



City of Blaine

City Council Workshop

March 17, 2025 | 5:30 PM
Blaine City Hall
10801 Town Square Drive NE
Blaine, MN 55449

AGENDA

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of Section 3.01 of the Blaine City Charter, a Council Workshop meeting is scheduled for the following purpose:

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. New Business

- 3.1.** 2025-53 Closed Session Pursuant to MN Statute 13D.03 Subd. (1)(b) 2025 Bargaining Strategy Discussion
Sponsors: Scott Johnson, Director of Administrative Services
- 3.2.** 2025-54 Closed Session Pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05(3)(c)(3) - Discuss Potential Purchase of Portions of Land Identified as PIDs 11-31-23-12-0003 and 11-31-23-11-0001 Located at the Southwest Corner of 125th Avenue and Lexington Avenue
Sponsors: Erik Thorvig, Community Development Director
- 3.3.** 2025-55 Municipal Cannabis Update
Sponsors: Cathy Sorensen, City Clerk

4. Other Business

5. Adjournment



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New Business - Scott Johnson, Director of Administrative Services

Agenda Item # 3.1

Closed Session Pursuant to MN Statute 13D.03 Subd. (1)(b) 2025 Bargaining Strategy Discussion

Background

The City of Blaine has a number of labor contracts that will be negotiated in 2025. Also, the City of Blaine recently concluded negotiations on the Deputy Police Chief contract for 2025 and 2026. City Labor Attorney Lida Bannink will provide an update to the City Council on labor negotiations.

Staff Recommendation

Receive an update from City Labor Attorney Lida Bannink on Collective Bargaining.

Questions for Council

Attachment List

None



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New Business - Erik Thorvig, Community Development Director

Agenda Item # 3.2

Closed Session Pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05(3)(c)(3) - Discuss Potential Purchase of Portions of Land Identified as PIDs 11-31-23-12-0003 and 11-31-23-11-0001 Located at the Southwest Corner of 125th Avenue and Lexington Avenue

Background

Pursuant to MN Statute 13D.05(3)(c)(3), the City Council will discuss the potential purchase of portions of land identified as PIDs 11-31-23-12-0003 and 11-31-23-11-0001 located at the southwest corner of 125th Avenue and Lexington Avenue.

Staff Recommendation

Questions for Council

Attachment List

None



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New Business - Cathy Sorensen, City Clerk

Agenda Item # 3.3

Municipal Cannabis Update

Background

Staff has been working with Voyageur Cannabis Services to assist in completing the municipal cannabis application which was due March 14. Staff will provide an update on the application process and possible next steps at the workshop.

Staff Recommendation

Information only.

Questions for Council

Staff will provide an update at the meeting regarding the municipal cannabis application and possible next steps.

Attachment List

None