactively manage and protect its data. This investment ensures continuity of essential services, supports future growth, and aligns with best practices for maintaining secure and reliable municipal IT infrastructure.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

This replacement is within budget and will be paid for with Equipment Replacement funds. There are no additional fiscal or operational impacts.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

This investment replaces aging storage infrastructure with a secure, scalable, and resilient platform that strengthens the City's core technology foundation and supports critical systems.



Strong Foundation



Reliable Service

Values Impact:



Engagement

Reliable systems ensure timely access to information and digital services, improving responsiveness to residents and supporting transparent communication.



Equity

Consistent system performance and availability help ensure all residents have equal access to City services and information, regardless of how they engage.



Health

Highly available systems support emergency response and public safety operations, contributing to the overall safety and well-being of the community.



Stewardship

Replacing aging infrastructure proactively reduces risk, avoids costly failures, and ensures responsible management of public resources.



Sustainability

Modern storage systems are more energy-efficient and reduce hardware sprawl, lowering long-term operational costs and environmental impact.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Item Number: 6.13

Department: Community Development

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Stephanie Hawkinson, Affordable Housing
Development Manager

Item Title: Resolution 2026-17: Authorizing Application for the Livable Communities Grant Program

Action Requested:

Adopt Resolution 2026-17 authorizing the application to the Metropolitan Council for the Livable Communities Grant Program to hire a consultant who will assist staff with updating the affordable housing policy.

Information/Background:

The Metropolitan Council has funding available to qualified cities enrolled in the Livable Communities program to create or update affordable housing programs and policies. Edina's Policy for New Multifamily Affordable Housing ("Policy") was initially approved 11-years ago when few local communities had integrated housing policies. It is time for a thorough review the Policy in light of local and national "best practices" and to respond to multiple years of Quality of Life surveys, current demographic data, changes in state laws, the Metropolitan Nexus Study, and be responsive to changes in development economics.

In 2015 the Edina Housing Foundation proposed an Affordable Housing Policy ("Policy") that requires new residential developments with greater than 20 units to include affordable housing units equaling 10% of the combined units' square footage. In subsequent actions, the Policy was amended to include a Buy-In option, change the percentage based on the number of units versus square feet, added a proportionality provision, and added a requirement for non-discrimination of source of rental payment (such as Housing Choice Vouchers), among other things. The Policy is periodically reviewed to determine if there are gaps in coverage, confusing elements, for ease in understanding, and to make sure the goal of creating affordable housing opportunities is met. The most recent Policy update occurred in December 2022 to increase the buy-in amount and to require the inclusion of the affordable units when maximum densities are reached rather than allowing for a payment in lieu.

The Policy addresses three main goals:

- To have the private sector develop affordable housing.
- To integrate affordability into market rate developments throughout the city rather than concentrated.
- To address the need for affordable housing outside the 100% affordability model.

The HRA Commissioners reviewed the Policy at the March 5, 2026 meeting and confirmed support of a mechanism to encourage the development of affordable housing.

Assessment:

Staff is working on amending the policy, but would benefit from the expertise of a consultant to assist with a thorough policy review compared to local and national best practices; condensing local surveys, and facilitating engagement from the community and industry experts. There are multiple elements in the policy to be considered:

- Create separate sections for rental housing and ownership housing to address their unique characteristics;
- Review the percentage of units required at 50% and 60% Area Median Income ("AMI") and explore the option of recognizing a small percentage of 30% AMI units;
- Determine requirement option if neither a Comprehensive Plan amendment nor a zoning change is required;
- Create and define different buy-in calculations for rental and ownership developments supported by the forthcoming Metropolitan Council Nexus Study; and
- Clarify a process in the event a deviation from the Policy is appropriate and desired based on competing public purposes.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

The action is to apply for funding. There is not a request for an outlay of City resources.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

Livable City

Values Impact:

Stewardship

Applying for outside funding to help the City implement work plan objectives helps to preserve City resources.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Resolution 2026-17: Authorizing Application for the Livable Communities Grant Program

Whereas the City of Edina is a participant in the Livable Communities Act's Local Housing Incentives Account Program for 2026 as determined by the Metropolitan Council, and is eligible to make an application and apply for funds under the Livable Communities program guidelines; and

Whereas the City has identified a project within the City that meets the Livable Communities program purposes and criteria and is consistent with and promotes the purposes of the Metropolitan Livable Communities Act and the policies of the Metropolitan Council's adopted metropolitan development guide; and

Whereas the City has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate project and grant administration; and

Whereas the City certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the contract grant agreements; and

Whereas the City finds that the project will not occur through private or other public investment within the reasonably foreseeable future without Livable Communities grant funding.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that, the City Edina staff are authorized to submit an application for New Multifamily Affordable Housing policy update in the amount up to \$100,000 and, if the City is awarded a Livable Communities grant for this project, the City will be the grantee and agrees to act as legal sponsor to administer and be responsible for grant funds expended for the project contained in the grant application submitted on April 15, 2026.

Dated: April 7, 2026



Item Number: 6.14

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: MJ Lamon, Special Projects & Engagement
Manager

Item Title: Parks & Recreation Commission Appointment

Action Requested:

Approve appointment to Parks & Recreation Commission for Justin Rezac with a term ending on 3/1/27.

Information/Background:

The City's practice for unscheduled vacancies is to appoint an alternative selected during the annual onboarding board and commission process. Justin Rezac has expressed interest in the commission appointment.

Supporting Documentation:

None



Item Number: 6.15

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Sharon Allison, City Clerk

Item Title: Purchase Request: July 4th Fireworks

Action Requested:

Approve purchase request of fireworks for the July 4th annual celebration from J&M Displays, Inc., for \$20,500.

Requisition Number: 12600108

Vendor: J&M Displays, Inc.

Equipment Status: n/a

Funding Source: Presenting Sponsorship

Cost: \$20,500

Information/Background:

The City hosts an annual July 4th celebration that includes a community fireworks display. This event is a longstanding tradition that brings residents together and enhances community engagement. Staff recommends contracting with J&M Displays, Inc., a licensed and insured fireworks vendor who has demonstrated the ability to provide a safe, high-quality display that meets the City's expectations.

The cost of the fireworks display will be funded entirely by Explore Edina as the Presenting Sponsor.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

The cost of the fireworks display will be funded entirely Explore Edina as the Presenting Sponsor; no General Fund dollars will be used for this purchase.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:



Livable City



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Values Impact:



Engagement

The 4th of July fireworks event fosters community connection by bringing residents together in a shared, celebratory experience.



Stewardship

The event demonstrates responsible use of resources through sponsorship funding.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Item Number: 6.16

Department: Communications

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Jennifer Bennerotte, Communications Director

Item Title: Digital Accessibility Policy

Action Requested:

Approve the City's Digital Accessibility Policy.

Information/Background:

The City of Edina is committed to ensuring that its services, programs and activities are digitally accessible to all individuals, including people with disabilities. This policy establishes standards and procedures to ensure compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and applicable federal regulations requiring accessibility of web content and mobile applications. The federal requirements go into effect April 24, 2026, for Edina and other units of government with a population of 50,000 or more.

The City Council will approve the City's Digital Accessibility Policy, appointing the Assistant City Manager as Digital Accessibility Coordinator. The City Manager will approve the City's Digital Accessibility Guidelines and plan.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

Implementing and maintaining digital accessibility standards will require ongoing staff time and dedicated resources. While many improvements can be incorporated into existing workflows, achieving and sustaining compliance with WCAG 2.1 Level AA standards may require investments in training, tools and updates to existing digital content and systems over time.

Given these resource considerations, the City Council has included digital accessibility in its federal legislative platform. The platform calls for federal funding and support to assist local governments in meeting accessibility requirements, which are currently an unfunded mandate. It also advocates for extended implementation timelines to address technical and resource constraints—particularly for legacy systems—and for clearer federal guidance on the scope of compliance, including distinctions between public-facing and internal content.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

The Digital Accessibility Policy supports the City's commitment to equitable access to services, transparent communication and inclusive community engagement. By ensuring digital content is accessible to all users, including those with disabilities, the policy advances goals outlined in the City's strategic plans related to equity, customer service and effective communication.

The policy also aligns with the City's budget pillars by promoting operational excellence and long-term sustainability. Incorporating accessibility into standard workflows helps reduce future remediation costs, improves efficiency and enhances the overall user experience for residents and

staff.



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Values Impact:



Equity

Accessible digital services ensure all users can access City programs, services and information; participate in civic engagement opportunities and interact with online tools without barriers.



Stewardship

Failure to meet accessibility requirements may result in legal and financial risk.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. Digital Accessibility Policy



- ☒ City Council
- ☐ City-Wide
- ☐ Department

Approved: 4/7/2026
Revised:

Digital Accessibility Policy

I. Purpose

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II. Policy

The City will ensure that all its available digital content (web content and mobile applications), conforms to the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 Level AA standards as required by 28 C.F.R. Part 35.

This policy will take effect on April 24, 2026.

III. Scope

This policy applies to web content and mobile applications, as defined in 28 C.F.R. 35.104, that the City provides or makes available itself or through third parties via contracts, licensing or other agreements. This policy does not apply under the circumstances outlined in 28 C.F.R. 35.201, as it may be amended from time to time, or when compliance would result in a fundamental alteration of a service, program or activity or would impose an undue financial or administrative burden on the City.

IV. Accessibility Coordinator

The City Council designates the Assistant City Manager to serve as the City's Digital Accessibility Coordinator.

The Digital Accessibility Coordinator shall:

- Oversee implementation of this policy, including as to third parties subject to this policy
- Coordinate periodic accessibility audits and any applicable remediation
- Receive and respond to digital accessibility reports, requests or complaints
- Provide guidance to departments on compliance with this policy
- Facilitate staff training on applying accessibility standards and practices to City web content and mobile applications

- Evaluate requests to deviate from this policy pursuant to 28 C.F.R. 35.204

V. Feedback Process

The City will provide a clearly visible accessibility statement on its websites and mobile applications that includes:

- A description of the City's commitment to accessibility
- Contact information for reporting digital accessibility barriers
- Instructions for requesting accessible digital content
- A link to the City's ADA grievance procedure

Requests for accessible digital content will be acknowledged within 15 business days.

VI. Monitoring & Review

The Digital Accessibility Coordinator shall review this policy and compliance with this policy annually. This policy may be updated to conform with applicable changes in law or regulation.



Item Number: 7.1

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Thomas Brooks, Organizational Development Manager

Item Title: Proclamation: Days of Remembrance — April 13–20, 2026

Action Requested:

Adopt proclamation declaring April 13–20, 2026, Days of Remembrance in Edina.

Information/Background:

To honor the victims of the Holocaust, descendants of those impacted, survivors, and rescuers, this proclamation commemorates Days of Remembrance occurring April 13–20, 2026. Days of Remembrance is an opportunity to remember this painful era of our world's history, the suffering that occurred, and the lessons we continue to learn to protect human rights in Edina.

Ian Nemerov – community member, attorney, former Planning Commission chair, and this year's Days of Remembrance event organizer – will receive the adopted proclamation.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No fiscal or capacity impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:



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Values Impact:



Engagement

The proclamation includes an invitation for all Edina community members to attend a Days of Remembrance event on April 14, 2026 from 6:30–8:00 pm at Edina Fire Station 2. This event provides an opportunity for education and community. This event and the proclamation include the voice of community.



Equity

Consistent with all Days of Significance, recognizing Days of Remembrance creates an opportunity to remember difficult history of genocide and oppression as well as ongoing systemic, societal, and political challenges impacting, in this case, Holocaust survivors and descendants of the Edina community. This recognition is also an opportunity to leverage the cultural diversity, talents, and skills contributed to the community.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Whereas, the Holocaust was the state-sponsored, systemic persecution and annihilation of European Jewry by Nazi Germany and its collaborators between 1933 and 1945; and

Whereas, an estimated six million Jewish people along with millions of Romani, disabled, LGBTQ+, and political dissidents among other marginalized groups suffered grievously and were murdered under Nazi tyranny; and

Whereas, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies and governments; and

Whereas, in 1979, the United States Congress established Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust to coincide with the dates of liberation by American troops of the Dachau concentration camp; and

Whereas, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside as a time for all to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all people to strive to overcome intolerance and indifference through learning and remembrance; and

Whereas, the community of Edina is dedicated to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

Whereas, the Edina community honors the memory of the victims, survivors, descendants, rescuers and liberators of the Holocaust; and

Whereas, the people of the City of Edina remember the terrible events of the Holocaust, including the deaths of more than a million children, and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution and tyranny; and

Now, therefore, the City Council hereby proclaims the week of April 13-20, 2026, including the Day of Remembrance known as Yom HaShoah, as

Days of Remembrance

in the City of Edina and call upon the people of Edina to join their neighbors in recognizing this week and are invited to a Days of Remembrance event titled The Cello Still Sings – Courage and Conscience: One Conversation at a Time by author and speaker Janet Horvath to be held Tuesday April 14, 2026 6:30-8:00pm at Edina Fire Station 2.

Dated: April 7, 2026



Item Number: 7.2

Department: Police

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Kendall Smaby, Administrative Coordinator

Item Title: Proclamation: National 911 Public Safety Telecommunicator Week — April 12-18, 2026

Action Requested:

Adopt the proclamation recognizing April 12-18, 2026, as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Information/Background:

Every April, National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week recognizes the dedication and hard work of the professionals who serve as the first point of contact in emergencies. In Edina, we are fortunate to have our own independent 911 Emergency Communications Center, staffed by a highly skilled team of dispatchers who coordinate Police and Fire response for both Edina and Richfield. These employees provide round-the-clock service, operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to ensure timely, accurate, and compassionate support to the community. We would like to thank and honor those who have dedicated themselves to serving our community in this essential role.

