

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL - WORKSHOP MAPLE PLAIN CITY HALL July 28, 2025 5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske, Councilmember Mike DeLuca, Councilmember Connie Francis, Councilmember Andrew Burak, & Councilmember Rochelle Arvizo

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Jacob Kolander, Assistant City Administrator Kevin Larson, Fire Chief Rick Denneson, Director of Public Safety Matt DuRose, and City Planner Mark Kaltsas.

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Councilmember Francis made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Burak.

Voting Yea: Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske, Councilmember Mike DeLuca, Councilmember Connie Francis, Councilmember Andrew Burak, & Councilmember Rochelle Arvizo

Motion Passed 5-0

3. DISCUSSION

A. Meadows of Maple Plain HOA discussion

City Administrator Kolander summarized the intent of the Meadows Homeowners Association Board for the City to consider assuming ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the private street, utilities, and outlot B within their subdivision. The key considerations include the right-of-way requirements, entrance island removal, the transfer of reserve funds, and future reconstruction costs.

Concerns over setting a precedent, finding a benefit for the rest of the residents of Maple Plain, and the cost of funding a capital improvement for road replacement if the City takes ownership of the private road.

B. Fire Merger Discussion

City Administrator Kolander summarized the current state of the Fire merger. Outlining the key developments with the transition team work, budget overview, the fire station lease, and the next steps for the Council.

The Council expressed concerns with the term limits, rephrasing the act of merging to consolidation, dissolving the fire relief, and the need for consistent talking points for the Council to utilize.

Council direction: continue to move forward with the consolidation.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

5. FUTURE WORKSHOP TOPICS

- A. 2026 Budget 1st Draft
- B. Park Improvements Oak Street Tot Lot & Discovery Center Play Ground
- C. Code of Conduct
- D. Parking Regulations
- E. City Hall Building
- F. No Mow May Discussion

6. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Francis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Burak.

Voting Yea: Mayor Maas-Kusske, Councilmember DeLuca, Councilmember Francis, Councilmember Burak & Councilmember Arvizo.

Motion Passed 5-0.

Council Adjourned at 6:38

I, the undersigned, Jacob Kolander, City Administrator in and for the City of Maple Plain, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is e true and correct copy of the minutes.

Respectfully submitted by: