

City of Naperville

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council

Tuesday, December 2, 2025 7:00 PM Council Chambers

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- 3. Submit a written comment to the City in advance of the City Council meeting by 4 p.m. on December 2. Written comments will be compiled and posted with the electronic meeting agenda on the City's website prior to the start of the meeting. The cumulative number of comments will be announced during the City Council meeting.
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There will be no on-site speaker sign up permitted.

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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:

Mayor Wehrli call the December 2, 2025 City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m..

B. ROLL CALL:

C. CLOSED SESSION - CANCELED

OPEN SESSION - 7:00 p.m.

D. ROLL CALL:

Present: 9 - Mayor Scott Wehrli

Councilwoman Mary Gibson Councilman Ian Holzhauer Councilwoman Supna Jain 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; Assistant to the City Manager Marcie Schatz; Fire Chief Mark Puknaitis; Police Chief Jason Arres; Deputy Director of Finance Traci Marrocco; Director of IT Jacqueline Nguyen; Director of TED Jennifer Louden; Director of Public Works Dan Randolph; Director of Public Utilities - Electric Brian Groth; Director of Public Utilities - Water Darrell Blenniss; Director of Community Services Melanie Marcordes; Director of Human Resources Helga Oles; Director of Communications Linda LaCloche

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E. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Councilman Holzhauer, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to allow Councilman Wilson to participate via teleconference due to an employment responsibility. The motion carried by a voice vote.

Mayor Wehrli offered condolences on behalf of the City of Naperville and requested a moment of silence in honor of the City contractor who lost his life while clearing snow at the downtown train station.

F. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

G. PUBLIC FORUM:

SPEAKERS

Gas/Restaurants

Ashley Pencik (Naperville) discussed the importance of gas powered ranges vs. electric powered ranges and how government mandated regulations will be costly to area restaurant owners.

Upcoming IMEA Board Vote

Greg Hubert (Naperville - Clean Energy.org) discussed his concerns about receiving a denial from IMEA regarding a public copy of their financial projections for the first IMEA transmission ownership project and a IMEA Board resolution on the agenda for an upcoming meeting approving \$50 million dollars for two additional transmission ownership projects and how these new projects may impact Naperville

IMEA Transparency

Tim Bourlard (Naperville - NEST) discussed his concerns with the lack of transparency and good governance with the current IMEA contract.

Council welcomed the new Director of Public Works, Dan Randolph, discussed the upcoming IMEA meetings and Council's role in IMEA-related strategic issues, and recognized the many years of work by the Downtown Naperville Alliance (DNA) and City staff in making the downtown a vibrant and welcoming area of the community.

Groth noted he represents Naperville on the IMEA Board and stated that the projects being considered at upcoming IMEA meetings involve two 765-kV transmission lines, with IMEA proposing to acquire a 3% ownership stake at a cost of \$50 million. He noted that when the previous transmission line project was approved, he had requested-and received-a cost-benefit analysis showing a clear benefit to Naperville ratepayers and alignment with IMEA's existing timeline, which informed his vote. For the current projects, however, he has not yet received a similar analysis, which he considers necessary before determining how he will vote. Groth added that projects of this type tend to move quickly through IMEA, and he will provide Council with updates as he is able.

WRITTEN COMMENT

Rhonda Ansier (Naperville) My name is Rhonda Ansier and I have been a resident of Naperville since 2015. I would like to extend my heartfelt thank you for your recent support to fund the Naperville Police Department's efforts to evolve their service through developing a mental health crisis response unit. There are thousands of people in the US who suffer from mental health conditions that may require outside intervention. Our most vulnerable populations are also ones that don't have as much access to health care, such as those in lower income brackets, those on the autistic spectrum, people of color, and the LGBTQ+ community. These groups are also most vulnerable to having negative interactions with police while in a crisis. Naperville's commitment to safety and public service is well known across the state and country, which contributes to our consistent rankings as a desirable community to live in and a safe community to live in. It is of utmost importance that we continue to grow and evolve with the increased knowledge and understanding of how to serve our most vulnerable. When we make sure that our schools, public safety, park district and city policies reflect equity and inclusion, we win out with a healthier, safer community for all. Thank you again to council members Gibson, Holzhauer, Jain, Kelly, Syed, White, and Mayor Wehrli for your resounding support to fund this program. This is something we all should be supportive of, and it is well worth the investment.

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 with questions on I25 and removing item I24. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

1. Approve the Budget Workshop #1 Minutes of September 29, 2025

Council approved.

2. Approve the Budget Workshop #2 Minutes of October 28, 2025

Council approved.

3. Approve the Budget Workshop #3 Minutes of November 10, 2025

Council approved.

Approve the regular City Council meeting minutes of November 18, 2025

Council approved.

5. Approve the City Council meeting schedule for December 2025, January and February 2026

Council approved.

6. Approve the award of Single Source Procurement 25-322, Smartworks Renewal, to Harris Computer Systems for an amount not to exceed \$137,185.68 and for a one-year term

Council approved.