Supporting Documentation:

None



Whereas, emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and

Whereas, when an emergency occurs, the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

Whereas, the safety of our police officers, firefighters and paramedics is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from residents who telephone or text the Edina Communications Center; and

Whereas, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our residents have with emergency services; and

Whereas, Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers, firefighters and paramedics by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

Whereas, Public Safety Telecommunicators of the Edina Communications Center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of the criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and

Whereas, each Public Safety Telecommunicator has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Edina, MN, hereby proclaims the week of April 12-18, 2026 as

National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week

in the City of Edina, MN in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our city and residents safe.

Dated: April 7, 2026



Item Number: 7.3

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager

Item Title: Proclamation: Earth Day — April 22, 2026

Action Requested:

Adopt proclamation declaring April 22 as Earth Day in Edina.

Information/Background:

Earth Day is commemorated annually on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection, advance sustainability initiatives, and raise awareness about climate change around the world. This proclamation highlights Earth Day and elevates our commitment to achieving Edina's Climate Action Plan goals.

To foster a culture of environmental stewardship, the City is hosting and supporting several events in April, including:

- Planting for Clean Water Workshops, April 8 and April 15, in person and virtual
- Clothing Swap, April 18, Edina Senior Center
- Safe & Equitable Mobility Action Plan Open House, April 22, Fire Station #2
- Arbor Day Tree Planting, April 24, Creek Valley Park
- Earth Day Community Festival, April 26, Weber Park

Resources/Financial Impacts:

None.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

Celebrating Earth Day aligns with Edina's Climate Action Plan, and with Edina's Budget Pillars to create a Livable City and foster an engaged community (Better Together).



Livable City



Better Together

Values Impact:



Engagement

Celebrating Earth Day and participating in community events promotes community well-being, fosters a culture of environmental stewardship, and connects residents to support a more resilient Edina.



Sustainability

Celebrating Earth Day aligns with Edina's Climate Action Plan strategies to create engagement opportunities for Edina residents to support the plan, including participating in local events and promoting simple ways to combat climate action.

Supporting Documentation:

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None



Whereas, Earth Day is commemorated annually on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection, advance sustainability initiatives, and raise awareness about climate change; and

Whereas, Earth Day serves as a reminder of our responsibility to climate action, stewardship of our resources and future generations to leave a livable world; and

Whereas, the City of Edina is committed to addressing climate change and has taken steps to reduce its carbon footprint, conserve natural resources and foster a culture of environmental stewardship; and

Whereas, in 2021, the City of Edina adopted a Climate Action Plan, outlining our community's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 45 percent by 2030 and achieve net-zero emissions by 2050; and

Whereas, Edina residents and businesses are actively supporting climate action by participating in the Community Climate Action Fund, diverting waste from landfills by participating in organics recycling and choosing to walk, bike and bus as alternative ways to move through our community.

Now, therefore, the City Council of the City of Edina, hereby proclaims April 22, 2026 as

Earth Day

in the City of Edina and encourages all residents and businesses to acknowledge their role in protecting our environment and combating climate change.

Dated: April 7, 2026



Item Number: 7.4

Department: Public Works

Item Activity: Information

Prepared By: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager

Item Title: Annual Sustainability and Climate Action Update

Action Requested:

No action requested.

Information/Background:

The purpose of the annual sustainability and climate action update is to provide the City Council an update on Climate Action Plan implementation progress, Conservation and Sustainability (CAS) Fund expenditures, and other Sustainability Division updates.

Resources/Financial Impacts:

No fiscal or capacity impact.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

The Climate Action Plan goals and implementation actions align with all of the City's Budget Pillars, including investing in city assets and infrastructure to create a more resilient Edina, maintaining reliable services to meet the changing needs of the community to combat climate change, planning for sustainable and connected development, and to foster an engaged community through environmental stewardship.



Strong Foundation



Reliable Service



Livable City



Better Together

Values Impact:



Engagement

The Climate Action Plan was created through robust community engagement, and implementation continues to engage Edina residents and businesses to support climate action, foster environmental stewardship, and promote community well-being.



Equity

Climate equity is integrated throughout the Climate Action Plan to support those disproportionately affected by the negative impacts of climate change.



Health

Climate health and safety is one focus area of the Climate Action Plan to mitigate the negative health outcomes of climate change.



Stewardship

The Conservation & Sustainability Fund (CAS) invests in capital equipment and assets to ensure our buildings, fleet, and infrastructure

are resilient to climate change. In addition, the CAS Fund leverages grant funding, utility rebates, and private investment to maximize City tax dollars and franchise fee revenue expenditures.



Sustainability

Policies and programs managed by the Sustainability Division are important to meeting our Climate Action Plan goals.

Supporting Documentation:

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1. 2025 Conservation & Sustainability Fund Report
2. 2025 Carryout Bag Fee Report
3. Edina Extreme Heat Report
4. Staff Presentation



Staff Report

Date: 04/07/2026
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager
Subject: 2025 Conservation & Sustainability (CAS) Fund Report

Introduction & Overview

The Conservation and Sustainability (CAS) Fund supports the implementation of the Climate Action Plan. The primary source of revenue for the CAS Fund is utility franchise fees with some additional funding from utility rebates and elective pay tax credits. The Sustainability Division manages CAS Fund expenditures.

An estimated \$1.5 million in revenue was collected for the CAS Fund in 2025, a 46% increase from 2024's revenue because of a higher amount of franchise fees collected than budgeted and receipt of new elective pay tax credits.

Table 1. 2025 CAS Fund Estimated Revenue by Source

CAS Fund Revenue Source	
Franchise Fees	\$1,299,973
Elective Pay Tax Credits	\$113,679
Other Revenue (Utility rebates, investment income, solar gardens, public charging fees)	\$107,572

In 2025, an estimated \$1.3 million was spent on CAS-related projects and programs, compared to \$1.8 million in 2024, a 26% decrease. The primary driver for this change was reduced spending on city vehicles and building energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades. In 2025, staff capacity was focused on commissioning City Hall energy management upgrades and completing a new energy management study for Fire Station 1, which will inform future capital investment.

Although total spending was lower in 2025 for facility energy and renewable energy upgrades compared to previous years, 64% of all CAS-related projects expenses went toward city vehicles, buildings and studies. 2025 CAS Fund projects include:

- Completed Fire Station #1 energy management study to inform future efficiency upgrades.
- Installed two new solar photovoltaic systems (City Hall, Fire Station #2).
- Purchased five electric vehicles and one hybrid electric vehicle.
- Installed new charger at City Hall dedicated to Police fleet charging.
- Upfitted 10 snowplows to operate on B100 biodiesel.
- Purchased new above ground storage tank for B100 biodiesel.



- Fully allocated the Community Climate Action Fund to support 60 high-impact greenhouse gas reduction projects.
- Implemented the updated Efficient Buildings Ordinance and completed the first year of reporting for the Carryout Bag Fee Ordinance.
- Continued grant-funded sustainability projects, including habitat restoration at Bredesen Park and replacing hazardous borer-infested ash trees across Edina with a diverse, climate-resilient tree canopy.

Table 2. 2025 CAS Fund Estimated Expenditures

CAS Fund Project Type	Cost	Percentage
City Vehicles, Buildings and Studies	\$848,093	64%
Green Fleet Procurement & Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	\$105,067	
Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Infrastructure & Studies	\$743,026	
Community Policy and Projects	\$168,712	13%
Climate Action Fund Cost-share	\$109,032	
Efficient Buildings Ordinance Implementation	\$20,500	
Energy Assessment Buy-downs	\$18,645	
Community Outreach and Engagement	\$9,729	
Electrify Everything Outreach and Engagement	\$3,800	
Sustainable Building Policy Implementation	\$7,006	
Staffing and Administration	\$314,509	24%
Staff Salary and Benefits	\$288,648	
Other (Supplies, central services, training, dues)	\$25,861	

Looking Ahead

A new percent-fee franchise fee model, effective January 1, 2026, is expected to generate similar revenue as prior years for the CAS Fund. The Sustainability Division expects future elective pay tax credits to be significantly lower than what was received in 2025 due to the One Big Beautiful Bill Act passed in July 2025, which repeals or curtails almost all clean energy tax credits.

In 2026, CAS Fund projects are already underway or planned to meet our community Climate Action Plan goals:

- Purchase electric, hybrid and fuel-efficient replacements for City fleet vehicles and maintenance equipment.
- Finalize biodiesel tank installation and begin fueling heavy-duty fleet vehicles with B100 biodiesel.
- Integrate solar panel data monitoring into City's Building Automation System (BAS).
- Start design for Fire Station #1 energy management upgrades.
- Install new solar photovoltaic canopy system at Aquatic Center.
- Continue to support resident and business energy audits through cost-share program.



- Expand Climate Action Fund projects to include electric panel upgrades and increase cost-share amounts for residential solar due to the termination of federal tax credits.
- Host Electrify Everything home electrification events and advisor services.
- Support grant-funded sustainability projects with cash-match requirements.
- Complete an updated greenhouse gas inventory based on 2025 data.



Staff Report

Date: 04/07/2026
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager
Subject: 2025 Carryout Bag Fee Reporting

Introduction & Overview

The Edina City Council adopted [Ordinance 2023-18](#) to establish a 5 cent carryout bag fee for most retail merchants. The ordinance applies to plastic bags, compostable plastic bags, paper bags, and reusable bags distributed by businesses. Businesses are required to self-report the total number of bags distributed, and total value of the bag fees collected. There is no penalty for not reporting.

The City used several outreach channels to notify business of the reporting requirements, including two direct mailers, a press release, emails, and notifications via partners like the 50th & France Business Association and Edina Chamber of Commerce.

Reporting Data

Data collected in 2026 represents January 1–December 31, 2025.

In 2025, sixty businesses reported, totaling 2.49 million carryout bags distributed and \$124,062 in collected fees. For reference, in 2024, fifty-seven businesses complied with reporting, totaling more than 1.4 million carryout bags distributed and \$73,610 in collected fees from July 1–December 31, 2024.

Several businesses reported that they do not charge a fee, even if it applies to them. Reasons include disagreement with the ordinance, limitations with their point-of-sale system, or being unaware of the bag fee ordinance requirements. These businesses are noted with “0” values below.

Table 1. 2025 Carryout Bag Fee Reporting Data

Business Name	Business Address	Number of Carryout Bags Distributed	Total Bag Fee Collected
Advanced Skin Therapeutics	6525 Barrie Road	149	\$7.50
Art Frame of Edina MN	5111 Gus Young Lane	250	\$0.00
Aveda	1855 Southdale Center	2,553	\$128.50
Blick Art Materials	3867 Gallagher Drive	12,764	\$638.20
bluebird boutique	3909 W. 50th Street	1,000	\$6.75
Chuck & Don's	6821 York Avenue S	2,635	\$131.75



Business Name	Business Address	Number of Carryout Bags Distributed	Total Bag Fee Collected
Coccinella	4946 France Ave S	1,701	\$85.15
Cos Bar Edina	3905 W 50th St	4,184	\$209.20
Cub Foods Southdale	6775 York Avenue S	651,560	\$32,578.00
CVS Pharmacy	6905 York Avenue So	35,500	\$1,775.00
Dermatology Specialists	3316 West 66th Street	69	\$3.45
Droolin' Moose	4545 77th Street West	1,560	\$78.00
DUGO	3939 Market St	1,773	\$88.65
East West Girl	3933 Market Street	2,970	\$148.50
Evereve Incorporated	6800 France Avenue S, Suite 700	1,232	\$61.60
Faribault Mill	3922 W 50th Street	1	\$0.05
Fashion Avenue	4936 France Avenue S	3,563	\$178.15
Fawbush's	3585 Galleria	4,533	\$226.65
Finish Line	2120 Southdale Center #A	9,505	\$0.00
Flirt Boutique	3927 Market Street	1,600	\$80.00
Games by James	1930 Southdale Center	5,252	\$262.60
goGLOW	7493 France Avenue S	200	\$10.00
Goodnight Moon	4388 France Avenue S	1,000	\$50.00
Great Clips	5125 Gus Young Lane	126	\$6.30
grethen house	4930 France Avenue S	4,556	\$227.80
Harriet and Alice	3922 West 50th St	1,470	\$73.50
Hobo	3490 Galleria	1,450	\$72.50
J Crew	1150 Southdale Center	5,154	\$257.70
JB Hudson	3555 Galleria	3,000	\$150.00
Jerry's Do It Best Hardware	5115 Vernon Avenue S	6,060	\$303.00
Jerry's Foods Edina	5101 Vernon Avenue S	822,100	\$41,105.00
Jett Beauty	3940 West 50th Street	61	\$3.05
Jos A. Bank	6380 Rogerdale Road	2,420	\$121.00
Kowalski's Edina Market	324 Southdale Center	332,408	\$16,620.40
lululemon	3914 W 50th St	5,000	\$250.00



Business Name	Business Address	Number of Carryout Bags Distributed	Total Bag Fee Collected
Iululemon	10 Southdale Center, Suite 2585B	70,000	\$3,500.00
Lush Handmade Cosmetics	3915 W 50th Street	2,787	\$139.35
Madewell	1562 Southdale Center	7,636	\$381.80
Madewell	3510 Galleria, Space 3464	7,838	\$391.90
Mainstream Boutique of Edina	7523 France Avenue S	654	\$32.70
Massage Envy	7101 France Avenue	75	\$0.00
Melly	3327 Galleria	7,000	\$350.00
Pacifier LLC	4942 France Avenue S	3,462	\$173.00
Pathway Books and Music	6901 Normandale Road	326	\$16.30
PXG	10 Southdale Center, Suite 2180C	0	\$0.00
SENTi	3922 West 50th Street	1,296	\$64.85
Serge + Jane	4532 France Avenue S	700	\$0.00
shop in the city	3921 Market St.	39	\$1.95
Sloane's on 44th	4388 France Avenue S #100	202	\$10.10
Spalon Montage	3909 Market Street	2,200	\$110.00
The Mean's Wearhouse	6380 Rogerdale Road	2,491	\$124.55
The Metropolitan Clinic	7300 France Ave S	212	\$10.60
Tiffany and Company	10 Southdale Center, Suite 2754	791	\$39.55
Trailmark	3265 Galleria	7,072	\$353.60
Twill, Inc	3295 Galleria	4,950	\$247.50
Vernon Avenue BP	5209 Vernon Avenue	100	\$5.00
Victoria's Secret	10 Southdale Center	11,777	\$588.85
Vivront	4948 France Ave S	2,179	\$108.95
Whole Foods Market	7401 France Ave S	427,200	\$21,360.00
Yeti Coolers	3510 Galleria	2,273	\$113.65



Staff included two optional fields for reporting. Summary of those submitted answers is below.

