



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**City Hall—Council Chambers, 590 40th Ave NE**  
**Monday, June 12, 2023**  
**6:00 PM**

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

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**AMENDED AGENDA**

**ITEM C AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ADDED ON 6/12/2023**

**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 856 5504 4384 or by Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85655044384>. 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. Business of the Year Presentation.**
- B. Youth and Adult Citizen of the Year Presentation.**
- C. Juneteenth 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 May 22, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes.**  
MOTION: Move to approve the May 22, 2023 City Council meeting minutes.
- 2. Accept the May 1, 2023 EDA Meeting Minutes.**  
MOTION: Move to accept the May 1, 2023 EDA meeting minutes.

- 3. Approval of Resolution 2023-29, being a Resolution to Amend the Public Safety Fence Project Budget (City Project 2207).**  
MOTION: Move to waive the reading of Resolution 2023-29, there being ample copies available to the public.  
MOTION: Move to the adopt Resolution No. 2023-29 amending the budget for the public safety fence project and appropriating \$25,000 from the Government Buildings 431 fund to City Project 2207.
- 4. Approval of Resolution 2023-30, being a Resolution Adopting Optional Appendices of the Minnesota State Fire Code.**  
MOTION: Move to approve Resolution 2023-30, adopting optional appendices of the Minnesota State Fire Code.
- 5. Approve the Gambling Permit for Immaculate Conception Church, August 4-6, 2023.**  
MOTION: Move to direct the City Manager to forward a letter to the State Charitable Gambling Control Board indicating that the City of Columbia Heights has no objection to a gambling permit for Immaculate Conception Church to conduct bingo, pull-tabs, a raffle from August 4-6, 2023 (raffle drawing to be held on August 6, 2023) at 4030 Jackson Street NE, Columbia Heights; and furthermore, that the City of Columbia Heights hereby waives the remainder of the thirty-day notice to the local governing body.
- 6. Accept Corrective Asphalt Materials Proposal For Bituminous Street Surface Treatment And Allied Blacktop Co. for Crack Sealing, Project 2301.**  
MOTION: Move to accept the proposal from Corrective Asphalt Materials to apply Reclamite to select city streets, Project 2301, for an estimated cost of \$43,797.75 appropriated from Funds 430.3100.45185.2301 and 212.3190.45185.2301.  
MOTION: Move to accept the proposal from Allied Blacktop Co. to complete roadway crack sealing on select city streets, Project 2301, for an estimated cost of \$20,840.00 appropriated from Funds 430.3100.45185.2301 and 212.3190.45185.2301.
- 7. Rental Occupancy Licenses for Approval.**  
MOTION: Move to approve the items listed for rental housing license applications for June 12, 2023, in that they have met the requirements of the Property Maintenance Code.
- 8. License Agenda.**  
MOTION: Move to approve the items as listed on the business license agenda for June 12, 2023 as presented.
- 9. 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 \$2,183,940.61.

**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.*

**10. Conversion of 7th Street from a One-Way to a Two-Way Street Between 52nd Avenue and 53rd Avenue, and Removal of the Bump Out.**

MOTION: Move to convert 7th Street from a one-way roadway into a two-way roadway between 52nd Avenue and 53rd Avenue and remove the concrete bump out in the southwest corner of the 7th Street and 53rd Avenue intersection.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Bid Considerations**

**New Business and Reports**

**11. Request for Temporary Increase in Police Department Staffing Level to 30 Officers.**

MOTION: Move to approve the Police Department's request for a temporary increase in Police Officer staffing numbers from 29 to 30 officers, effective January 2024.

**12. Request to Purchase Mobile Pro Systems Commander 3400 Camera Trailer.**

MOTION: Move to approve the Police Department's purchase of a Mobile Pro Systems Commander 3400 camera trailer in the amount of \$76,783.00, with the expenditure coming from the Police Department's operating budget.

**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.*