



City of Naperville

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

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PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES: The citizen participation guidelines are outlined in 1-5-6-6: - CITIZEN PARTICIPATION of the Naperville Municipal Code.

ALL VIEWPOINTS AND OPINIONS WELCOME: All viewpoints are welcome, positive comments and constructive criticism are encouraged. Speakers must refrain from harassing or directing threats or personal attacks at Council members, staff, other speakers or members of the public. Comments made to intentionally disrupt the meeting may be managed as necessary to maintain appropriate decorum and allow for city business to be accomplished.

SPEAKER TIME LIMITS: Speakers must limit their remarks to no more than three minutes. Petitioners may speak on an agenda item first and have up to 10 minutes and are also granted a five-minute rebuttal once all other speakers have commented.

IF YOU SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, staff will call your name at the appropriate time during the City Council meeting. Once your name is called you may identify yourself for the public record and then address remarks to the City Council as a whole. Speak clearly and try to limit remarks directly to the matter under discussion. Speakers are called in the order they sign up.

A. CALL TO ORDER:**B. ROLL CALL:**

Present: 7 - Mayor Scott Wehrli
Councilwoman Mary Gibson
Councilman Ian Holzhauer
Councilman Patrick Kelly
Councilman Josh McBroom
Councilman Ashfaq Syed
Councilman Benjamin White

Absent: 1 - Councilman Nathan Wilson

C. CLOSED SESSION - 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to recess to Closed Session to discuss [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)] Approval of Minutes and [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) Sale of Property. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Wehrli, Gibson, Holzhauer, Kelly, McBroom, Syed, and White

Absent: 1 - Wilson

OPEN SESSION - 7:00 p.m.

D. ROLL CALL:

Present: 9 - Mayor Scott Wehrli
Councilwoman Mary Gibson
Councilman Ian Holzhauer
Councilman Patrick Kelly
Councilman Josh McBroom
Councilman Ashfaq Syed
Councilman Benjamin White
Councilman Nathan Wilson

Also Present

City Manager Doug Krieger; Deputy City Manager Pam Gallahue; City Attorney Mike DiSanto; City Clerk Dawn Portner; Deputy Fire Chief Phil Giannattasio; Police Chief Jason Arres; Director Finance Raymond Munch; Director of IT Jacqueline Nguyen; Director of TED Jennifer Loudon; Deputy Director of TED Allison Laff; Director of Public Utilities - Electric Brian Groth; Director of Public Utilities - Water Darrell Blenniss; Director of Community Services Melanie Marcordes; Director of Communications Linda LaCloche.

Daily Herald, Naperville Sun, NCTV-17

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to allow Councilwoman Gibson to participate via teleconference due to illness. The motion carried by a voice vote.

E. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to move I 28 (Adopt a resolution to appoint Supna Jain to fill the City Council vacancy) to the next item on the Agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to adopt the resolution appointing Supna Jain to fill the City Council vacancy. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Wehrli, Gibson, Holzhauer, Kelly, McBroom, Syed, White, and Wilson

Jain was sworn in by the Honorable Judge Jennifer L. Barron

Councilwoman Jain gave introductory remarks.

F. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

1. Proclaim September 15 - October 15, 2025 as Hispanic Heritage Month in Naperville

The proclamation was presented by Councilman Holzhauer.

2. Proclaim October 2, 2025 as the Retirement of Dick Dublinski

SPEAKER

Marilyn Schweitzer (Naperville) thanked Director Dick Dublinski for his years of service to the City of Naperville.

The proclamation was presented by Mayor Wehrli.

G. PUBLIC FORUM:***SPEAKERS***

Power supply

James Fillar (Naperville) discussed recent PUAB meetings with IMEA representatives for the renewal of the IMEA contract.

Climate change

Michael J. Lapinski (Naperville) is in favor of the renewal of the IMEA contract.

Naperville electric supply

Tim Ferritto (Naperville) discussed his concerns with NEST and the greenhouse effect of carbon dioxide.

Recruiting volunteers for a modeling team

Richard Stark (Naperville) discussed the new team he and Brian Groth have created to evaluate the RFP's submissions for the renewal of the IMEA contract and his request for volunteers to work on this team.

Thanking the City for Tower Court

Troy Butler (Naperville) thanked the Council for their approval of the Tower Court development.

IMEA

Dick Furstenau (Naperville) thanked Dick Dublinski for his years of service to the City of Naperville and is in favor of the renewal of the IMEA contract.

