



# CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

## Special Concurrent City Council, Housing and Redevelopment Authority and Planning Commission Work Session

May 7, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Regan Gonzalez at 4:08 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

Council Members Present: Maria Regan Gonzalez, Mayor; Edwina Garcia; Mary Supple; Simon Trautmann; and Ben Whalen.

HRA Members Present: Mary Supple, Chair; Maria Regan Gonzalez; Sue Sandahl; and Erin Vrieze Daniels.

HRA Members Absent: Pat Elliott.

Planning Commission Members Present: Kathryn Quam; James Rudolph; Susan Rosenberg; Peter Lavin; and Sean Hayford Oleary.

Planning Commission Members Absent: Allysen Hoberg, Chair; Bryan Pynn.

Staff Present: Katie Rodriguez, City Manager; John Stark, Community Development Director; and Melissa Poehlman, Assistant Community Development Director.

<b>Item #1</b>	<b>CITIZEN PLANNER TRAINING</b>
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Community Development staff hosted a “Your Role as a Citizen Planner” workshop, facilitated by Erin Perdu of WSB & Associates. The workshop highlighted the ways in which the roles of elected/appointed officials vary in land use decisions based on the particular charge of the board or committee to which they are elected/appointed. The workshop provided an opportunity to discuss the areas in which policy makers have a significant amount of discretion and those in which they play a largely regulatory role of applying existing rules. Participants discussed hypothetical applications, the importance of waiting until all information has been provided before making a decision on a particular application, making sound legal findings, and communicating with constituents.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The work session was adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:41 p.m.

Date Approved: May 28, 2019

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Maria Regan Gonzalez  
Mayor

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Jared Voto  
Assistant to the City Manager

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Katie Rodriguez  
City Manager