



Charter Commission Meeting

April 6, 2026 at 7 p.m.

Fridley Civic Campus 7071 University Avenue NE

Agenda

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 13.02 the April 6 meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Commissioners Rick Nelson and Pam Reynolds will be attending via Zoom.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84979729873?pwd=ywdbaDDkQY4FUbsG90F7TeZMlaK1QV.1>

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of February 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of March 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Administrative Matters

3. Commission Appreciation Dinner
4. Commission Vacancy and Prospective Commissioner Interviews

Old Business

New Business

5. Chapter 5 Presentation and Discussion with the City Council
6. Discussion with the Fridley City Council

Future Meeting Topics/Communications

7. Future Meeting Topics

Adjournment

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- Yog tias koj xav tau kev pab txhais lus los sis txhais ntaub ntawv dawb, ces thov tiv tauj rau Lub Nroog cove neeg ua hauj lwm.
- Haddii aad u baahan tahay tarjumaad bilaash ah ama kaalmo tarjumaad, fadlan la xiriir shaqaalaha

Magaalada.

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AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Title: Approval of February 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Background

Attached are the minutes from February 2, 2026 for the Commission's consideration.

Recommendation

Staff recommend the approval of the February 2, 2026 Charter Commission meeting minutes.

Attachments and Other Resources

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1. February 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Vision Statement

We believe Fridley will be a safe, vibrant, friendly, and stable home for families and businesses.



Charter Commission Meeting

February 2, 2026

7:00 PM

Fridley City Hall, 7071 University Avenue NE

Minutes

Call to Order

Chair Nelson called the Charter Commission meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld, Kisner, Rolstad (arrived 7:22)

Absent

Findell, Karnopp, Barre

Others Present

Melissa Moore, Assistant City Manager

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Commissioner Gardner, seconded by Commissioner Kisner.

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld, Kisner voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of January 6, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Smith noted her attendance at the meeting and asked for that to be corrected.

Motion to approve the January 6, 2026 Meeting Minutes with one correction by Commissioner Linton. Seconded by Commissioner Bremener.

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld and Kisner voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Matters

2. 2026 Nominating Committee Report

Motion to approve the 2026 Nominating Committee Report by Commissioner Kranz. Seconded by Commissioner Seefeld.

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld and Kisner voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

3. Resignation of Ted Kranz

Motion by Commissioner Linton to accept the resignation of Commissioner Kranz effective in April. Seconded by Commissioner Bremener.

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld, Kisner and Rolstad voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

4. Updated Member List

An updated Member List was distributed to the Commissioner. Commissioner Schmitz noted he has a phone number change, which he will communicate to staff.

Old Business

5. Subcommittee to Document Changes to Chapter 5 Update

Commissioners Smith, Linton and Bremener shared their research into Chapter 5. They will provide their final report in the March agenda packet for the Commission to review.

New Business

Future Meeting Topics/Communications

7. Future Meeting Topics

For the March meeting the Commission directed staff to add: topics to discuss with the City Council in April, election of officers, Chapter 5 sub-committee report, candidate interview process and asked staff to create a table of Charter chapters with the last date of review noted for each.

Other topics remain:

- Candidate Interview Process and application
- Next Chapter to Review
- Commission Onboarding Manual
- Meeting schedule cadence
- Chapter 6
- Updated response to Chapter 5.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Reynolds to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Rolstad.

Commissioners Smith, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Linton, Kranz, Gardner, Schmitz, Bremener, Seefeld, Kisner and Rolstad voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Title: Approval of March 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Background

Attached are the minutes from March 2, 2026 for the Commission's consideration.

Recommendation

Staff recommend the approval of the March 2, 2026 Charter Commission meeting minutes.

Attachments and Other Resources

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1. March 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

Vision Statement

We believe Fridley will be a safe, vibrant, friendly, and stable home for families and businesses.



Charter Commission Meeting

March 2, 2026

7:00 PM

Fridley City Hall, 7071 University Avenue NE

Minutes

Call to Order

Chair Nelson called the Charter Commission meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present

Commissioners Barre, Bremener, Gardner, Karnopp (arrived 7:20 pm) Kisner, Linton, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Rolstad, Schmitz, Seefeld, Smith

Absent

Findell, Kranz

Others Present

Melissa Moore, Assistant City Manager
Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Commissioner Reynolds, seconded by Commissioner Rolstad.

