



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall—Council Chambers, 590 40th Ave NE
Monday, April 24, 2023
6:00 PM

Mayor
Amáda Márquez Simula
Councilmembers
Connie Buesgens
Kt Jacobs
Rachel James
Justice Spriggs
Interim City Manager
Kevin Hansen

AGENDA

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC

*Members of the public who wish to attend may do so in-person, by calling **1-312-626-6799** and entering meeting ID **876 7918 4575** or by Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87679184575>. For questions please call the Administration Department at 763-706-3610.*

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

MISSION STATEMENT

Columbia Heights is a vibrant, healthy and connected City. We are here to actively support the community, deliver equitable services, build and strengthen connections, improve upon our past, and uphold our successes. We strive to be better and ensure Columbia Heights is a great place for everyone, today and in the future.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(The Council, upon majority vote of its members, may make additions and deletions to the agenda. These may be items submitted after the agenda preparation deadline.)

PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, RECOGNITION, ANNOUNCEMENTS, GUESTS

- A. April Arbor Day Proclamation.**
- B. April National Library Week Proclamation.**
- C. April Fair Housing Month Proclamation.**
- D. May Public Works Week Proclamation.**
- E. May Police Week Proclamation.**
- F. May Asian and Pacific Islander Minnesotan Heritage Month Proclamation.**

CONSENT AGENDA

(These items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted as part of the Consent Agenda by one motion. Items removed from consent agenda approval will be taken up as the next order of business.)

MOTION: Move to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. **Approve the April 3, 2023 City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes.**
MOTION: Move to approve the April 3, 2023 City Council Work Session meeting minutes.
2. **Approve the April 10, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
MOTION: Move to approve the April 10, 2023 City Council meeting minutes.
3. **Accept the February 8, 2023 Youth Commission Meeting Minutes.**
MOTION: Move to accept the February 8, 2023 Youth Commission meeting minutes.
4. **Award Contract to Abdo Financial Solutions For Approximately Four Months of Payroll Services.**
MOTION: Move to authorize staff to enter into an agreement with Abdo Financial Solutions for payroll preparation services at the terms listed in the agenda packet.
5. **Approve the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Minneapolis for the Reconstruction and Construction Administration of 37th Avenue from Central Avenue to Stinson Boulevard and 37th Place from 37th Avenue to Stinson Boulevard, Project 2110 and 2306.**
MOTION: Move to approve a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Minneapolis to provide cost-share not expected to exceed \$2,909,881 for the construction, construction engineering, construction inspection, material testing, and construction administration for street reconstruction on 37th Avenue from Central Avenue to Stinson Boulevard and 37th Place from 37th Avenue to Stinson Boulevard, City Projects 2110 and 2306.
6. **Accept MWMO Grant Agreement for 37th Avenue and 37th Place Green Stormwater Infrastructure Implementation.**
MOTION: Accept the grant from the MWMO in the amount of \$274,729 for the 37th Avenue and 37th Place reconstruction projects, Projects 2110 and 2306.
7. **Award Traffic Signal Painting for Five Traffic Signal Systems Along Central Avenue, Project 2308.**
MOTION: Move to approve the proposal for traffic signal system painting at five intersections on Central Avenue; Project 2308, with Cobalt Companies for an estimated cost of \$39,700.00 appropriated from Fund 430-3170-45185-2308.
8. **Award of Professional Services for Topographic Surveys for 2024 and 2025 Alley Reconstruction Projects 2406 and 2506.**
MOTION: Move to approve the Proposal for Topographic Surveying for 2024 and 2025 Alley Reconstruction; Projects 2406 and 2506, with Bolton & Menk, based on time and materials with an estimated cost of \$27,176.00 appropriated from Funds 415-6400-43050-2406 and 415-6400-43050-2506.
9. **Amend the Library Meeting Room Usage Policy.**
MOTION: Move to amend the Library Meeting Room Usage Policy

10. Rental Occupancy Licenses for Approval.

MOTION: Move to approve the items listed for rental housing license applications for April 24, 2023, in that they have met the requirements of the Property Maintenance Code.

11. License Agenda.

MOTION: Move to approve the items as listed on the business license agenda for April 24, 2023 as presented.

12. Review of Bills.

MOTION: Move that in accordance with Minnesota Statute 412.271, subd. 8 the City Council has reviewed the enclosed list to claims paid by check and by electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$2,155,798.16.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

This is the public's opportunity to speak regarding this matter. Any comments made after the public hearing is closed will not be considered by the City Council and will not be included as part of the formal record for this matter.

13. First Reading of Ordinance No. 1683, Amending Chapter 3, Article 3 of the City Code Pertaining to Boards and Commissions.

MOTION: Move to waive the reading of Ordinance No. 1683, there being ample copies available to the public.

MOTION: Move to set the reading of Ordinance No. 1683, an Ordinance amending Chapter 3, Article 3 of the City Code pertaining to Boards and Commissions, for May 8th, 2023, at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Ordinances and Resolutions

Bid Considerations

14. Adopt Resolution 2023-26 Being a Resolution Accepting Bids and Concurring with Awarding a Contract for the Street Reconstruction of 37th Avenue and 37th Place, Projects 2110 and 2306.

MOTION: Move to waive the reading of Resolution 2023-26, there being ample copies available to the public.

MOTION: Move to adopt Resolution 2023-26 being a Resolution accepting bids and providing concurrence for awarding the 2023 Street Rehabilitation Program consisting of 37th Avenue Full Street Reconstruction; Project 2110, and 37th Place Full Street Reconstruction; Project 2306, to Eureka Construction, Inc. based upon their low, qualified, responsible bid in the amount of \$11,171,519.53, of which \$2,909,847.71 is the total that Columbia Heights will be responsible for providing to Minneapolis, appropriated from the following funds, \$1,000,000 from Fund 402-3191, \$160,000 from Fund 601-6400, \$25,000 from fund 602-6400, \$200,000 from Fund 653-6400, \$274,729 MWMO grant funds, and the remaining is anticipated to be covered by other City funds.

15. Approve Exterior Signage for the New City Hall, Project 1911.

MOTION: Move to approve the exterior signage proposal from Albrecht Sign Company for the new City Hall at 3989 Central Avenue in the amount of \$52,010 from Fund 411.9999.45120.1911.

New Business and Reports

CITY COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Report of the City Council

Report of the City Manager

COMMUNITY FORUM

The Community Forum is the public's opportunity to address the Council regarding any matter that has not had a public hearing earlier in the meeting.

Speakers that are in-person are asked to complete a Speaker Form and submit it to the City Clerk.

Once called to the podium, the speaker should state their name and connection to Columbia Heights.

Speakers attending virtually should send a request to speak as well as their address and connection to Columbia Heights to the moderator using the chat function and wait to be called on to speak.

When speaking, virtual attendees should turn their camera on.

All speakers should limit their comments to five (5) minutes and address their comments to the Council as a whole, not to individual Council Members.

Personal attacks, threats, the use of profanity, and other disrespectful comments are prohibited.

The City Council will listen to the public comments, ask clarifying questions, and if needed, request staff to follow up or direct the matter to be added to an upcoming agenda. Generally, the City Council will not take official action on items raised at the Community Forum at the meeting on which they are raised.

ADJOURNMENT

Auxiliary aids or other accommodations for individuals with disabilities are available upon request when the request is made at least 72 hours in advance. Please contact Administration at 763-706-3610 to make arrangements.