Marilyn Schweitzer (Naperville) discussed the September 10, 2025 5th Avenue presentation by ULI, revising the Municipal Code regarding property owners cost sharing in the sidewalk removal and replacement program, the importance of reviewing policies and procedures concerning notifying residents of work being done by City or utility contractors and thanked staff for requiring City Boards and Commissions to accept written comments prior to scheduled meetings.

Jack Py (Aurora) discussed his concerns with the Special Events and

Community Arts (SECA) grant fund program.

Mayor Wehrli discussed the importance of civility in our community, and honored Governor Jim Edgar and North Central Track Coach Al Carius who recently passed away.

Council discussed the recent dialogue concerning the renewal of the IMEA contract, social media posts by a local non-profit that receives SECA allocations, welcomed Councilwoman Jain, and thanked Dick Dublinski for his years of service to the City of Naperville.

H. CONSIDERATION OF MOTION TO USE OMNIBUS METHOD FOR THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to use the Omnibus method to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote.

I. CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Wehrli, Gibson, Holzhauer, Jain, Kelly, McBroom, Syed, White, and Wilson

1. Approve the Cash Disbursements for the period of August 1, 2025, through August 31, 2025, for a total of \$44,841,710.10
Council approved.
2. Approve the regular City Council meeting minutes of September 2, 2025
Council approved.
3. Approve the City Council meeting schedule for September, October, and November 2025
Council approved.
4. Receive the year-to-date budget report through August 31, 2025
Council received.
5. Approve an appointment to the Special Events & Community Arts Commission
Council approved.
6. Approve the award of Cooperative Procurement 25-250, Ambulance Replacement (Unit 333), to Foster Coach Sales for an amount not to exceed \$384,531
Council approved.

7. Approve the award of Cooperative Procurement 25-287, Switch Refresh for the Police Station, to Sentinel Technologies, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$243,134.67 and for a three-year term

Council approved.

8. Approve the award of Cooperative Procurement 25-284, Cellular Phone Services, to Verizon Wireless for an amount not to exceed \$338,000 and for a one-year term

Council approved.

9. Approve the award of Cooperative Procurement 25-285, Mobile Broadband Data Services, to Verizon Wireless for an amount not to exceed \$208,000 and for a one-year term

Council approved.

10. Approve the award of Cooperative Procurement 25-283, Ford Automotive Parts & Supplies, to Ford Motor Company for an amount not to exceed \$550,000 and for a three-year term

Council approved.

11. Approve the award of Single Source Procurement 25-265, Case Equipment Parts and Service, to McCann Industries for an amount not to exceed \$165,000 and for a 15-month term

Council approved.

12. Approve the award of Bid 25-058, Substation Ground Grid Analysis, to Safearth Americas Corp. for an amount not to exceed \$450,179 and for a 28-month term

Council approved.

13. Approve the award of Option Year #1 to Contract 22-071, EMS & Non-EMS Billing Services, to Ambulance Medical Billing for an amount not to exceed 3% of amounts billed and for a one-year term

Council approved.

14. Pass the ordinance to establish temporary traffic controls and issue Special Event and Amplifier permits for the Naperville Half Marathon, 10K, and 5K scheduled on Sunday, October 19, 2025

ORD 25-095

Council passed.

15. Pass the ordinance to establish temporary traffic controls and issue a Special Event permit for the Downtown Naperville Trick-or-Treat Event scheduled on Sunday, October 26, 2025.

ORD 25-096

Council passed.

16. Pass the ordinance approving a conditional use in the B2 District for an amusement establishment and a parking variance for the property located at 2603 Aurora Avenue Suite 107 (Escapology) - DEV-0090-2025

ORD 25-097

Council passed.

17. Pass the ordinance approving a fence variance to Section 6-2-12:1.2 of the Naperville Municipal Code for the property located at 115 E. Benton Avenue (Saints Peter and Paul) - DEV-0096-2025

ORD 25-098

Council passed.

18. Pass the ordinance approving a variance from Section 3-3-11:2 to issue a Class D - Package Store liquor license to Garfield's Beverage Warehouse NV LLC for the business located at 88 W. Gartner Avenue, Suite 104

POSITION STATEMENT

SUPPORT

Marilyn L. Schweitzer (Naperville)

ORD 25-099

Council passed.

19. Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance to remove cab/taxi stands on Chicago Avenue between Main Street and Washington Street (requires six positive votes)

ORD 25-100

Council passed.

20. Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance to remove cab/taxi stands on Jefferson Avenue between Main Street and Washington Street (requires six positive votes)

ORD 25-101

Council passed.

21. Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance establishing no parking, stopping, or standing on Brooksedge Avenue (requires six positive votes)

ORD 25-102

Council passed.

22. Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance to remove 15-minute parking on Webster Street (requires six positive votes)

ORD 25-103

Council passed.