Commissioners Barre, Bremener, Gardner, Kisner, Linton, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Rolstad, Schmitz, Seefeld, Smith voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of February 2, 2026 Charter Commission Meeting Minutes

The February Charter Commission Meeting Minutes were accidentally omitted from the packet. They will be provided at the April meeting for approval.

Administrative Matters

2. Election of Officers

The nominees were as follows: Chair – Brad Bremener, Vice Chair – Nikki Karnopp, Secretary – Mohammed Barre.

No nominations were received from the floor for any of the open chair positions.

Motion to accept and approve all nominees by Commissioner Rolstad. Seconded by Commissioner Gardner.

Commissioners Barre, Bremener, Gardner, Kisner, Linton, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Rolstad, Schmitz, Seefeld, Smith voting aye, Chair Nelson declared the motion carried unanimously.

3. Updated Member List

An updated Member List was distributed to the Commissioners to include an updated phone number for Commissioner Schmitz.

Old Business

4. Subcommittee to Document Changes to Chapter 5 Update

Chair Bremener shared the slide show presentation that the subcommittee put together to present to the City Council at the joint meeting in April. Commissioners gave feedback on the presentation. Chair Bremener will make a few edits to the presentation and finalize for April.

Motion to submit the presentation to the agenda for the April meeting by Commissioner Rolstad, Seconded by Commissioner Barre.

Commissioners Barre, Bremener, Gardner, Karnopp, Kisner, Linton, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Rolstad, Schmitz, Seefeld, Smith voting aye, Chair Bremener declared the motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Future Meeting Topics/Communications

5. Preparing for April 6, 2026 Joint Meeting with the Fridley City Council

Commissioners were encouraged to share questions they would like to pose to the City Council at the joint meeting in April to help facilitate the discussion. Topics proposed were: What is the Council's current vision, what are some big projects coming up in the City such as streets and parks, what is a process that the Council would like to see for future Charter amendments and is there anything they see in the Charter that they would like reviewed.

6. Future Meeting Topics

- Candidate Interview Process and application
- Next Chapter to Review
- Commission Onboarding Manual
- Meeting schedule cadence
- Chapter 6

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Karnopp to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Rolstad.

Commissioners Barre, Bremener, Gardner, Karnopp, Kisner, Linton, A. Nelson, R. Nelson, Reynolds, Rolstad, Schmitz, Seefeld, Smith voting aye, Chair Bremener declared the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Title: Commission Appreciation Dinner

Background

The annual Commission Appreciation Dinner will be held on April 20 at Springbrook Nature Center at 6 pm. Invitations were emailed to commissioners and a copy is included in the packet. RSVPs are due April 6.

Recommendation

Attachments and Other Resources

1. Commission Appreciation Dinner Invitation

Vision Statement

We believe Fridley will be a safe, vibrant, friendly, and stable home for families and businesses.

MAYOR OSTWALD AND THE FRIDLEY
CITY COUNCIL INVITE YOU AND A
PLUS ONE TO ATTEND THE

*Commission
Appreciation Dinner*

APRIL 20, 2026 | 6 p.m.

SPRINGBROOK NATURE CENTER

100 85th AVENUE NE

Kindly Respond

RSVP by April 6, 2026

at FridleyMN.gov/DinnerRSVP or by emailing
Olivia.Gnadke@FridleyMN.gov to let us know
whether or not you will be in attendance.

*Please include any dietary restrictions in your
RSVP (GF, Vegan, Vegetarian, Allergies, etc.).*



AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Melissa Moore, Assistant City Manager
Title: Commission Vacancy and Prospective Commissioner Interviews

Background

The Commission will have an upcoming vacancy. Chair Bremener asked for this item to be added to the agenda to discuss steps forward in interviewing candidates.

Recommendation

Attachments and Other Resources

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AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Melissa Moore, Assistant City Manager
Title: Chapter 5 Presentation and Discussion with the City Council

Background

Chair Bremener will present to the City Council on the Commission's proposed changes to Chapter 5 (Initiative, Referendum and Recall) of the City Charter.

Chair Bremener has included the following message to the City Council as way of introduction to the Chapter 5 presentation and discussion:

Esteemed Fridley City Councilmembers,

Thank you very much for taking the time to attend a joint meeting with us again this year. A significant portion of our agenda will be focused on a presentation of our suggested revisions to Chapter 5, which you saw last year. Following your rejection at the first reading, we discussed the path forward - convening a subcommittee to do additional research on the topic and preparing a presentation on the totality of our original work and the subcommittee's findings.