7. Approve the award of Single Source Procurement 25-325, Electric Switchgear, to S&C Electric Co. via Weldy Lamont Group, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$652,071.24 and for a one-year term

Council approved.

8. Approve the award of Bid 25-205, Bonnema Woods Lift Station Rehabilitation, to Airy's, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$925,000 plus a 3% contingency

Council approved.

9. Approve the award of Bid 25-299, Rivermist Forcemain Rehabilitation, to Mauro Sewer Construction, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$419,750 plus a 5% contingency

Council approved.

10. Approve the award of Option Year #1 for RFP 22-274, Riverwalk Design Consultant, to

Engineering Resource Associates, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 Council approved.

11. Approve the award of Option Year #1 to Contract 24-240, Tree Removal and Stump Grinding, to D Ryan Tree and Landscape Service LLC and Steve Piper and Sons, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$200,000 and for a one-year term

Council approved.

- **12.** Approve the award of Option Year #2 to Contract 23-051, Tree Trimming, Tree Removal and Disposal of Debris, to Lewis Tree Service for an amount not to exceed \$241,016 **Council approved.**
- **13.** Approve the award of Option Year #3 to Contract 22-049, Fire and Security Alarm, Fire Suppression and Extinguisher Maintenance Services, to Fox Valley Fire and Safety Company, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$110,000

Council approved.

14. Approve the award of Option Year #3 to Contract 22-346, Municipal Center Security Services, to Talon Premier Security for an amount not to exceed \$150,000

Council approved.

15. Approve the award of Option Year #4 to Contract 21-394, Electrician Services, to Volt Electric, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$115,000

Council approved.

16. Approve the award of Change Order #1 to Contract 23-279, Traffic Signal and Street Light Maintenance, to Meade, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$66,033.86 and a total award of \$1,130,469.78

Council approved.

17. Approve the award of Change Order #1 to Contract 23-300, Microsoft Enterprise Agreement, to Dell Marketing, LP for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 and a total award of \$2,234,984.59

Council approved.

18. Approve the award of Change Order #1 to Contract 25-111, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Dehumidification Services, to Beery Heating and Cooling, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$53,000 and a total award of \$296,680

Council approved.

19. Approve the award of Change Order #2 to Contract 22-287, Land Mobile Radio Consultant Services, to TUSA Consulting Services for an amount not to exceed \$44,250 and a total award of \$401,670

Council approved.

20. Approve the award of Change Order #2 to Contract 25-019, 2025 Microsurfacing, to AC Pavement Striping Co. for an amount not to exceed \$13,070.66 and a total award of \$768.627.57

Council approved.

21. Approve the award of Change Order #2 to Option Year #1 for Contract 23-152, Underground Distribution, Directional Boring and Services, to Meade Electric Company, Inc. and Electric Conduit Construction, for an amount not to exceed \$800,000 and a total award of \$8,808,477.10

Council approved.

22. Approve the award of Change Order #3 to Contract 22-114-1, Water/Wastewater Facility Electrical Technical Assistance, with Ciorba Group, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$270,968.00 and a total award of \$452,664.16

Council approved.

23. Pass the ordinance approving a variance to permit a detached garage/summer kitchen at 337 N. Sleight Street - DEV-0101-2025

ORD 25-132

Council passed.

24. Pass the ordinance amending Section 11-4 of the Naperville Municipal Code regulating the operation, classification, and safety of E-Bikes, E-Scooters and other Personal Mobility Devices

SPEAKERS

Dick Page (Naperville) discussed his concerns about the new regulations on Class 3 e-bikes.

Randall Case (Naperville) is in favor of the e-bike and e-scooter ordinance and offered his assistance in developing the education program needed for all residents.

Council discussed the differences between State law and the City's ordinance, and the definition of a personal mobility device.

Arres stated that State law for e-bikes and e-scooters does not address Class 3 e-bikes on multi-use paths. Most of these paths fall under the jurisdiction of the Park District or the Forest Preserve, and both already have bans in place for these types of bikes. The City's ordinance aligns with those existing bans to avoid public confusion. He added that another key difference between State law and the City's ordinance is the inclusion of parental accountability for minors.

Krieger added multiple City departments reviewed this ordinance and the focus was on consistency to minimize confusion from municipality to municipality.

DiSanto stated that the ordinance also includes personal mobility devices to cover non-electric bicycles, gas-powered vehicles without pedals such as dirt bikes and mopeds, while clarifying that disability-related mobility devices are exempt from this ordinance.

ORD 25-133

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to pass the ordinance amending Section 11-4 of the Naperville Municipal Code regulating the operation, classification, and safety of E-Bikes, E-Scooters and other Personal Mobility Devices. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

25. Pass the resolution approving execution of a cost sharing agreement for 1224 Oswego Road

Council inquired about the process used when a homeowner in unincorporated Naperville pays a portion of the cost to connect to the City's water system while the City covers the remaining portion, how does the City recapture those fees over time and how is the obligation documented so that future homeowners are aware of any outstanding recapture payments.