- 23.** Adopt the resolution approving prior unapproved closed session meeting minutes, designating certain closed session meeting minutes as non-restricted, and continuing to maintain the confidentiality of all other restricted closed session meeting minutes

RES 25-32

Council adopted.

- 24.** Adopt the resolution authorizing a workers' compensation settlement contract between Michael Larsen and the City of Naperville

RES 25-33

Council passed.

- 25.** Adopt the resolution authorizing a workers' compensation settlement contract between Mark Chaput and the City of Naperville

RES 25-34

Council adopted.

- 26.** Adopt the resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement between the City of Naperville and Naperville Community Television (NCTV17) (Item 1 of 2)

RES 25-35

Council adopted.

- 27.** Adopt the resolution authorizing the execution of an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Naperville and DuPage County for the administration of a \$20,000 grant to Naperville Community Television (NCTV17) through the DuPage County Member Initiative Program (Item 2 of 2)

RES 25-36

Council adopted.

- 28.** Adopt the resolution appointing Supna C. Jain to fill the City Council vacancy

RES 25-31

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to move I 28 (Adopt a resolution to appoint Supna Jain to fill the City Council vacancy) to the beginning of the Agenda. The motion carried by a voice vote.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

K. OLD BUSINESS:

L. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Option A: Concur with staff and deny the request for a Minor Change to the Naperville Crossings PUD to permit staining the Ancho and Agave restaurant building façade at 2860 Showplace Drive - DEV-0085-2025; or

Option B: Concur with the petitioner and pass the ordinance approving a Minor Change to the Naperville Crossings PUD to permit staining the Ancho and Agave restaurant building façade at 2860 Showplace Drive - DEV-0085-2025

SPEAKER

Daniel C Shapiro (Deerfield) - Petitioner Naperville Crossings Station LLC All-In Hospitality Group, LLC d/b/a Ancho & Agave discussed their request for a minor change to the PUD to stain the exterior of their building white which would comply with Ancho Agave's nationwide branding.

Council inquired if the other adjacent properties were in agreement with this change, and why staff was not in support of this request.

Laff stated the reason for staff's recommendation to deny the request is due to the color requested. Currently Naperville Crossings exterior is tan and staining it white would be inconsistent with the approved PUD for the center.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly to concur with the petitioner and pass the ordinance approving a Minor Change to the Naperville Crossings PUD to permit staining the Ancho and Agave restaurant building façade at 2860 Showplace Drive – DEV-0085-2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Wehrli, Gibson, Jain, Kelly, McBroom, Syed, White, and Wilson

Nay: 1 - Holzhauer

2. Pass the ordinance amending Chapter 1, Title 3 of the Naperville Municipal Code to establish a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax

SPEAKER

Marilyn Schweitzer (Naperville) is in support of passing a 1% grocery tax.

Jain discussed her support of the 1% grocery tax.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to pass the ordinance amending Chapter 1, Title 3 of the Naperville Municipal Code to establish a Municipal Grocery Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Wehrli, Jain, McBroom, White, and Wilson

Nay: 4 - Gibson, Holzhauer, Kelly, and Syed

M. AWARD OF BIDS AND OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE:

1. Approve the RFP inviting proposals from qualified and experienced vendors to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement for the procurement of non-fossil fuel energy delivered to PJM on behalf of the City of Naperville

POSITION STATEMENT

SUPPORT

Marilyn L. Schweitzer (Naperville)

Council inquired about the timeline for RFP responses and when Council discussions will take place.

Groth stated the RFP responses are due on October 29, 2025, staff will be responsible for any questions from the possible applicants and once the data has been analyzed it will be brought to Council for review and approval.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve RFP and invite proposals from qualified and experienced vendors to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) for the procurement of non-fossil fuel energy delivered to PJM on behalf of the City of Naperville. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Wehrli, Gibson, Holzhauer, Jain, Kelly, McBroom, Syed, White, and Wilson

N. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

O. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

P. NEW BUSINESS:

City Council vacancies

Wilson requested support from Council to review the current process for filling Council vacancies.

Council discussed the current process, noting that they have some discretion since the State statute is not very specific. They also asked what other cities do and discussed whether there have been any legal challenges in the past.

Krieger stated that there have been no legal challenges and the process has remained the same for at least 20 years, with the only possible difference being whether candidates are interviewed by Council.

By consensus, Council directed staff to survey other City's to determine their processes for selecting candidates for open Council positions and report back to Council with their findings.

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting of September 16, 2025, at 9:03 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote.

/S/ Dawn C. Portner
Dawn C. Portner
City Clerk