- Optional Question 1: What does your business use the collected bag fees for?
 - Offset cost of bags
 - Operations
 - Sustainability or other internal efforts
 - Marketing
 - Donation
 - Supplies
 - Daily sales numbers
- Optional Question 2: What additional resources would be helpful to your business to implement the bag fee ordinance?
 - Printable and decal signage with more details on the ordinance



Edina Extreme Heat Report

Prepared by Edina Sustainability Division, December 2025

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Introduction

“Extreme heat” is weather that is much hotter and humid than typical. This effect is exacerbated by the urban heat island effect, where materials like concrete and asphalt absorb and store heat. According to the [National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration](#) (NOAA), extreme heat is the leading weather-related cause of death in the United States, and risk of death and illness is expected to increase as extreme heat events become more frequent and intense due to climate change. Mitigating and adapting to extreme heat is an important aspect of Edina’s Climate Action Plan, as well as working toward Edina’s values of sustainability, equity and health.

Climate Action Plan

Edina’s Climate Action Plan identifies extreme heat as a primary impact of climate change in Edina. Strategies to combat the negative impacts of extreme heat in the Greenspace & Trees (GS) and Climate Health & Safety (HS) chapters include:

- Strategy GS 1: Increase tree cover from 35.9% to 39.5% by 2030 and 43% by 2040.
- Strategy GS 3: Reduce heat island effect through citywide “dark” impervious surface reduction of 10% by 2030 and 20% by 2040.
- Strategy HS 1: Educate, engage, and empower the public on health and safety risks of climate change impacts.
- Strategy HS 2: Assist the City’s vulnerable populations in preparing for climate change impacts.
- Strategy HS 3: Establish and update plans to address climate risks and impacts.
- Strategy HS 4: Strengthen community response capacity and social support networks.

Extreme Heat in Edina

The most recent Jurisdictional Risk Assessment (JRA) completed in 2024 by the Public Health Alliance of Bloomington, Edina, and Richfield evaluated past, current, and future risks to the health, safety, and property of people in Edina. The result is a comprehensive risk assessment for common hazards in Edina, including extreme heat. Of the 21 hazards evaluated, extreme heat was the fifth-highest hazard, tied with extreme cold. According to the JRA, extreme heat has a very high probability of occurring with severe human impacts, but Edina has “none or minimal mitigation” resources in place to address extreme heat.

Supported by NOAA and other local agencies, Hennepin and Ramsey Counties completed a robust study in 2024 to measure air temperature and humidity in the Twin Cities, resulting in [a map of heat in our region](#). This study expands on [previous heat mapping completed by the Metropolitan Council in 2016 and 2022](#), which used land surface temperatures measured by satellites. The county-led study shows that highly developed urban areas have higher temperatures than other areas during the day and evening; and trees, green space, and water help alleviate heat in developed areas.

In Edina, the areas with the highest temperatures during the day are also those with the lowest tree canopy and a lot of impervious pavements: the Cahill Industrial District and Southdale District, which can be more than 10 degrees hotter than the Twin Cities average in the summer, [according to American Forests](#). High temperatures also exist in other neighborhoods, like Strachauer and Chowen Park where

a high number of residential redevelopment projects have occurred, tree canopy has been reduced, and are adjacent to the Xerxes Avenue business corridor. The lowest daytime temperatures (upwards of 8 degrees cooler than the region) exist in the neighborhoods with high tree canopy or adjacent to parks and other green spaces, such as Highlands, Interlachen Park, Rolling Green, Creek Valley, and Braemar Hills. This data also illustrates the impact trees, greenspace, and density can have in an urban environment. The 50th & France business district, which is a dense, paved area surrounded by residential neighborhoods with a robust tree canopy, has a lower afternoon temperature compared to other Edina business districts that aren't located in residential neighborhoods.

Figure 1. Afternoon Temperature Model Twin Cities, Mapping the Urban Heat Island Project

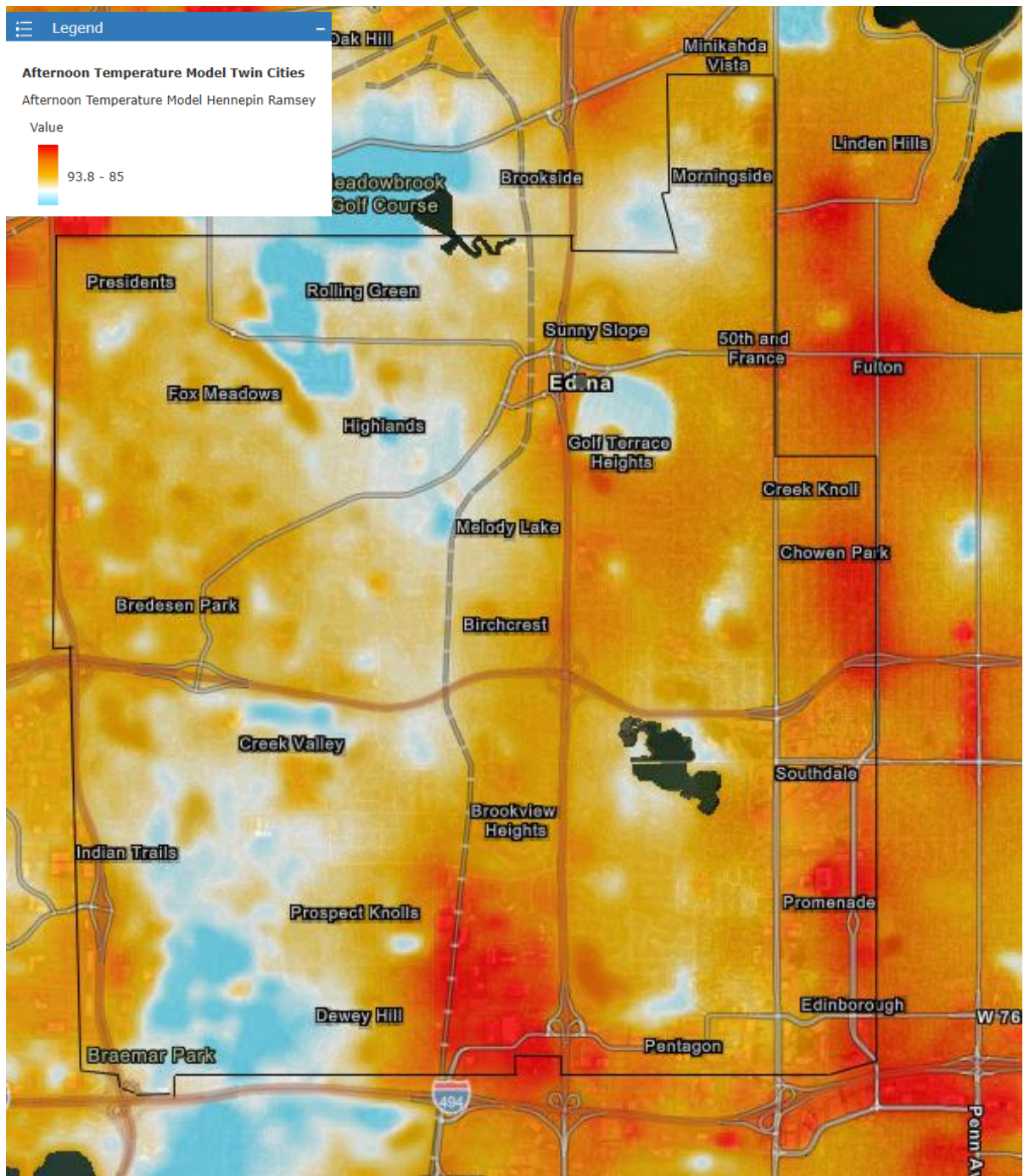
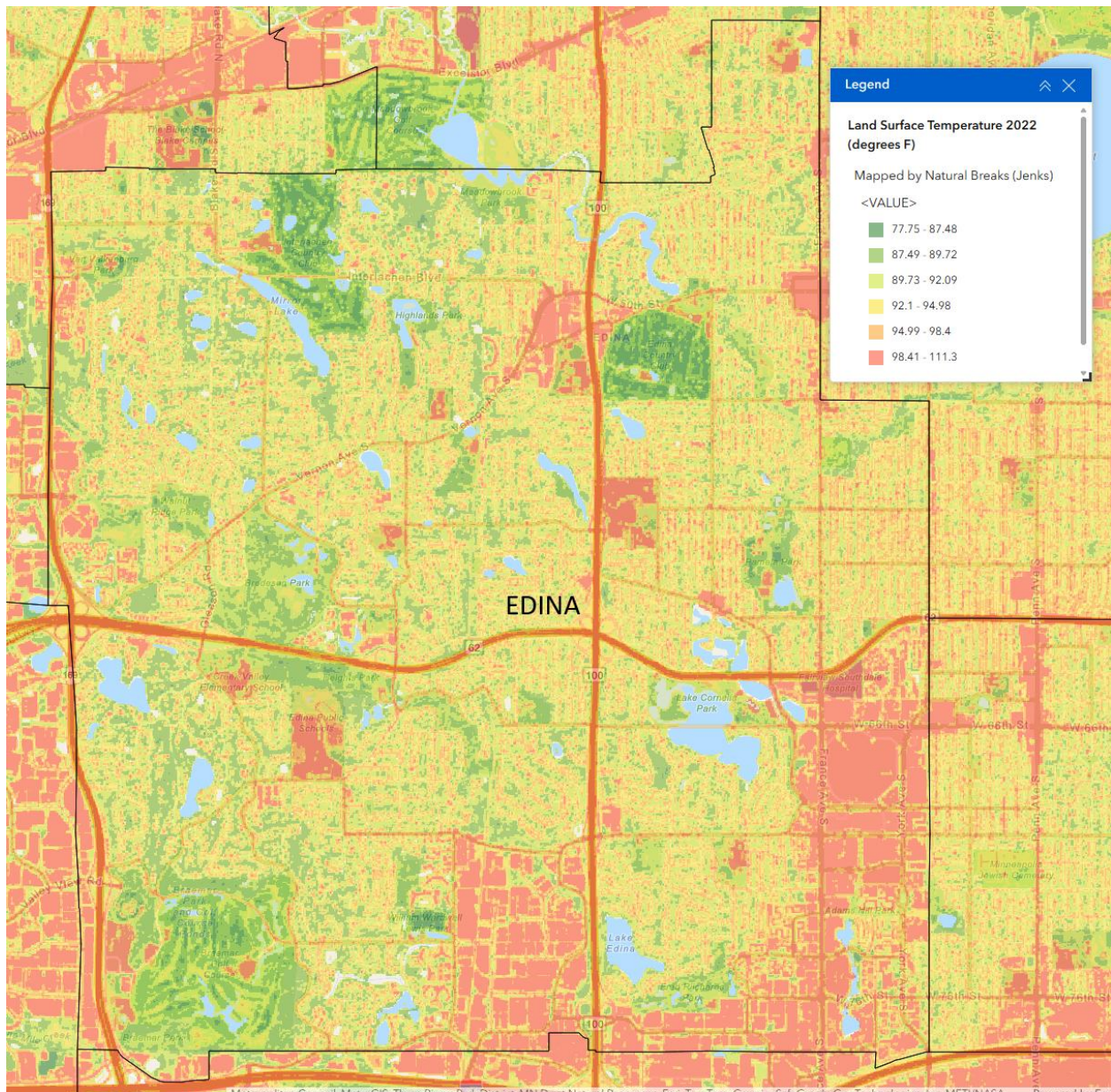


Figure 2. Surface Temperatures, Metropolitan Council



Local Impacts

While extreme heat affects everyone in Edina, some community members, such as seniors, outdoor workers, and children, experience it more harshly, worsening their health and economic outcomes.

Vulnerable Populations

According to Edina's Climate Action Plan, certain groups of people are at higher risk of stress, negative health impacts, or death due to extreme weather events like heat. Vulnerability to heat stress can be increased by certain variables, including the presence of health conditions like diabetes, asthma, and heart conditions; demographic and socioeconomic factors; and surrounding land cover and land use.

