

Minutes of the Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Champlin in the County of Hennepin and the State of Minnesota
Pursuant to Due Call and Notice Thereof

Worksession
September 8, 2025
Municipal Center

Call to Order

The Champlin City Council met in Worksession and was called to order by Mayor Ryan Sabas at 5:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Present were Mayor Ryan Sabas and Councilmembers Jessica Tesdall (Ward 1) (arrived at 5:06 p.m.), Tom Moe (Ward 2), Nate Truesdell (Ward 3), and Tim LaCroix (Ward 4) (arrived at 5:05 p.m.).

Absent: None.

Also present were City Administrator Jenny Max, Finance Director Korrie Johnson, and City Engineer Heather Nelson.

Approval of Agenda
(September 8, 2025)
Motion

Motion by Councilmember Moe and seconded by Councilmember Truesdell to approve the agenda for the September 8, 2025, Worksession Meeting as presented. Voting in favor were Mayor Sabas, Councilmembers Moe and Truesdell. Voting against: none. Motion carried.

2026 Budget and
Preliminary Levy
Discussion for the General
Fund and EDA Fund

The Finance Director provided background information on the budgeting process thus far, where the Council prioritized new initiatives and provided staff with the direction necessary to complete their detailed budgets to maintain current service levels. Departmental budgets remained consistent with no impacts to current service levels. Staff were able to find some savings throughout the budget, and the desire tonight is to firm up initiatives to include in the budget process as the proposed levy needs to be adopted by the end of September.

Council members LaCroix and Tesdall arrived.

Council Consensus:

- The Council provided direction to staff to assist in preparing the preliminary budget and levy to present at the September 22nd Council meeting.

Theatre Drive Sidewalk
Connection and Crosswalk
Discussion

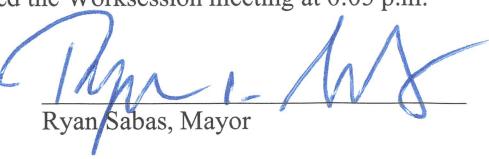
The City Engineer stated that in the spring of 2025, shortly after opening, Riverway Church made a request to City staff to install a crosswalk at the intersection of 117th Avenue and Theatre Drive. The request was prompted by high attendance during the church's initial services, which led to overflow parking in nearby business lots across 117th Avenue. In May 2025, City staff met with the church's pastor to discuss the situation. Staff emphasized the importance of maximizing use of the church's on-site parking and minimizing reliance on off-site parking. In response, the pastor shared that the church was actively adjusting its operations, including the addition of a third service beginning in the fall of 2025, and implementing on-site traffic control measures to better manage parking. Following this meeting, staff engaged SEH to conduct a crosswalk feasibility study to determine whether the requested crossing meets engineering and safety standards for installation at the proposed location. Nelson presented the results and recommendations of the study.

Council Consensus:

- The Council supported moving forward by having staff solicit quotes to complete the work and identifying funding sources for connecting the sidewalk along the west side of Theatre Drive and constructing an ADA crossing at 117th and Theatre Drive.

Adjournment

The Champlin City Council adjourned the Worksession meeting at 6:05 p.m.


Ryan Sabas, Mayor

Attest:


Julie Tembreull, Executive Assistant/City Clerk