



CITY of CRYSTAL

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City Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

7 p.m.

Upper Community Room/Zoom Meeting

The city manager's comments are bolded.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Agenda
The council will consider approval of the agenda.
3. Appearances
 - 3.1 Communications Manager Mike Peterson will share a presentation for the 2025 Neighbors Recognizing Neighbors Awards.
4. Consent Agenda
The council will consider the following items, which are routine and non-controversial in nature, in a single motion:
 - 4.1 Approval of the minutes from the following meetings:
 - a. The city council work session on April 1, 2025.
 - b. The city council meeting on April 1, 2025.
 - 4.2 Approval of disbursements over \$25,000 submitted by the finance department.
 - 4.3 Approval of the list of license applications submitted by the city clerk.
 - 4.4 Adoption of a resolution accepting donations.
 - 4.5 Adoption of a resolution authorizing the Metropolitan Council Community Tree Planting Grant application.
 - 4.6 Approval of Blue Line Business Advisory Committee appointment.
5. Open Forum
The city council appreciates hearing from citizens about items of concern and desires to set aside time during each meeting for open forum. To provide ample opportunity for all, speaking time is limited to three minutes and topic discussion is limited to ten minutes. The mayor may, as presiding officer, extend the total time allowed for a topic. By rule, no action may be taken on any item brought before the council during open forum. The council may place items discussed during open forum onto subsequent council meeting agendas.

6. Regular Agenda

- 6.1 The council will consider the first reading of an ordinance establishing a franchise agreement with CenterPoint Energy.

The City of Crystal's previous natural gas franchise agreement with CenterPoint Energy expired in 2022. A new agreement has been negotiated and reviewed by Kennedy & Graven and is now presented for Council consideration. This agreement, consistent with past practice and state law, grants CenterPoint Energy the right to use the city's public rights-of-way to operate, maintain, and repair its natural gas utility infrastructure. Recommend approval of the ordinance establishing a franchise agreement with CenterPoint Energy.

- 6.2 The council will consider approval of Subordinate Funding Agreement #01 with the Metropolitan Council for 2025 and 2026 Blue Line Extension Project staff support.

The Met Council has offered to fully fund a temporary staff support position to serve as a project manager for the Blue Line Extension Project. This temporary position will be funded for a minimum of two years and may be extended with additional project funding as construction occurs. In order to receive this funding, the city is required to approve a subordinate funding agreement (SFA) to the master funding agreement approved in 2018. Recommend approval of SFA #01 for 2025 and 2026 staff support.

- 6.3 The council will consider awarding contracts for the 2025 Street and Utility Reconstruction Project and professional construction services for this project.

The 2025 Long-Term Plan allocated \$2,650,000 for the 2025 Street and Utility Reconstruction Project. Four bids were received and opened on March 20, 2025, and Northdale Construction Co, Inc. was the winning bidder with a low bid of \$1,986,894.83. The project consists of the full reconstruction of Jersey Avenue (Medicine Lake Road – 30th Avenue), the full reconstruction of Idaho Avenue (30th Avenue – 31st Avenue), curb replacement, and the replacement of all underground utilities, which are 70 years old. WSB has been selected to provide construction survey, inspection, testing, and construction administration services for \$241,715. The total project cost is estimated at \$2,228,609.83. Recommend approval of awarding the 2025 Street and Utility Reconstruction Project contract to Northdale Construction Co, Inc. with a low bid of \$1,986,894.83 and awarding the professional construction services contract to WSB for \$241,715.

7. Announcements

- a. The Special Materials Drop-Off Day is Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Brooklyn Park Public Works, 8300 Noble Ave. N., Brooklyn Park. For more information, visit www.hrg-recycling.com.
- b. To accommodate Crystal residents practicing No Mow May, which provides habitat and nutrition for early-season pollinators, the city waits until June 1 to begin long grass enforcement.
- c. The Crystal Police Department Open House is Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at 4141 Douglas Dr. N.
- d. The next city council meeting is Tuesday, May 6 at 7 p.m. in the council chambers at city hall and via Zoom.

- e. The Parks and Recreation Commission will host the annual Arbor Day celebration and park cleanup on Wednesday, May 7, from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m., at Sunnyview Park, 3000 Hampshire Ave. N.
- f. City council meetings and work sessions are open to the public. Current and previous meetings are available for viewing and listening at www.crystalmn.gov.

8. Adjournment

**Denotes no supporting information included in the packet.*

Have a great weekend; stay healthy. See you at Tuesday's meeting.