Edina's vulnerable populations include children, older adults and seniors, low-income residents, the unhoused, pregnant people, communities of color, residents with chronic health conditions, outdoor workers, residents of neighborhoods with low tree canopy coverage, and residents without air conditioning in their home.

The following data is from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates. The data illustrates the percentage of Edina's residents that fall into one of the vulnerable population categories listed above (if data is available).

Table 1. Edina Residents by Age Category, 2023 5-year Estimates

U.S. Census Age Categories	Residents (percent)
Total Resident Count	53,494
Under 18 years	29.5%
18 – 24 years	9.0%
25 – 34 years	9.9%
35 – 44 years	12.6%
45 – 54 years	12.7%
55 – 64 years	13.0%
65 years and older	22.2%

Table 2. Edina Residents Experiencing Poverty by Age Category, 2023 5-year Estimates

U.S. Census Poverty Status Categories	Residents (percent)
Total Resident Count, Poverty Status Determined	52,702
Below poverty level, under 18 years	3.9%
Below poverty level, 18 to 64 years	4.3%
Below poverty level, 65 years and over	5.1%

Table 3. Edina Residents by Race Category and Ethnicity, 2023 5-year Estimates

U.S. Census Race Categories + Ethnicity	Residents (percent)
Total Resident Count	53,494
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.2%
Asian	9.0%
Black/African American	3.6%
Hispanic or Latino ethnicity)	3.0%
Middle Eastern	N/A
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	<1.0%
White	79.6%
Some Other Race	1.6%
Two or More Races	6.0%

Table 4. Edina Residents Disability Status, 2023 5-year Estimates

U.S. Census Disability Categories	Residents (percent)
Total Resident Count, under age of 65 Years	52,603
With a disability, under age 65 years	9.1%

Health Impacts

Climate change impacts the health of all community members, but many people within our communities are disproportionately affected by the negative health impacts of climate change due to existing health conditions. The [Fifth National Climate Assessment](#) notes that extreme heat worsens pre-existing health conditions and high temperatures are associated with an increase in emergency room visits and hospitalization due to dehydration, heat exhaustion, muscle cramping, rapid breathing, fainting, and heatstroke. For those without accessible and affordable healthcare options, these health conditions worsen over time with continued heat exposure.

According to the [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#), children and pregnant people have a higher risk of overheating and are more severely affected by dehydration, heat stroke, and other heat illnesses compared to others. [Duke University researchers](#) found that an additional 12,000 premature deaths occur annually in the United States as the result of extreme heat; and another [research study](#) found that older adults over the age of 60 represent more than 80% of heat related deaths. [Yale Climate Connections reports](#) that common prescription and over-the-counter medications, such as anti-depressants, antihistamines, and drugs to treat diabetes and high blood pressure, can reduce the body's ability to maintain a safe temperature, increasing the risk of severe dehydration and heat stroke.

Economic Impacts

Extreme heat can reduce productivity, increase energy costs, and cause additional damage to infrastructure. The [U.S. Congress' Joint Economic Committee \(JEC\) reports](#) the loss of productivity caused by heat is emerging as one of the biggest economic costs of climate change, estimating that loss of productivity from heat exposure cost the economy \$100 billion in 2020. Work disruptions due to extreme heat could result in U.S. outdoor workers losing \$39.3 to \$55.4 billion in lost wages annually by 2050, according to a [report by the Union of Concerned Scientists](#).

Extreme heat causes additional stress to infrastructure, increasing maintenance and replacement costs and threatening critical water, power, and other utility systems. High temperatures damage roads and sidewalks built with materials unsuitable for extreme heat, resulting in an estimated \$19-26.3 billion needed nationwide by 2040 to pay for additional road maintenance and replacement costs associated with rising temperatures, according to the JEC report. Longer periods of sustained heat increase demand on the water utility system, putting additional stress on pumping and lift station equipment that might not be designed to operate under long periods of high demand. If these systems fail, drinking water quality and stormwater and sanitary sewer systems could be impacted.

High temperatures also stress utility infrastructure through increased demand on power generation and reduced efficiency of powerlines. [The North American Electricity Reliability Corporation's 2025 Summer Reliability Assessment](#) finds an elevated risk of supply shortfalls during heat waves and other abnormal weather conditions in Edina's power region (MISO), meaning electricity providers may have

insufficient power generation during these weather conditions because of above-normal system demand. When there is insufficient power generation, rolling blackouts, brownouts, and power outages occur, exacerbating the negative effects of heat in buildings, as well as exacerbating health risks for vulnerable populations who rely on electricity for medical equipment and refrigeration for medication. Increasing the demand for electricity for space cooling and refrigeration during heat events also results in higher utility bills and energy burden.

Mitigation and Adaptation Solutions

The City of Edina can implement solutions that mitigate extreme heat in our community and adapt our built environment to extreme heat events. Examples of mitigation strategies include reducing impervious surfaces, reducing stress on infrastructure with multimodal transportation, preserving and expanding our tree canopy, and improving public infrastructure with cool pavements and green roofs. Examples of adaptation strategies include offering cooling centers, educating our community on personal actions they can take, incentivizing building weatherization and energy efficiency, and creating artificial shade in public spaces. Some of these solutions are already underway in Edina through policy, programs, and capital investment, but there are additional opportunities to do this work in collaboration with other agencies and groups.

Existing City Initiatives

Completed

- Adopted a Tree Preservation Ordinance to protect our existing tree canopy.
- Included a maximum impervious surface lot coverage for single-family dwelling units in the Zoning Code.
- Completed a Jurisdictional Risk Assessment that includes “extreme heat” as an evaluated hazard.
- Established a procedure for staff and outdoor park programming during extreme weather events like heat or poor-quality days.
- Funded the NextGen Trees program with a focus on planting trees in areas with low tree density.

Ongoing & Underway

- Hosting the Annual Tree Sale program to incentivize tree planting on private property.
- Piloting cool pavement sealer during road reconstruction projects.
- Installing MPCA-funded artificial shade structures at Fred Richards Park to increase shade opportunities.
- Collaborating with Hennepin County to share information about existing cooling centers in Edina.
- Incentivizing weatherization and heat pumps through Edina’s Community Climate Action Fund.
- Coordination and training with emergency response and public health teams to respond to extreme heat illnesses.
- Participating in Hennepin County Resilient Cities work group to create a county-wide Heat Action Plan.

- Participating in the Urban Sustainability Directors Network Extreme Heat Learning Group to learn best practices from cities across the U.S. to mitigate and adapt to extreme heat.

Opportunities to Expand

- Allocate new budget or secure additional grants for existing tree programs that preserve and expand the tree canopy in areas with low tree density.
- Identify parks or City properties in need of artificial shade structures or cooling structures, and secure funding to build them.
- Identify annual budget allocation to create an incentive-based pavement conversion program to reduce impervious pavement, such as St. Louis Park's Depave SLP program.
- Increase funding for the Community Climate Action Fund to support more weatherization and heat pump projects.
- Expand cool pavement, cool roof, and other mitigation strategies for Edina's infrastructure.
- Explore maximum impervious surface lot coverages for non-residential zoning districts.
- Establish and document consistent procedures across City divisions for staff and outdoor programming when extreme heat events occur.
- Expand resources and plans to address extreme heat events by emergency response and public health in coordination with the Public Health Alliance.
- Increase communication and engagement to broaden awareness and preparedness for an extreme heat event.
- Form a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) to help disseminate information and education materials door-to-door and directly to vulnerable residents during an extreme heat event.
- Create and distribute heat relief kits to Edina's most vulnerable populations.
- Partner with other agencies and organizations to expand the availability of cooling centers, including hosting one at a City facility.
- Support a community-based organization to create a resilience hub or other center to provide support services during extreme weather events.

Commission Comments

The Energy and Environment Commission provided the following comments during their December meeting on the report:

- How can the city's emergency response plans ensure that private generators at critical facilities are available and functional?
- How are we tracking tree cover and how has the canopy has been impacted through the City's work? How does our existing tree canopy contribute to our canopy goal as those trees mature, assuming we do nothing?
- Can we get improved metrics to translate tree canopy coverage to count of trees of needed? Can those metrics then be translated to understand how many trees per property might be needed? E.g., each resident needs to plant X number of trees.

- Talk to the schools for future implementation to expand tree canopy. Is there an opportunity to secure grants for tree plantings on school property?
- Is it possible to have a similar program to Minneapolis where trees lost during street reconstruction are planted somewhere else to help preserve canopy?
- In the mitigation and adaptation part, some of the mitigation strategies that staff mention are also adaptation ones, and we need to point that out,
- We need to improve our communication and awareness about the tree canopy as it relates to extreme heat. An action under “opportunities to expand” should be added related to this. As the maps showed, areas with the highest tree canopy are the ones with the lowest temperature.

The Commission also approved an Advisory Communication to City Council, emphasizing the importance of mitigating extreme heat. This Advisory Communication was approved at their March 2026 meeting and submitted to the City Council at the April 7, 2026 meeting.



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Sustainability Update

Marisa Bayer, Sustainability Manager

April 7, 2026

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Annual Sustainability Update

- Progress toward Climate Action Plan Goals
- Funding update
- 2025 implementation highlights



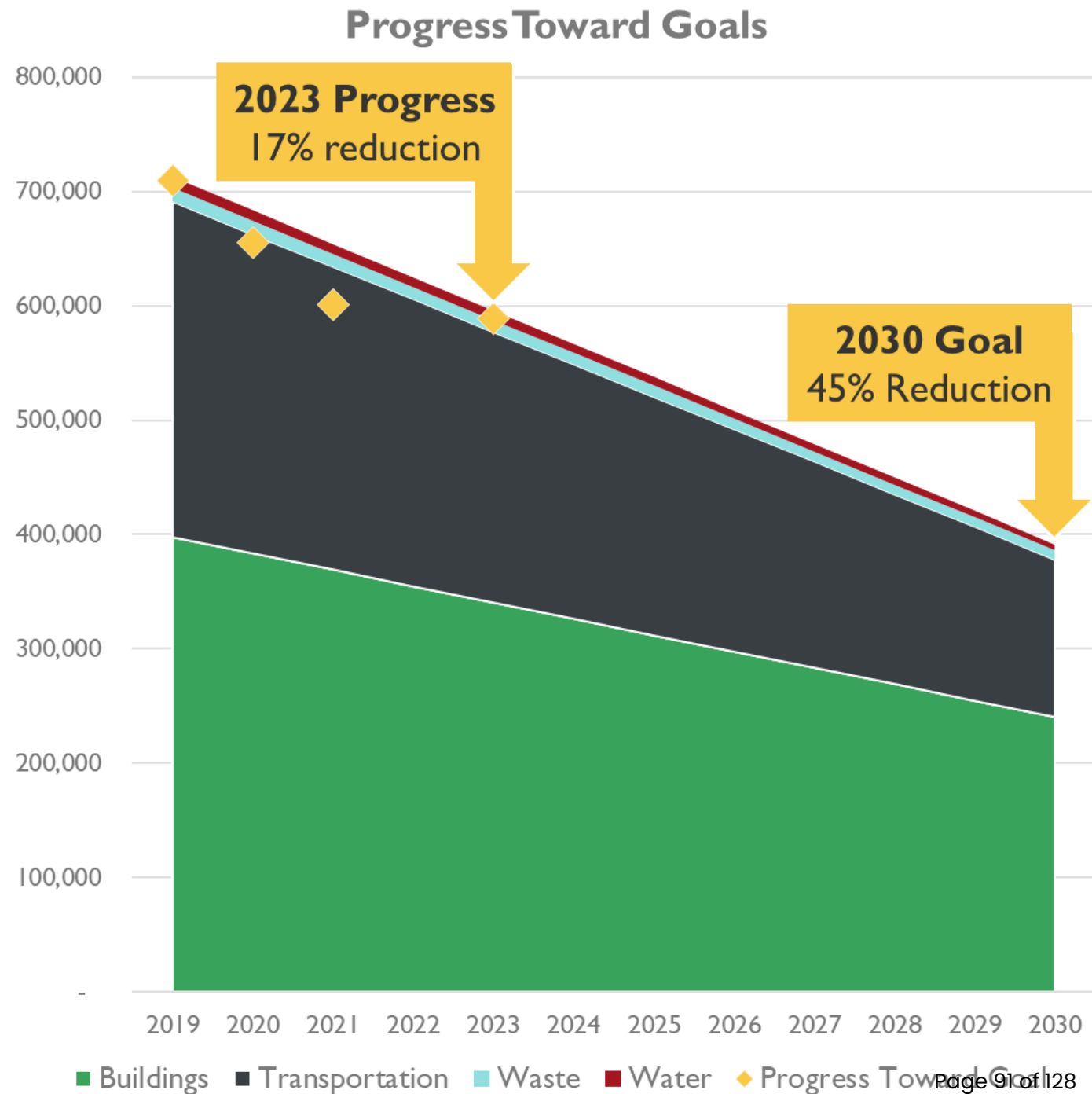
Climate Action Plan

- Guiding document for Sustainability Division's work and achieving City Budget Value of "Sustainability"
- Our climate vision is to "help those who live and work in Edina imagine and achieve a future where the earth and all who live on it thrive"
- Our goal is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 45% by 2030, achieve net-zero emissions by 2050
 - Emissions reductions achieved in Transportation & Land Use, Buildings & Energy, Waste Management, and Water & Wastewater sectors
 - Other sectors contribute to climate resiliency and greenhouse gas mitigation



