



MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**June 1, 2026 - 6:00 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

1. Call to order, moment of silence and flag pledge

Mayor Hellier called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Roll Call

Members Present: Mayor Hellier, Council Members Bermel, Lee, Volk, Wolter

Staff Present: Justin Miller, City Administrator; Andrea McDowell Poehler, City Attorney; Julie Stahl, Finance Director; Joe Masiarchin, Parks & Recreation Director; Allyn Kuennen, Assistant City Administrator; Ann Orlofsky, City Clerk; Brad Paulson, Police Chief; Paul Oehme, Public Works Director; Tina Goodroad, Community Development Director

3. Citizen Comments

None

4. Additional agenda information

None

5. Presentations/Introductions

a. Recognition of City Administrator Justin Miller for Service on the League of Minnesota Cities Board

Luke Fischer, Executive Director of the League of Minnesota Cities, and Wendy Berry, West St. Paul City Council Member and member of the League of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors, recognized City Administrator Justin Miller for his service and leadership on the League of Minnesota Cities Board of Directors.

b. Parks & Recreation Quarterly Report

Park and Recreation Director Joe Masiarchin presented the Park and Recreation Quarterly Report.

6. Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Bermel, seconded by Wolter, to remove Item G, Renewal of 2026 Liquor Licenses, from the Consent Agenda for discussion and to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Voice vote was taken on the motion. Ayes - Hellier, Bermel, Lee, Volk, Wolter

a. Check Register Summary

- b. Minutes of the 05/18/2026 City Council Meeting**
- c. Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for Engineering and Construction for the Lake Marion Greenway from Ritter Farm Park to Downtown Lakeville**
- d. Approve Contracts for 192nd Street Trail and Retaining Wall Reconstruction**
- e. Approval of Joint Powers Agreement with Dakota County for Post-Election Review**
- f. Resolution Authorizing Temporary Closing of City Streets for Pan-O-Prog Events**
- g. ~~Renewal of Liquor Licenses 2026~~**
- h. Extension of on-sale liquor license premise at Babe's for Pan-O-Prog events**
- i. Proposals from St. Croix Recreation for the Purchase of Playground Equipment for Dakota Heights and Valley Lake Parks**
- j. Temporary On-Sale Liquor License to Lakeville Lions for Pan-O-Prog Events**
- k. Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submittal of a 2026 Regional Solicitation Funding Application to the Metropolitan Council for the Dodd Boulevard Modernization Project**
- l. Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submittal of a 2026 Active Transportation Program Application to the Metropolitan Council for the Lake Marion Greenway - Downtown Sidewalk Improvements Project**
- m. Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submittal of a 2026 Regional Solicitation Funding Application to the Metropolitan Council for the Lake Marion Greenway - South Creek**

- n. Professional Services Proposal for Preliminary Geotechnical Investigation for the Satellite Water Treatment Plant**
- o. Agreement with M&A Bauer Salvage for Dakota Heights Park and Valley Lake Park Playground Removals**
- p. Approval of Change Order 1 for the 2026 Miscellaneous Project**
- q. Resolution Accepting Donations to the Lakeville Parks & Recreation Department in the 2nd Quarter of 2026**
- r. Proposals from Webber Recreational Design, Inc. for the Purchase and Installation of Playground Equipment for Bracketts Crossing Park**
- s. Approve ALF Ambulance 2027 Budget**
- t. Brian Wellert - Valvoline Instant Oil Change - Conditional Use Permit**
- u. Joint Powers Agreement with Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization for Watershed Partner Project Maintenance and Repair Financial Assistance Program**
- v. Proposal from Twin Cities Recreation, Inc. for Dakota Heights Playground Installation**
- w. Proposal from Twin Cities Recreation, Inc. for Valley Lake Park Playground Installation**

7. Action Items

- a. Renewal of Liquor Licenses 2026**
Councilmember Wolter abstained from discussion and voting on the renewal of the 2026 liquor licenses, as his employer is included among the license holders.

Motion was made by Lee, seconded by Volk, to approve the renewal of the 2026 liquor licenses as presented.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Ayes - Hellier, Bermel, Lee, Volk,
Abstained: Councilmember Wolter

b. Recommendation to Rename the Casperson Park Outdoor Performance Stage to the Doug & Deb Anderson Ampitheatre

Park and Recreation Director Joe Masiarchin explained that the Parks and Recreation Department has an established Park Naming and Memorials Policy that provides procedures for naming and, in certain cases, renaming park facilities. He noted that the City had received a request to rename the outdoor performance stage at Casperson Park in honor of former Mayor Doug Anderson. In recognition of Deb Anderson's continued volunteerism and contributions to the community, staff recommended that she also be recognized through the renaming. Masiarchin stated that the Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Committee reviewed the request at its May 20, 2026, meeting and unanimously recommended approval.

Councilmembers discussed the City's park naming policies. It was noted that Mayor Anderson had been a strong supporter of the Park Referendum and was an avid bicyclist. Councilmembers suggested that a future naming opportunity associated with the Dakota County trailhead could also be considered.

Motion was made by Bermel, seconded by Wolter, to approve the recommendation to rename the Casperson Park Outdoor Performance Stage to the Doug and Deb Anderson Amphitheater.

Roll call was taken on the motion. Ayes - Hellier, Bermel, Lee, Volk, Wolter

c. Early Voting Administration Options Following State Legislative Changes

City Clerk Ann Orlofsky presented the staff report regarding early voting administration options following recent state legislative changes.

Phil Wilson, 17320 Halifax Path, encouraged the City to implement a robust public information campaign to ensure residents remain informed and engaged in the voting process.

Karen Miller, 17985 Jacquard Path, encouraged the Council to take advantage of the efficiencies and cost savings associated with the 18-day early voting model.

Steven Shore, 9370 176th Street West, a candidate for Minnesota State Senate, spoke on the importance of voter participation and ensuring continued access to voting opportunities for residents.

Councilmembers discussed the importance of voter education and emphasized the need for a comprehensive communication campaign to ensure residents are aware of the changes to in-person voting and understand the available voting options.

Motion was made by Wolter, seconded by Bermel, to adopt a resolution electing to administer the 18-day in-person early voting model in accordance with Minnesota election law and authorizing staff to notify Dakota County and implement the transition.

Voice vote was taken on the motion. Ayes - Hellier, Bermel, Lee, Volk, Wolter

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

None

10. Council/Committee Updates

Lee — Fire Relief Board is planning a waffle breakfast during Pan-O-Prog.

Bermel - ALF Annual Board meeting met and is recommending approval its annual budget by the City Council.

Wolter - I-35W Solutions received funding for two interchange improvement projects in Lakeville.

11. Announcements

a. Next City Council Meeting June 15, 2026

12. Adjourn

Motion was made by Volk, seconded by Lee, to adjourn by 6:45 p.m.

Voice vote was taken on the motion. Ayes - Hellier, Bermel, Lee, Volk, Wolter

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Orlofsky, City Clerk

Luke M. Hellier, Mayor