

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL - WORKSHOP MAPLE PLAIN CITY HALL April 14, 2025 5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor Julie Maas-Kusske, Councilmember Mike DeLuca, Councilmember Connie Francis, Councilmember Andrew Burak, and Councilmember Rochelle Arvizo.

Staff Present: City Administrator Jacob Kolander, Assistant City Administrator Kevin Larson, Director Matt DuRose, and Director Gary Kroells

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Councilmember Francis made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Seconded by Councilmember DeLuca.

Voting Yea: Mayor Maas-Kusske, Councilmember DeLuca, Councilmember Arvizo, Councilmember Francis, Councilmember Burak.

Motion Passed 5-0

3. DISCUSSION

A. Discussion with new WHPS Director on Vision

Director DuRose provided a brief introduction to the Council and outlined his vision for West Hennepin Public Safety. His vision emphasizes the strategic pooling of resources, with a strong focus on community policing, proactive identification of civil and official issues, and effective resource management through coalition-building and community partnerships.

Director DuRose also shared his management philosophy, prioritizing retaining the current personnel, equipping staff with the tools they need to succeed, investing in professional development, and ensuring regular mental health check-ins to support overall well-being.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

Councilmember Arvizo ask for the Rainbow Park tennis court nets added to future topics.

5. FUTURE WORKSHOP TOPICS

- A. Potential Parking Restrictions to 1 side of street
- B. Code of Conduct
- C. Metcouncil Equity-Focused Water Efficiency Grant
- D. Ice Skating Rink Maintenance
- E. Parks/VMP Baseball/Softball Field Improvements

6. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Francis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Burak.

Voting Yea: Mayor Maas-Kusske, Councilmember DeLuca, Councilmember Francis, Councilmember Burak, and Councilmember Arvizo.

Motion passed 5-0

Council Adjourned at 6:23