Progress Toward Goals

- 17% reduction achieved as of 2023 GHG inventory
 - Primarily due to grid decarbonization
 - 2025 GHG inventory to be completed this year
- Need to maintain current reductions and reduce additional 196,865 MTCO₂e
 - Significant reductions needed in Transportation and Buildings sectors



Conservation & Sustainability Fund (CAS)

- Supports implementation of Climate Action Plan strategies
- 2025 revenue higher than 2024 due to franchise fee and elective pay tax credits
- 2025 expenses lower than 2024, driven by reduced spending on City vehicles and buildings

	2024	2025	% Change
CAS Fund Revenue	\$1,040,367	\$1,521,224	+46%
CAS Fund Expenditures	\$1,797,926	\$1,331,301	-26%



2025 Grant & Tax Credit Funding for CAP Implementation

Secured

- Elective Pay 2024, \$88,406
Electric Vehicles
- MPCA Resiliency Grant, \$500,000
Fred Richards shade structures
- MPCA Stormwater Grant, \$1,118,421
York Avenue Pond lift station
- DNR Community Tree Planting Grant, \$208,450
Expand public property ash tree removal & replacement program
- Solar on Public Buildings, \$47,500
Aquatic Center Shade Structure with solar

Unfunded

- MPCA Stormwater Grant, \$988,000
Presidents A&B Reconstruction
- DNR CPL, \$495,000
Braemar Park wetland restoration

Total funding secured, 2025

\$1.96 million

Total funding secured, 2023-2025

\$4.50 million



Future of Sustainability Funding

- **New percent fee franchise model** should maintain similar revenue to prior years but could be affected by weather and utility rate changes
- Assuming new **federal grant opportunities** are limited
- **Elective pay was eviscerated** by HR I
 - EV credits ended in September
 - Solar & wind credits incredibly hard to comply with now
 - Only geothermal was left untouched
- **State grant funding** largely remains for natural resources, but funding expired for energy-related programs
 - Included legislative priority on the importance of refunding these expired programs



Accomplishments

Community Engagement

- Electrify Everything program focused on home electrification
- Clothing Swap, Arbor Day tree plantings, Tree Sale
- EEC workplan: Green Business Outreach Program, Tree Recognition Campaign
- Contractor education breakfast

Community Investment

- Community Climate Action Fund to support efficiency, electrification and renewable energy
- Expand Climate Action Fund for sustainable deconstruction

City Building and Vehicle Investments

- Commission City Hall Energy Management Investments & Solar PV
- Commission solar and geothermal at Fire Station #2
- Fleet vehicle conversion for on-road and off-road vehicles

Collaboration

- Regional network meetings with Metropolitan Council, Community Energy Network and other partners
- Hennepin County Resilient Communities cohort

Planning

- Updated medium- and heavy-duty fleet electrification analysis
- Updated Climate Action Plan workplan
- Extreme Heat Report to understand heat in Edina

Policy Updates & Implementation

- Carryout Bag Fee Ordinance
- Efficient Buildings Ordinance (updated)
- Sustainable Building Policy
- Franchise Fee percent-fee model
- Tree Protection Ordinance Review

Elevating our Voice

- Participated in Public Utilities Commission, State and Federal agency comment periods for key issues related to Edina
- Showcase Climate Action Fund program at regional conference
- Featured Sustainable Building and EV charging policies in statewide case studies



Impact by the Numbers – Programs

- Community Climate Action Fund
 - 60 projects, \$109k disbursed
 - Almost \$900k private dollars leveraged
- Energy Audit Cost-share
 - 250 residential assessments
 - 11 business assessments
- Electrify Everything MN Outreach
 - 3 online webinars
 - 1 in-person tabling event
 - [New online incentive calculator](#)



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We found 15 savings programs across 8 projects, based on your household information.

Rent or own: Homeowner
ZIP code: 55439
Electric utility: Xcel Energy
Gas utility: Centerpoint Energy
Household income: \$147,000
Tax filing status: Married filing jointly
Household size: 3 people

[Edit household info](#)

[Heating, ventilation & cooling](#)

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Up to \$2,000 off a ductless heat pump

[Learn how to apply](#)

Xcel Energy Home Rebates

\$2,000 rebate for a cold climate ductless air source heat pump. \$1,600 for a standard efficiency ductless air source heat pump.

REBATE

Up to \$2,000 off an air source heat pump

[Learn how to apply](#)

Edina Community Climate Action Fund

50% utility rebate match for a cold climate air source heat pump, or 100% bonus match. +\$250 with air sealing/insulation. Edina residents only.

REBATE

Screenshot of Electrify Everything MN calculator

Impact by the Numbers – Capital Investment

- City Hall Energy Management
 - New solar PV anticipated to generate 200,000 kWh a year (~20% of electricity use)
 - Installed 1 new EV charger for Police EV fleet
- Fire Station #2 Sustainability
 - 28 geothermal wells
 - 150 kW solar PV
 - 3 Level-2 EV chargers installed
- Fleet Vehicle Conversion
 - 4 electric vehicles
 - 2 hybrid electric vehicles

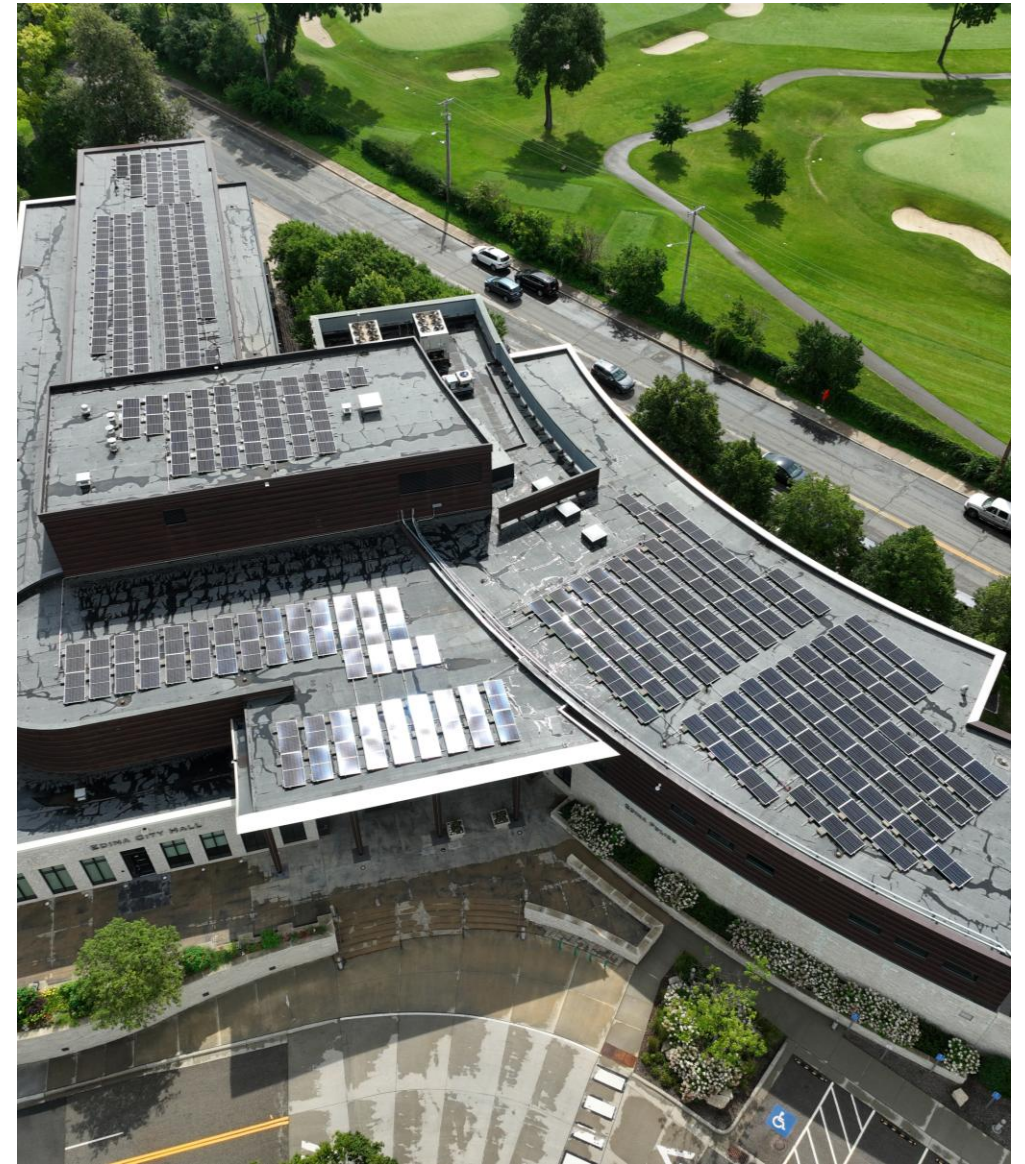


Photo of new City Hall rooftop solar

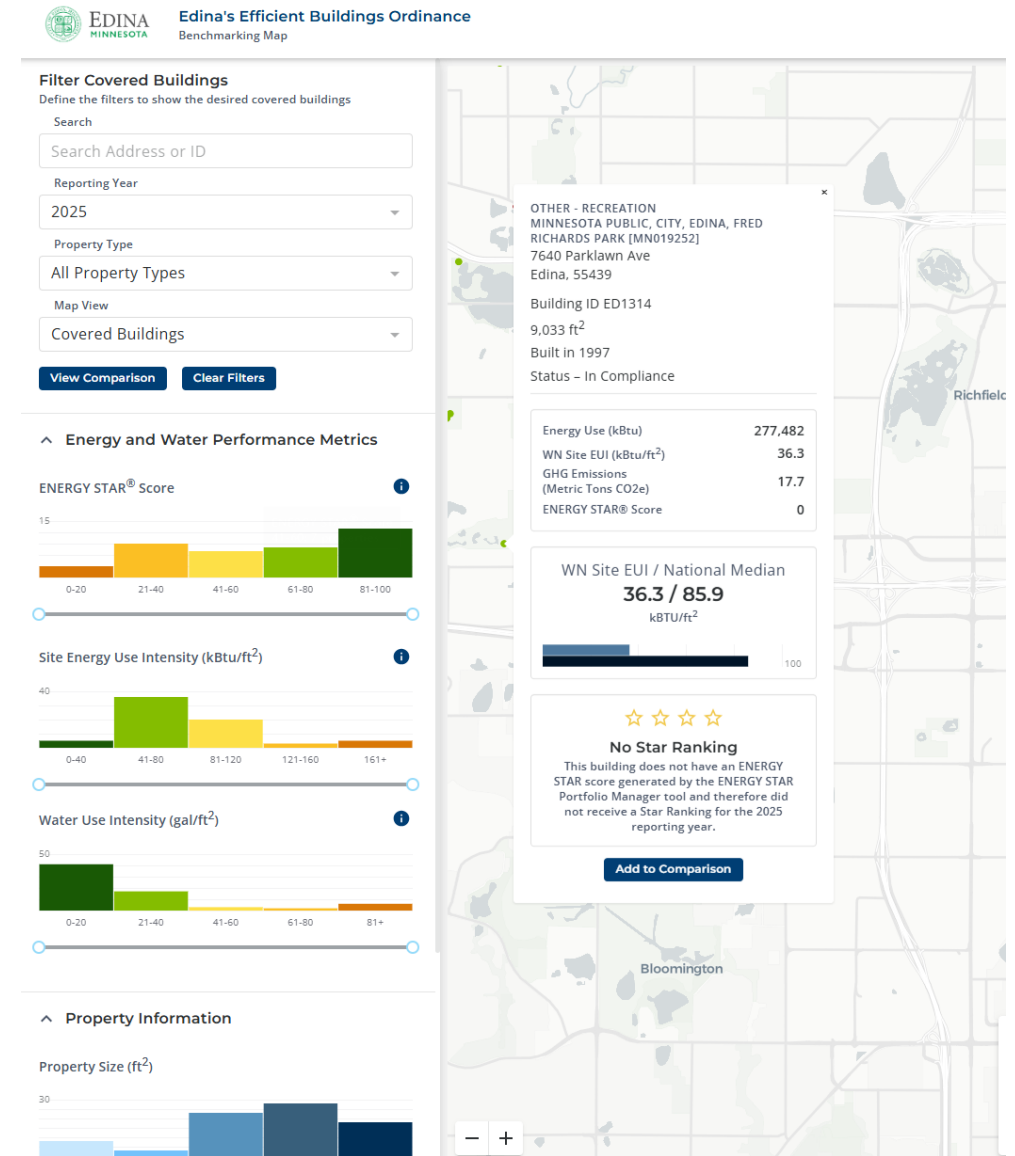


Impact by the Numbers – Policies

- Efficient Buildings Ordinance
 - 82% submitted
 - 75 buildings
- Sustainable Building Policy
 - 2 City projects
 - 2 private projects
- Carryout Bag Fee Ordinance
 - Two years of reporting completed
 - 2025: 60 businesses reported distributing 2.49 million bags