We are still committed to our current draft of Chapter 5's suggested revisions and hope that you will find our presentation persuasive and join us in supporting this draft. We wish to hear your questions on the topic and will reserve time to discuss them. The materials we will be reviewing are attached so you can consider the content in advance.

If any of you would like to discuss anything ahead of time, I welcome you to contact me.

-Brad Bremener

Recommendation

Attachments and Other Resources

1. Proposed Chapter 5 Revision Overview
2. History of Chapter 5 Changes

Vision Statement

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Proposed Chapter 5 Revision Overview



Agenda

- Initiative, Referendum, and Recall are critical tools of the Charter
- A History of Chapter 5 Changes
- A History of Initiative, Referendum, and Recall in Fridley
- Our Goals for Change:
 - Basic clarity
 - Smooth petitioner experience
 - Improve process accessibility
- Understanding the time required to petition
- Q&A

Initiative, Referendum, and Recall are Critical Tools of the Charter

From a recent League of Minnesota Cities training:

Charter creation can also require a petition:

- 10% of city voters in the last state election

State Statute defines Charter Amendment Petition size:

- 5% of city voters in the state election

CHARTER CITY ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Solution for Local Issues• Encourages An Informed Electorate• As Simple or Complex As the City Needs• May Provide for Initiative, Referendum, and Recall	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Costly• Applicability of Statutes, Court Rulings, and Attorney General Opinions is Less Clear• Skillful Drafting More Difficult With Fewer Resources• Amendments/Abandonment are Time-Consuming, Complicated, and Difficult to Pass

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A History of Chapter 5 Changes

Chapter 5 has also been reviewed many times in regard to petitions, but only substantially changed once

1957: 10% of registered voters (15% for Referendum, 25% for Recall)

1976: Values unchanged

1986: Values unchanged

2000: Values unchanged


2008: Values unchanged

2013: 15% of total votes cast at the last general election for both Initiative and Referendum

- While we agree that the shift from registrations to votes cast was a good change this also represented a significant increase in difficulty since 2013

Year	Persons Voting	Registered Voters	10% Registered Voters (prior)	15% Persons Voting (2013 change)	5% Persons Voting (proposed)
2012	14356	18112	1811	2153	718
2024	13869	18375	1838	2080	693

More detail in Supporting Doc 02_02



A History of Initiative, Referendum, and Recall in Fridley

The lower threshold for initiative petitions specifically for Charter Amendments only requires 5% of votes cast in the last state election in the city (State Statute)

- Used 6 times since 2000
- Wide use, varied requirements
 - Smallest only required 284 signatures

The most recent use of non-Charter Amendment petitions was a Referendum in 1999 which required 15% of registered voters

This is the broken incentive - it is MUCH easier for citizens to modify the charter than it is to interact with other legislation through initiative petition.

More detail in Supporting Doc 02_01



Our Goals for Change

- Basic clarity improvements
- Smooth petitioner experience
 - Change from General to Presidential Elections
- Improve process accessibility
 - Using a Presidential Election basis is an increase for 2 of the 4 years
 - Lowering the threshold required for Initiative and Referendum from 15% to 5% Voter Signatures to match the Charter Amendment Petition Level

General Election to Presidential Election Shift

- Election participation shifts greatly between Presidential and non-Presidential elections

Election	Votes cast	5% (proposed for initiatives & referendum)	15% (current for initiatives & referendum)	25% (current for recall and will remain the same)
2024 Presidential Election	13,869	693	2,080	3,467
2022 General Election	10,304	515	1,545	2,576
2020 Presidential Election	15,145	757	2,271	3,786
2018 General Election	11,855	592	1,778	2,963

- There should not be an incentive to do work in particular years just to reduce the burden of signature gathering
- Going forward we will refer to 700 Signatures for Proposed and 2100 signatures for Current



Improve Process Accessibility

- Gathering signatures is not the same as informational canvassing for an upcoming vote
- Let's understand this effort fully with estimates:
 - A canvasser can knock on 25 doors per hour (Perfect case: 25 signatures per hour)
 - If 15% of doors open and 75% of folks can sign (Realistic case: ~3 signatures per hour)

	Perfect Current	Realistic Current	Perfect Proposed	Realistic Proposed
Hours of Effort	84 hours	747 hours	28 hours	249 hours

- Although this *feels* like a big reduction the amount of effort required is still very high
- Reminder that this is only the initiation of the process