Blenniss explained that recapture agreements are common for both developers and individual residents and have been used frequently when the City must extend utilities to vacant parcels, the property owner is responsible for their share of the sanitary sewer extension, and the City recoups its portion as additional customers connect to the existing lines and City departments track these recapture obligations internally to ensure they can be enforced in the future.

RES 25-42

Council passed.

J. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

 Receive the staff report and reconvene the public hearing to vacate a portion of the White Oak Drive right-of-way between Prairie Avenue and Hillside Road - DEV-0086-2025 (Item 1 of 6)

Mayor Wehril opened the public hearing at 7:59 p.m..

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to continue the public hearing to vacate a portion of the White Oak Drive right-of-way between Prairie Avenue and Hillside Road to the December 16, 2025 City Council meeting. The motion carried by a voice vote.

2. Conduct the public hearing for the 2026 Annual Budget (Item 1 of 2)

Mayor Wehrli opened the public hearing at 8:01 p.m..

SPEAKERS

Sam Entile (Naperville) discussed his concerns about increasing the property tax levy to fund the new Mobile Crisis Intervention Team, noting that raising taxes on residents should be a last resort when other options such as reducing expenses are available.

Tim Ferritto (Naperville) discussed his concerns regarding the taxes associated with a gallon of gasoline.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly to close the public hearing at 8:07 p.m.for the 2026 Annual Budget. The motion carried by a voice vote.

3. Pass the ordinance adopting the 2026 Annual Budget in the amount of \$685,342,588 (Item 2 of 2)

ORD 25-134

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to pass the ordinance adopting the 2026 Annual Budget in the amount of \$685,342,588. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

K. OLD BUSINESS:

L. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

1. Waive the first reading and pass the ordinance amending Section 3-1-9 of the Naperville Municipal Code, increasing the 2026 Special Events and Community Arts Grant Program funding cap to \$2,510,000 (requires six positive votes)

ORD 25-135

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to waive the first reading and pass the ordinance amending Section 3-1-9 of the Naperville Municipal Code, increasing the 2026 Special Events and Community Arts Grant Program funding cap to \$2,510,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Gibson, Holzhauer, Jain, Kelly, Syed, and White

Nay: 3 - Wehrli, McBroom, and Wilson

M. AWARD OF BIDS AND OTHER ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE:

 Approve the award of Bid 25-241, Maplebrook Phase II Water Main Improvements, to J. Congdon Sewer Service for an amount not to exceed \$2,598,396.75 plus a 3% contingency

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the award of Bid 25-241, Maplebrook Phase II Water Main Improvements, to J. Congdon Sewer Service for an amount not to exceed

\$2,598,396.75 plus a 3% contingency. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

2. Approve the award of RFQ 25-140, Polyethylene/PVC Conduit Qualifications, to Power Line Supply, Universal Utility Supply, United Utility Supply, Rural Electric Supply Cooperative and Wesco Distribution as approved vendors for future projects, for an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 and for a five-year term

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the award of RFQ 25-140, Polyethylene/PVC Conduit Qualifications, to Power Line Supply, Universal Utility Supply, United Utility Supply, Rural Electric Supply Cooperative and Wesco Distribution as approved vendors for future projects, for an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 and for a five-year term. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

3. Approve the award of RFP 25-068, New SCADA, DERMS, and OMS Platform Purchase, Deployment, and Integration, to Survalent for an amount not to exceed \$2,250,021, plus a 3% contingency on implementation costs, and for a six-year term

Council discussed

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the award of RFP 25-068, New SCADA, DERMS, and OMS Platform Purchase, Deployment, and Integration, to Survalent for an amount not to exceed \$2,250,021, plus a 3% contingency on implementation costs, and for a six-year term. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4. Approve the award of Option Year #1 to Contract 24-123, Molded Rubber and Cold Shrink Products, to MVA Power, Inc., Universal Utility Supply Co., Wesco-Anixter and Wesco Distribution, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the award of Option Year #1 to Contract 24-123, Molded Rubber and Cold Shrink Products, to MVA Power, Inc., Universal Utility Supply Co., Wesco-Anixter and Wesco Distribution, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000. 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:

1. Approve the 2026 Legislative Priorities

Council discussed monetizing body cam footage.

Arres stated that some social media influencers are compensated based on the number of clicks their posts generate. As a result, they profit from FOIA

requests. He added that the City is seeking to prevent the FOIA process from being used to monetize body-worn camera footage for entertainment purposes or to exploit individuals during their most vulnerable moments.

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to approve the 2026 Legislative Priorities. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

P. NEW BUSINESS:

No New Business was discussed.

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman White, seconded by Councilman Kelly, to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting of December 2, 2025, at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried by a voice vote.

/s/ Dawn C. Portner Dawn C. Portner City Clerk