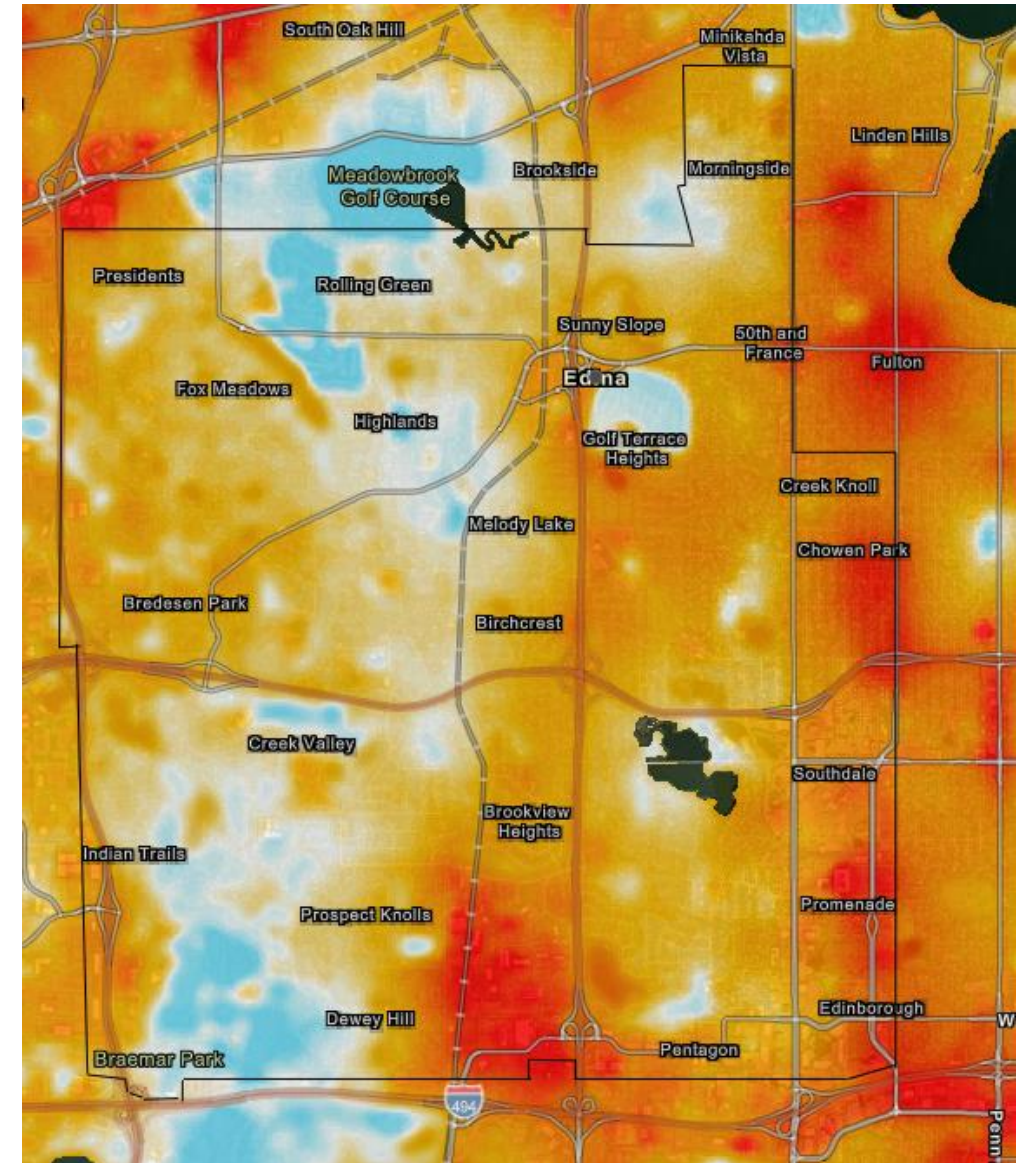
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Report: **Extreme Heat in Edina**

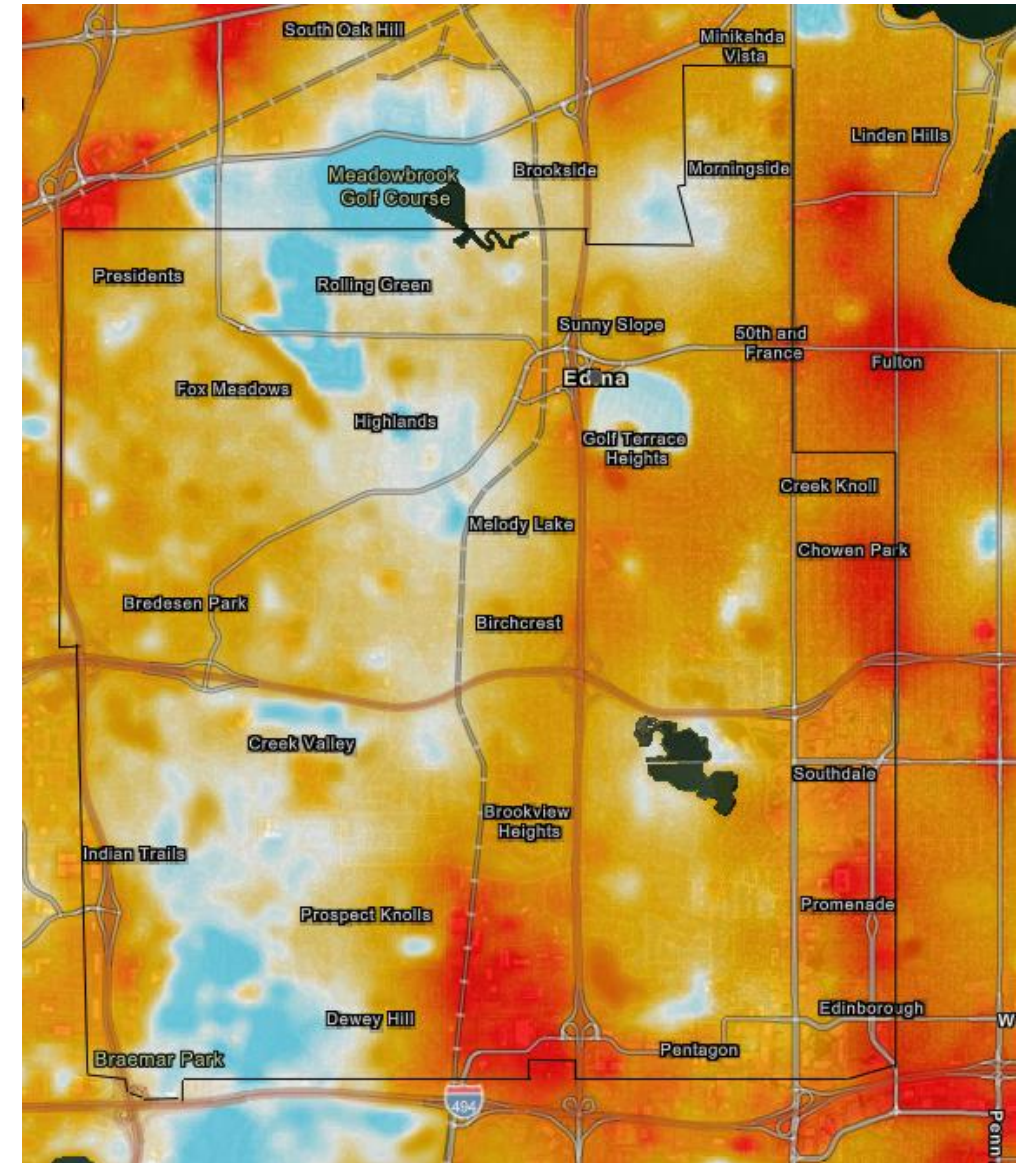
- Report completed by staff in 2025
- Evaluates extreme heat in Edina and locations with higher average temperature than others
- Data on local impacts to vulnerable populations, health impacts, and economic impacts
- Identifies mitigation and adaptation strategies currently being implemented and new opportunities



Map of Afternoon Temperature Model Twin Cities from “Mapping the Urban Heat Island” Project. Blue represents cooler temperatures and red represents the hottest temperatures.

Report: Extreme Heat in Edina

- What the data tells us:
 - Highest daytime temperatures in commercial and industrial areas with the lowest tree canopy and a lot of impervious pavements
 - High temperatures also exist in residential neighborhoods where a high number of residential redevelopment projects have occurred, and tree canopy has been reduced
 - Lowest daytime temperatures (upwards of 8 degrees cooler than the region) exist in the neighborhoods with high tree canopy or adjacent to parks and other green spaces



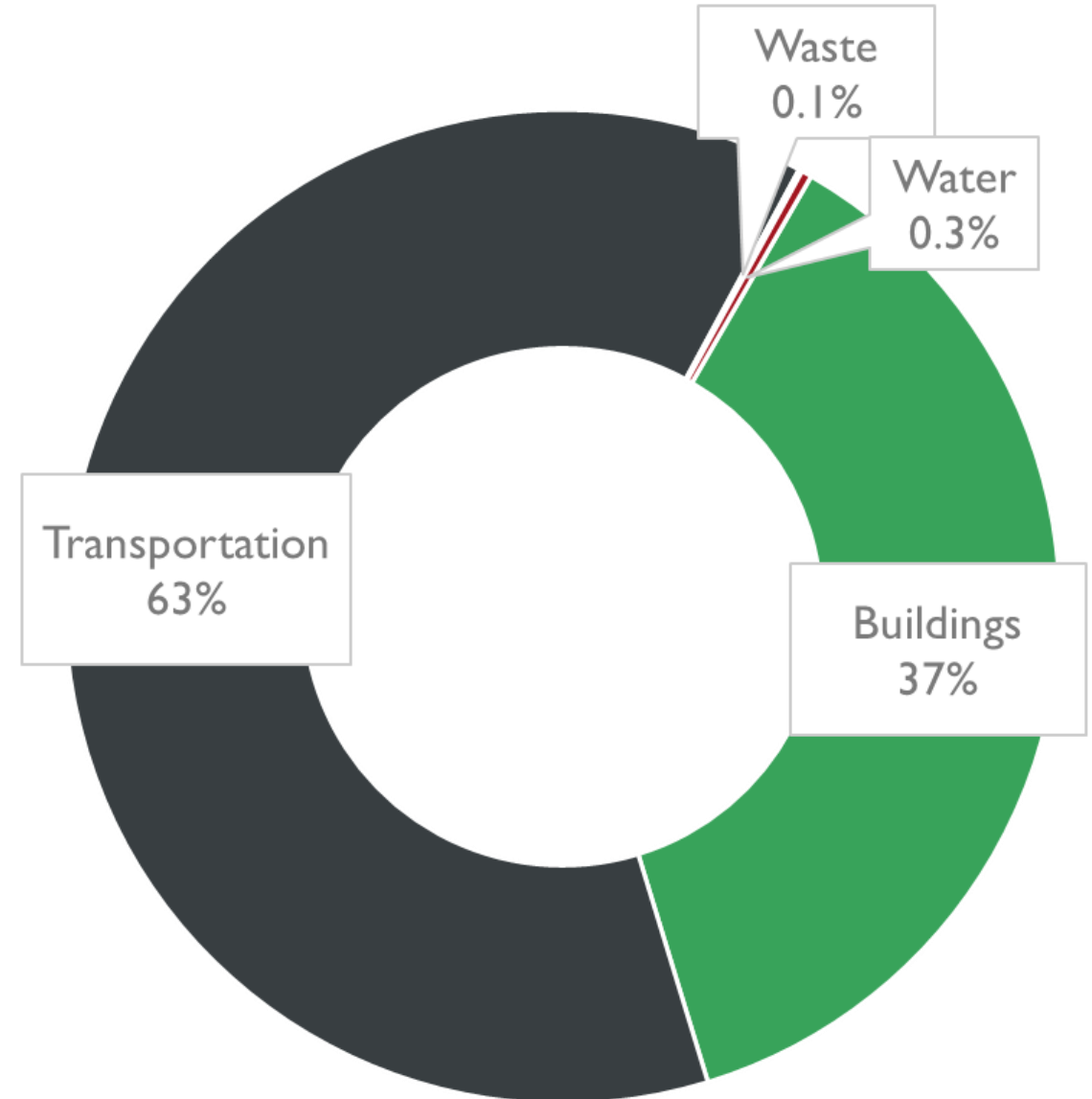
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Looking Ahead

- Maintain current reductions **and** reduce additional 196,865 MTCO₂e
 - Significant reductions needed in Transportation and Buildings sectors
- Leverage updated 2026-2030 work plan to focus efforts
 - Comprehensive Plan update
 - Capital Improvement Plan
 - Expand on lessons learned
 - Secure additional funding and staffing
- Complete updated greenhouse gas inventory

GHG Reductions Needed by 2030





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Item Number: 8.1

Department: Administration

Item Activity: Action

Prepared By: Sharon Allison, City Clerk

Item Title: Ordinance 2026-02: Amending Section 4-9-9; Repealing and Replacing Chapter 6 Article III Lawful Gambling of the Edina City Code

Action Requested:

1. Adopt Ordinance 2026-02 Amending Section 4-9-9; Repealing and Replacing Chapter 6 Article III Lawful Gambling of the Edina City Code and grant second reading.
2. Approve summary publication of Ordinance 2026-02.

Information/Background:

On February 17, 2026, staff brought forward a recommendation for final approval and second reading of Ordinance 2026-02, following Council's first reading on February 4, 2026. The first reading were for up to six (6) premises permits citywide and limiting organizations to one (1) premises permit each.

On Feb. 17, Council tabled the item and directed staff to:

- Inform the community of the delay; and
- Report back on:
 - The number of nonprofits operating in Edina and the level of revenue generated by those organizations

Community Awareness

The delay has been communicated informally through resident engagement. Staff received several phone inquiries regarding the absence of the item from the February 17 agenda. In addition, the Better Together Edina (BTE) webpage remained active for public input; one comment was received in support of the ordinance.

