



City Council

Special Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 28, 2025
1:00 PM
Elk River Fire Station #2

- Meeting will be in the Emergency Operations Center

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
 2. CONSENT AGENDA
Review and Update Mission and Goals
 - 2.1 Review and Discuss Mission, Vision, and Goals
 3. MOTION TO ADJOURN



Request for Action

To
City Council

Item Number
2.1

Meeting Date
April 28, 2025

Prepared By
Tina Allard, City Clerk

Item Description
Review and Discuss Mission, Vision, and Goals

Reviewed by
Cal Portner
Tina Allard

Action Requested

Review and discuss the mission and vision for the city and come to a consensus on goals.

Background/Discussion

Annually, the City Council hosts a retreat to set priorities for future fiscal periods. The City Council sets the vision for the community and adopts short, mid, and long-term goals to achieve a vision across all city departments. While these goals do not represent a complete list of city services, they do provide guidance to city staff on which areas the City Council considers priority.

Financial Impact

In discussing goals and priorities, the resources needed to support them are also discussed. The goals set by the City Council will determine some future budget items brought forward by city departments.

Mission/Policy/Goal

Where the Council and staff work with citizens to develop a sustainable and prosperous community for all to live, work, and play; and to appropriately govern in an ever-changing environment.

Attachments

- I. Current Goals

The Elk River Vision

A welcoming community with revolutionary and spirited resourcefulness, exceptional service, and community engagement that encourages and inspires prosperity





Current Adopted Goals

Approved May 2024

Short-term (2024-25)

- Commercial Development
- Budget and sinking fund for building repair.
 - Transition PW Facility bond to general levy (ongoing)
- FT Center fully staff and financially self-sustaining
- Draft a Cost Participation Policy for Trail and Street Improvement Projects
- Line Avenue Cul de Sac

Mid-term (2029)

- Acquire business park land.
 - Assist developers with private acquisition as needed.
- Commercial development
 - CRT Zoning District
 - Hotel/Hospitality Growth
- Oak Knoll/Hale's Field improvement - collaboration with ISD #728
- Parks and Rec app – directions, ads, amenities, park features
- Communitywide Strategic Planning Implementation (downtown district)
- Identify city actions required after Elk River Landfill closure (groundwater)
- Gravel mining closure (transmission line placement)
- Fire Station #1 replacement/improvements
- Implementation of Parks Master Plan
- Implementation of new Housing Study recommendations (workforce housing)

Long-term (2034)

- Urban Service Area expansion
- C/I development
- Development of Specht property in eastern Elk River
- Trail connections
- Pedestrian Trail Connection downtown over the railroad and TH10.
- More retail development in western Elk River
- Riverwalk from Orono Park to City of Ramsey
- Highway 10 safety and mobility improvements, 165th Ave to Jarvis St.
- TH169 and 225th Avenue Safety Improvements
- Implementation of Downtown Small Area Study recommendations
- County Fairgrounds
- CRT Zoning review/update