



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
City Hall—Council Chambers, 590 40th Ave NE
Monday, June 26, 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. Somali American Day.**
- B. Galdogob Sister City Proclamation.**
- C. Police Department Staff Introductions.**

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 June 5, 2023 City Council Work Session Meeting Minutes.**
MOTION: Move to approve the June 5, 2023 City Council Work Session meeting minutes.
- 2. Approve the June 12, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
MOTION: Move to approve the June 12 2023 City Council meeting minutes.

3. Capital Equipment Replacement of Unit #0232 Toro GroundsMaster.

MOTION: Move to authorize the purchase of (1) new 4520N WG972 EFI Ventrac and attachments from Cushman Motor Company of Minneapolis MN competitively priced through Sourcewell Contract 03112-TTC-2 at \$64,130, less trade-in allowance for Unit #232 of \$6,200 for a grand total of \$57,930 with funds appropriated from the Capital Equipment Replacement Fund 431-5200-45180.

4. Rental Occupancy Licenses for Approval.

MOTION: Move to approve the items listed for rental housing license applications for June 26, 2023, in that they have met the requirements of the Property Maintenance Code.

5. 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 \$1,391,602.47.

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.

Ordinances and Resolutions

6. First Reading of Ordinance 1684, Council and Mayor Salary Increase.

MOTION: Move to waive the reading of Ordinance No. 1684, there being ample copied available to the public.

MOTION: Move to set the second reading of Ordinance 1684, pertaining to the salaries of elected officials for Monday, July 10, 2023, at approximately 6:00 pm in the City of Columbia Heights City Council Chambers.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Bid Considerations

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.