Nonprofit Landscape in Edina

A search of [ProPublica](#), which compiles IRS nonprofit filings, identifies approximately **391 nonprofits associated with Edina**. This figure is not exhaustive, as some organizations operate under umbrella entities or may not be easily identifiable by location. To better understand organizations most likely to have an interest in lawful gambling premises permits, staff identified a subset of nonprofits based on the following criteria:

- "Edina" included in the organization name
- Education-related organizations
- Athletic associations and booster clubs

A sample of those organizations, along with available financial data from IRS filings, is provided below.

Organization	Latest Year	Revenue
Edina Soccer Club	2024	\$1,868,187
The Edina Community Foundation	2023-24	\$810,870
Edina Education Fund	2024-25	\$448,216
Edina Give and Go	2024-25	\$421,928
Edina Athletic Booster Club	2024-25	\$320,728
Edina Hockey Association	2023-24	\$1,731,983
Edina Soccer Association	2024	\$542,521
Edina Basketball Association	2024-25	\$893,926
Edina Baseball Association	2025	\$679,313
Edina Lacrosse Association	2024	\$196,464
Edina Swim Club	2023-24	\$941,162
Edina Football Association	2024	\$413,595
Edina Girls Athletic Association	2024-25	-\$5,074

Note: Smaller organizations (e.g., PTOs and booster clubs) does not include detailed revenue information.

Comparable Charitable Gambling Activity

For additional context, [financial data](#) from charitable gambling operations in neighboring communities was reviewed. The table below summarizes activity over the past 12 months, including gross receipts, net receipts, rent paid, and net profits after state tax.

City / Organization / Site	Total Gross Receipts 2025	Total Net Receipts	Rent Paid to Leased Premises	Net Profits after State Tax	Type of Game(s)
Wayzata					
Wayzata Lions Club / Wayzata Bar and Grill	\$5,154,194.00	\$663,433.00	\$20,960.00	\$164,790.00	e/paper pull tabs
American Legion Post 118 / same	\$2,624,332.00	\$410,929.00	\$ -	\$197,976.00	e/paper pull tabs; paper bingo, paddlewheel
Minnetonka					

Eden Prairie Hockey Assc / Boom Island Brewing	\$113,923.00	\$24,143.00	\$3,834.00	\$8,628.00	e/paper pull tabs;eBingo
Hopkins Youth Hockey Assc / Scoreboard Bar and Grill	\$3,978,849.00	\$472,859.00	\$42,386.00	\$72,340.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; raffles; tipboards
Hopkins Youth Hockey Assc / Gold Nugget Tavern and Grill	\$24,886,398.00	\$3,175,067.00	\$279,438.00	\$449,415.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; raffles; paddlewheel; tipboards
Minnetonka Youth Hockey Assc Dukes on 7	\$5,138,086.00	\$689,340.00	\$30,363.00	\$154,310.00	e/paper pull tabs
Hopkins Football Booster Club / Unmapped Brewing	\$45,184.00	\$6,358.00	\$ -	\$354.00	e/paper pull tabs
Golden Valley					
Chester Bird Post 523 American Legion / same	\$2,874,967.00	\$451,946.00	\$ -	\$118,839.00	e/p pull; e/p bingo, paddle wheel (only 3 mths)
Hopkins Youth Hockey Assc / JJ's Clubhouse	\$9,092,447.00	\$1,131,007.00	\$70,682.00	\$106,702.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; paddlewheel; tipboards
St. Maron Church Mpls / Schullers Tavern	\$4,174,375.00	\$608,211.00	\$63,790.00	\$72,169.00	e/paper pull tabs; eBingo; tipboards
Eden Prairie					
Eden Prairie Hockey Assc / Champps	\$2,588,849.00	\$389,224.00	\$21,000.00	\$97,857.00	e/paper pull tabs
Eden Prairie Hockey Assc / Old Chicago Pizza	\$1,300,342.00	\$168,722.00	\$16,248.00	\$(20,179.00)	e/paper pull tabs

Eden Prairie Hockey Assc / TJ Hooligans	\$616,852.00	\$109,279.00	\$19,680.00	\$38,598.00	e/paper pull tabs
Eden Prairie Hockey Assc / Applebees	\$4,661,190.00	\$697,621.00	\$62,201.00	\$127,186.00	e/paper pull tabs
EPAM Rotary Foundation / Fat Pants Brewing	\$12,864.00	\$6,107.00	\$ -	\$5,352.00	Paper bingo
Hopkins					
VFW Post 425 Hopkins / same	\$4,482,775.00	\$595,500.00	\$ -	\$119,050.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; paddlewheel; tipboards
Hopkins Youth Hockey Assc Tuttle Hopkins Bowl	\$3,799,982.00	\$500,779.00	\$50,487.00	\$84,968.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; paddlewheel; tipboards
Hopkins Youth Hockey Assc / Mainstreet Bar	\$6,486,916.00	\$882,558.00	\$95,256.00	\$191,725.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; paddlewheel; tipboards
American Legion Post 320 Hopkins	\$2,486,649.00	\$298,684.00	\$ -	\$31,819.00	paper pull tabs; paddlewheel
Elks Lodge 2221 Hopkins / same	\$759,697.00	\$132,173.00	\$ -	\$57,149.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; paddlewheel;
Hopkins Raspberry Assc / Wild Boar Hopkins	\$7,164,897.00	\$869,433.00	\$90,497.00	\$47,706.00	e/paper pull tabs; e/pBingo; raffles
Hopkins Raspberry Assc / Pub 819	\$55,046.00	\$11,157.00	\$1,117.00	\$3,334.00	e/paper pull tabs
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 320 Hopkins / same	\$1,401,465.00	\$224,045.00	\$35,063.00	\$7,462.00	e/pull tabs; e/pBingo; tipboards

Resources/Financial Impacts:

Implementation of the ordinance is expected to result in modest administrative workload associated with processing permits, reviewing reports, and monitoring compliance. The proposed 3% local gambling tax is intended to offset the City's regulatory costs. In addition, the required 10% contribution of net profits to a City-administered fund could provide a modest revenue source to support Council-identified community priorities.

Relationship to City Policies/Plans/Budget Pillars:

None.

Values Impact:

	Engagement	Charitable gambling was requested by the community for consideration as a means for supporting non-profits in the community. Allowing charitable gambling could be seen as a means for individuals who are not connected on a day-to-day basis to still support non-profit groups. Bingo and other means of charitable gambling have been local opportunities for people to gather around the State of MN for decades.
	Equity	Allowing lawful gambling premises permits is intended to expand economic opportunity and support a range of nonprofit and community organizations that rely on lawful gambling revenues to fund their work. By increasing the number of permits, the City aims create a more equitable environment where more organizations have the potential to benefit from lawful gambling proceeds and reinvest those resources into local services, events, and programs that serve diverse segments of the Edina community. Demographically, according to the World Health Organization "People experiencing significant life events including separation, retirement, injury or the death of a loved one may be at increased risk. Social stressors such as poverty, discrimination or other disadvantage also increase risks. Heavy promotion of gambling online and through sport also poses risks of normalizing gambling for children and young people."
	Health	Lawful gambling can create social and financial benefits, but it also carries potential risks related to problem and compulsive gambling. Research shows that "...Minnesota ranks as the 13th most gambling-addicted state in the U.S..." and approximately 1% of Americans experience a gambling disorder, with additional percentages experiencing milder gambling-related problems; problem gambling can negatively affect mental health, relationships, and financial stability. There is a increased suicide risk associated with those with gambling addiction (according to the World Health Organization). Minnesota law requires licensed lawful gambling organizations to post problem gambling information prominently at the premises, including a toll-free helpline number established by the Commissioner of Human Services.

		This requirement helps ensure that patrons are aware of resources for help if gambling becomes problematic. To further mitigate health impacts and support community wellbeing, the Council could dedicate a portion of the statutorily dedicated “10% funds” to support community health initiatives, including nonprofit organizations focused on problem gambling prevention, mental health services, or addiction recovery programs or to community health. Staff recommend dedication conversations be considered later this year when we have a better idea of the revenue. Minnesota statute recognizes contributions to programs for the education, prevention, or treatment of problem gambling as a lawful use of gambling proceeds. In Edina, establishing proactive partnerships with local public health or behavioral health nonprofits to receive contributions from gambling proceeds could strengthen prevention and support efforts tailored to residents.
	Stewardship	Stewardship principles were applied by balancing community values, regulatory compliance, and fiscal responsibility. The ordinance aligns with state regulations for lawful gambling conduct and posting requirements, ensuring that permitted premises operate safely and transparently while protecting vulnerable populations. Expanding the number of permitted premises was evaluated in light of potential benefits (support for community organizations and local causes) and responsibilities (awareness of addiction risks and compliance with posting and conduct rules). The ordinance framework encourages responsible use of gambling proceeds for lawful purposes that benefit the broader community and includes mechanisms — such as posting problem gambling information and considering contributions to health-related initiatives — that reflect prudent stewardship of allowable gambling activities within the City of Edina.

Supporting Documentation:

Documents marked with "Board Portal" do not meet [ADA Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(URL\)](#) and are not included in the public packet. To request a board portal document, please [submit a data request \(URL\)](#).

1. Staff Presentation, Feb. 4, 2026
2. Lawful Gambling Opportunities for Organizations to Benefit
3. Staff Presentation, Jan. 20, 2026



The City Council of Edina, Minnesota ordains:

Section 1. Chapter 4, Section 4-9-9, paragraph (c) of the Edina City Code, related to prohibited conditions in licensed liquor establishments, is amended to read as follows:

c. Gambling prohibited. Except for lawful gambling conducted in accordance with chapter 6, article III of this code, gambling Gambling is prohibited in licensed premises.

Section 2. Chapter 6, Article III, relating to Law Gambling, is repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following.

Sec. 6-60. Adoption of state law by reference.

The provisions of Minn. Stat. ch. 349, as they may be amended from time to time, are hereby adopted by reference and are made a part of this ordinance as if set out in full. It is the intention of the Council that all future amendments of Minn. Stat. ch. 349, are hereby adopted by reference or referenced as if they had been in existence at the time this ordinance was adopted.

Sec. 6-61. City may be more restrictive than state law.

The Council is authorized by the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 349.213, as it may be amended from time to time, to impose, and has imposed in this ordinance, additional restrictions on gambling within its limits beyond those contained in Minn. Stat. ch. 349, as it may be amended from time to time.

Sec. 6-62. Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate lawful gambling within the City of Edina, to prevent its commercialization, to ensure the integrity of operations, and to provide for the use of net profits only for lawful purposes.

Sec. 6-63. Definitions.

In addition to the definitions contained in Minn. Stat. § 349.12, as it may be amended from time to time, the following terms are defined for purposes of this ordinance:

BOARD means the State of Minnesota Gambling Control Board.

CITY means the City of Edina.

COUNCIL means the city council of the City of Edina.

LICENSED ORGANIZATION means an organization licensed by the Board.

PREMISES PERMIT means a permit issued by the Board and approved by the city council allowing lawful gambling at a specific location.

TRADE AREA means a geographic area comprised of the City of Edina and each city contiguous to the city.

Sec. 6-64. Applicability.

This ordinance regulates all forms of lawful gambling within the city except bingo conducted in a nursing home or senior citizen housing project under the conditions set forth in Minn. Stat. § 349.166, subd. 1(b).

Sec. 6-65. Lawful gambling permitted.

Lawful gambling is permitted within the city provided that it is conducted in accordance with Minn. Stat. §§ 609.75–.763, inclusive, as they may be amended from time to time, and Minn. Stat. §§ 349.11–.23, inclusive, as they may be amended from time to time, and this Article III.

Sec. 6-66. Application and approval of premises permits.

- a. Application. The Board will notify the city when a licensed organization applies for a premises permit under Minn. Stat. ch. 349. The organization seeking to obtain a premises permit from the Board must file with the city clerk a duplicate of its licensing application and premises permit application as filed with the state, including all exhibits and documents accompanying the application.
- b. Investigation. The city clerk shall transmit the application to the chief of police or designee for review and recommendation. The chief of police or designee will investigate the matter and make a recommendation to the city council no later than 45 days following the city's receipt of the application materials.
- c. The city clerk will notify the applicant in writing of the date on which the council will consider the recommendation. The council must by resolution approve or disapprove the application within 60 days of the city's receipt of the application. The council shall deny an application for issuance of a premises permit or for reissuance of a premises permit after suspension, revocation or other termination, for any of the following reasons:
 1. The organization has violated any state statute, state rule, or city ordinance relating to gambling within the last three (3) years.
 2. The entity leasing its premises to the applicant organization has violated any state statute, state rule, or city ordinance relating to the operation of the establishment, including, but not limited to, laws relating to alcoholic beverages, gambling, controlled substances, or protection of public safety within the last three (3) years.
 3. Lawful gambling would be conducted at a premises where there is not a written lease between the on-sale establishment and the licensed organization for a term of at least one (1) year.
 4. Operation of gambling at the site would be detrimental to health, safety, and welfare of the community.

Otherwise, the council shall pass a resolution approving the application.

Sec. 6-67. License and permit display.

All permits issued under state law and local permits issued under this ordinance must be prominently displayed at the premises where gambling is conducted for the duration of the permit.

Sec. 6-68. Notification of material changes to application.

A licensed organization holding a state-issued premises permit shall notify the city within ten (10) days in writing whenever any material change is made in the information submitted on the application.

Sec. 6-69. Local gambling tax

- a. A local gambling tax of three percent (3%) per year is imposed on the gross receipts of a licensed organization from all lawful gambling less prizes actually paid out by the organization.
- b. The tax shall be paid by the organization on a monthly basis and shall be reported on a copy of the monthly gambling activity summary and tax return filed with the Minnesota Department of Revenue. The report shall be an exact duplicate of the report filed with the Department, without deletions or additions, and must contain the signatures of organization officials as required on the report form.
- c. The tax return and payment of the tax due must be postmarked, or, if hand-delivered, received in the city finance office, on or before the last business day of the month following the month for which the report is made.
- d. An incomplete tax return will not be considered timely filed unless corrected and returned by the due date for filing.
- e. Interest shall be charged at a rate of eight percent (8%) on all overdue taxes owed by the organization under this section.

Sec. 6-70. Contribution of net profits to fund administered by city.

Each organization licensed to conduct lawful gambling within the city pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 349.16, as it may be amended from time to time, shall contribute ten percent (10%) of its net profits derived from lawful gambling in the city to a fund administered and regulated by the city without cost to the fund. The city shall disburse the funds for charitable contributions as defined by Minn. Stat. § 349.12, subd. 7a, as it may be amended from time to time. Payment under this section shall be made on the last day of each month. The city's use of such funds shall be determined at the time of adoption of the city's annual budget or when the budget is amended.

Section 6-71. Designated trade area.

- a. Each organization licensed to conduct gambling within the city shall expend seventy percent (70%) of its lawful purpose expenditures on lawful purposes conducted within the city's trade area.
- b. This section applies only to lawful purpose expenditures of gross profits derived from gambling conducted at a premises within the city's jurisdiction.

Section 6-72. Records and reporting.

- a. Licensed organizations conducting lawful gambling shall file with the city finance director one copy of all records and reports required to be filed with the Board, pursuant to Minn. Stat. ch. 349, as it may be amended from time to time, and rules adopted pursuant thereto, as they may be amended from time to time. The records and reports shall be filed on or before the day they are required to be filed with the Board.
- b. Organizations licensed by the Board shall file a report with the city finance director proving compliance with the trade area spending requirements imposed by section 6-72. The report shall be made on a form prescribed by the city and shall be submitted annually.

Section 6-73. Gambling excluded or exempted from state licensing.

- a. Except as allowed by section 6-64 of this code, an organization that conducts lawful gambling that is exempt or excluded from state licensing requirements under Minn. Stat. § 349.166, as it may be amended from time to time, must comply with the requirements of this section 6-73 and of section 6-74.
- b. An organization that will conduct bingo excluded from state licensing must provide the city clerk with the application required by the state for the conduct of excluded bingo, at least 30 days prior to the first date on which the excluded bingo event will occur.
- c. An organization that will conduct lawful gambling exempted from state licensing must provide the city clerk with the application for exempt permit required by the state, at least 30 days prior to the date of the gambling event.
- d. The city clerk shall provide a copy of the notification or application received pursuant to subdivisions (b), (c) or (d) above to the chief of police for information.

Section 6-74. Hours of operation.

Lawful gambling shall not be conducted between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. on any day of the week.

Section 6-75. Penalty.

Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance; or Minn. Stat. §§ 609.75-609.763, inclusive, as they may be amended from time to time; or Minn. Stat. §§ 349.11-349.21, as they may be amended from time to time; or any rules promulgated under those sections, as they may be amended from time to time, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days, or both, plus in either case the costs of prosecution. In addition, violations involving licensed organizations shall be reported to the Board and recommendation shall be made for suspension, revocation, or cancellation of an organization's license.

Section 6-76. Severability.

If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected.

Sections 6-78 – 6-90. Reserved.

Section 3. Effective date. This ordinance becomes effective immediately.

First Reading: February 17, 2026

Second Reading: April 7, 2026

Published: April 16, 2026

Summary for Publication:

Ordinance 2026-02: Amending Section 4-9-9; Repealing and Replacing Chapter 6 Article III Lawful Gambling of the Edina City Code

Ordinance 2026-02 amends Chapter 4, Section 4-9-9 to lawful gambling in licensed liquor establishments, and Chapter 6, Article III Lawful Gambling is repealed and replaced to allow premises permit gambling and modification to exempt gambling.

The full ordinances are available by contacting the City Clerk at sallison@EdinaMN.gov.

Approved for summary publication by the Edina City Council April 7, 2026.



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Lawful Gambling

Repealing and Replacing Ordinance

February 4, 2026

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Staff Recommendation

- Repeal and replace Lawful Gambling Ordinance
- Allow 3 Premises Permits initially (to pilot and understand the administrative process and workload) **Allow more than 3, allow 2 permits per location, limit the number of premises permits for a single organization**
 - Nonprofit organizations located in Edina
 - 70% of net gambling proceed spent in the trade areas
 - 3% gambling tax to cover the cost of regulating lawful gambling
 - 10% of net profit to a City-administer fund
- Eliminate background checks for exempt lawful gambling and replace with Gambling Board process
- Amend the Liquor Ordinance to allow lawful gambling





Staff Report

Date: February 4, 2026
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Sharon Allison, City Clerk
Subject: Lawful Gambling – Opportunities for Organizations to Benefit

Information/Background:

At the Council's request, staff researched how multiple nonprofit organizations may benefit from lawful gambling and whether a nonprofit could obtain a premises permit at a location where space is leased from the City. This memo summarizes what is allowed under state law, the limits on City authority, and policy options for Council consideration.

Sharing or Coordinating Lawful Gambling Proceeds

The City cannot provide legal advice to individual organizations regarding how they may share gambling proceeds. However, staff identified several ways that more than one organization could benefit from lawful gambling without increasing the number of gambling locations in the city.

First, state law allows more than one premises permit to be issued for a single location, however, a premises permit cannot be shared. If Council wishes to allow this, the City could amend the ordinance to clarify limits, such as a maximum number of locations citywide, for example 3, and a maximum number of permits per location, for example two. This would allow two organizations to conduct lawful gambling at the same site; however, it is unknown whether liquor establishments or the organizations would want two organizations to compete at the same location.

Second, licensed organizations may contribute gambling proceeds to other charitable organizations, provided the contributions meet lawful purposes under state law. The City's ordinance already requires that 70 percent of expenditures occur within the City's trade area. However, the City cannot require organizations to give to specific recipients and would be relying on voluntary decisions by each organization.

Third, the City currently requires licensed organizations to contribute 10 percent of net profits to a City-administered charitable fund. The City must distribute these funds for lawful charitable purposes. Some, but not all, local nonprofits may qualify to receive distributions from this fund.

Lastly, the Council could increase the number of locations allowed or limit the number of premises permits that the Council would approve for a single organization.



Premises Permit at a City-Leased Facility

A nonprofit could obtain a premises permit at a location where space is leased from the City, provided the lease is amended to allow lawful gambling activities and all state and local requirements are met.

BetterTogether Feedback on the Ordinance

The ordinance was posted on the website Jan. 27-Feb. 3. The webpage had 23 visits, but none provided any feedback.



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Lawful Gambling

Repealing and Replacing Ordinance
January 20, 2026

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Background & Need for Change

- Current ordinance regulates **exempt gambling events only**
- **Does not allow premises permits**
- **June 2025, the Edina Education Fund**



What Is Being Proposed

- **Repeal and replace** the City's lawful gambling ordinance
- **Amend Chapter 4 Liquor Ordinance**
- These changes would:
 - Allow premises permits.
 - Clarify that lawful gambling may occur in on-sale liquor establishments.
 - Align with the **state-administered lawful gambling framework.**
 - Simplify local administration for exempt gambling.



Premises Permit Framework

- **City Council approval required**
- **Initial limit:** Three (3) premises permits citywide.
- **Eligibility:** Only nonprofit organizations located within Edina's jurisdiction.
- **Trade Area Requirement:**
 - At least **70% of net gambling proceeds** must be spent within the trade area.
 - Trade areas include Edina and all contiguous cities.



Financial & Regulatory Requirements

- **Local Gambling Tax:**
 - Up to **3%** of gross receipts minus prizes paid.
 - Cover the cost of regulating lawful gambling.
 - Staff recommend the full 3%.
- **Net Profit Contribution:**
 - **10% of net profit** contributed to a City-administered fund.
 - Use of funds determined by Council
- **Regulatory Oversight:**
 - Gambling Control Board and Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement perform primary oversight.
 - Council approves or denies the **location** by resolution.
 - No separate City application; applicants submit a duplicate of their state application to the City.



Exempt Gambling Permits - Proposed Changes

- Increase from **2 to 4 per year**.
- Eliminate local application and background checks.
- Rely on the Gambling Control Board's review and City sign-off on the LG220 form.
- If the current process is retained, increase the application fee from **\$15 to \$50**.



Staff Recommendation

- Repeal and replace Lawful Gambling Ordinance
- Amend the Liquor Ordinance to allow lawful gambling
- Allow 3 Premises Permits
 - Nonprofit organizations located in Edina
 - 70% of net gambling proceed spent in the trade areas
 - 3% gambling tax to cover the cost of regulating lawful gambling
 - 10% of net profit to a City-administer fund
- Increase exempt permits and eliminate the application and background process





Item Number: 9.1

Prepared By: Energy & Environment Commission

Item Activity: Information

Item Title: Advisory Communication: E-Bike Regulation

Approved Work Plan Item: No

Council Charge: N/A

The Edina Energy and Environment Commission supports the Transportation Commission's recommendation to amend Edina City Code Sec. 26-282 by removing the prohibition on electric-assisted bicycles operating on sidewalks.

E-bikes are an important tool for reducing short car trips and expanding access to low-carbon transportation. They allow more residents—including older adults, families, and people who may not otherwise bike—to choose an energy-efficient alternative to driving.

Transportation is one of the largest sources of community greenhouse gas emissions. Edina's Climate Action Plan calls for reducing emissions 45% by 2030 and reaching net-zero by 2050, and increasing the use of low-carbon transportation options is a key part of that effort.

Policies that unnecessarily limit where e-bikes can safely operate can discourage their adoption. In communities where the bike network is still developing, allowing responsible sidewalk riding in appropriate situations can make e-bikes a more practical alternative to short vehicle trips.

Additional communication and education is needed for e-bike safety and regulation, including speed limits and yielding to pedestrians. To accomplish this, we recommend additional signage is installed on high-use sidewalks to remind users of these safety measures.

To achieve the City's Climate Action Plan goals and maintain safety of bicyclists and pedestrians, the City Council must increase investment in protected bicycle facilities.

For these reasons, the Energy and Environment Commission supports the Transportation Commission's recommendation and encourages Council to consider this change in the context of Edina's broader climate and sustainability goals.

Items not on the approved work plan: Council action is rarely taken mid-year for items not on the current approved work plan. Action is only taken if Council chooses to discuss the Advisory Communication at the Council meeting and provides specific direction through a Council vote. Commissions are encouraged to submit new initiative proposals through the annual work plan process.

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None



Item Number: 9.2

Prepared By: Energy & Environment Commission

Item Activity: Information

Item Title: Advisory Communication: Support Mitigation and Adaptation Solutions Listed in Edina's Extreme Heat Report

Approved Work Plan Item: Yes

Council Charge: Review & Comment

Action Requested:

Consider appropriating sufficient funding from the city budget and staff resources to implement the mitigation and adaptation solutions identified in their Extreme Heat Report developed by the city's Sustainability Division.

Background:

With the aim not only to mitigate climate change, but to make the city more resilient to the risk that climate change could bring to our community, the city published in 2021 its Climate Action Plan.

The plan identified extreme heat and weather as one of the top 5 risks the city would face in the changing climate we are currently living. Among the different sectors the plan covers, it identified 6 strategies regarding Greenspaces & Trees and Climate Health & Safety to help the city mitigate these risks and adapt our built environment to reduce their impacts in our community.

Assessment:

Edina's Extreme Heat Report developed by the Sustainability Division of the city includes a clear assessment that shows that the areas with the highest temperature during the day are also those with the lowest tree canopy and a lot of impervious pavements. These areas can be more than 10 degrees hotter than the Twin Cities' average in the summer.

Recently published decade-long research on green spaces, concluded that urban green spaces are increasingly recognized as effective nature-based solutions (NBS) to mitigate urban heat through cooling mechanism such as shading, evaporation and enhanced albedo. The study concluded that green spaces could lower temperature by 2-12° F, influenced by vegetation type, spatial configuration, and urban morphology.

Additionally, the CDC considers that as heat endangers human health in many ways, tools and programs that will help protect public from these events need to be developed by communities, like communication strategies, cooling centers, distribution of relief kits, etc.

Since this increase in temperature can have both health and economic impacts in the city, the report

has identified new opportunities, with an important number of them around greenspaces, trees, and health related programs, that would help the Edina improve its resilience.

Recommendation:

Extreme heat is the leading weather-related cause of death in the United States, and its numbers are expected to increase as these events become more frequent and intense due to climate change. Therefore, the Energy and Environment Commission urge the City Council to allocate city budget funds and staff resources in next budget and work plan process to support extreme heat mitigation and adaptation strategies, with a priority to:

1. Create emergency response plans to address extreme heat events;
2. Increase engagement resources and heat relief tools to equip Edina residents to prepare for extreme heat;
3. Expand the availability of cooling centers using a city facility; and
4. Expand programs to preserve and expand the tree canopy in areas with low density and create a new incentive-based pavement conversation program.

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