Q&A

Date	Type	Ordinance Number	Section	Election	% of Registered Voters	# of Registered Voters	# of Votes Cast
9/24/1957	Initiative	Original Charter	5.05 -FORM OF PETITION AND OF SIGNATURE PAPERS	Registered Voters as of Jan 1 of that year	10%	See note 1 below	N/A
9/24/1957	Initiative	Original Charter	5.06 – FILING OF PETITONS AND ACTION THERON	Registered Voters as of Jan 1 of that year	10%	See note 1 below	N/A
9/24/1957	Initiative Petition	Original Charter	5.07 – ACTION OF COUNCIL ON PETITION Council fails to pass/or changes Vote of electors at the next regular municipal election	Registered Voters	-	See note 1 below	N/A
9/24/1957	Initiative Petition	Original Charter	5.07 – ACTION OF COUNCIL ON PETITION Council fails to pass/or changes Special Election	Registered Voters	Over 15%	See note 1 below	N/A
9/24/1957	Charter Amendments	Original Charter	5.09 – INITIATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS	Right of electors under the constitution and statutes of Minnesota	-	N/A	N/A
9/24/1957	Referendum	Original Charger	5.10 – THE REFERENDUM	Registered Voters	15%	See note 1 below	N/A
			5.12 – NO SUCH SECTION IS IN THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT – NUMBER IS SKIPPED				

Date	Type	Ordinance Number	Section	Election	% of Registered Voters	# of Registered Voters	# of Votes Cast
9/24/1957	Filing of recall petition	Original Charger	5.15 – FILING OF PETITION	Registered Voters	25%	See note 1 below	N/A
11/3/1976	Initiative	625	5.05 – FORM OF PETITION AND OF SIGNATURE PAPERS	Registered Voters as of January 1	10%	See note 2 below	N/A
11/3/1976	Initiative	625	5.06 – FILING OF PETITIONS AND ACTIONS THEREON	Registered Voters as of January 1	10%	See note 2 below	N/A
-	-	-	5.07, 5.09, 5.10, 5.12, 5.15 – NO CHANGE	-	-	-	-
6/23/1986	Initiative	857	5.05 – FORM OF PETITION AND OF SIGNATURE PAPERS	Registered Voters as of January 1	10%	See note 3 below	N/A
6/23/1986	Initiative	857	5.06 – FILING OF PETITIONS AND ACTION THEREON	Registered Voters as of January 1	10%	See note 3 below	N/A
6/23/1986	Initiative	857	5.07 – ACTION OF THE COUNCIL ON PETITIONS Council fails to pass/or changes Vote of electors at the next regular municipal election	Registered Voters as of January 1	-	See note 3 below	N/A
6/23/1986	Initiative	857	5.07 – ACTION OF COUNCIL ON PETITION Council fails to pass/or changes Special Election	Registered Voters as of January 1	Equal to or over 15%	See note 3 below	N/A

Date	Type	Ordinance Number	Section	Election	% of Registered Voters	# of Registered Voters	# of Votes Cast
6/23/1986	Charter Amendments	857	5.09 – INITIATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS	Electors changed to Eligible Voters	-	-	-
6/23/1986	Referendum	857	5.10 – THE REFERENDUM	Registered voters as of January 1	15%	See note 3 below	N/A
-	-	-	5.12 – NO CHANGE	-	-	-	-
6/23/1986	Recall	857	5.15 – RECALL PETITION Changes made other than to the %	Registered voters as of January 1	25%	See note 3 below	N/A
8/10/1988	Charter Amendments	914	5.09 – INITIATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS	Changed it to say “Charter are set forth in Minnesota Statutes.”			
7/27/2000	Initiative	1142	5.05 – NO CHANGE	-	-	-	-
7/27/2000	Initiative	1142	5.06 – FILING OF PETITIONS AND ACTION THEREON	Registered voters as of January 1	10%	18,686 See note 4 below	N/A
7/27/2000	Initiative	1142	5.07 – ACTION OF THE COUNCIL ON PETITIONS Council fails to pass/or changes Vote of electors at the next regular municipal election	Registered voters as of January 1	-	-	-
7/27/2000	Initiative	1142	5.07 – ACTION OF COUNCIL ON PETITIONS	Registered voters as of January 1	At least 15%	18,686 See note 4 below	N/A

Date	Type	Ordinance Number	Section	Election	% of Registered Voters	# of Registered Voters	# of Votes Cast
			Council fails to pass/or changes Special Election				
7/27/2000	Charter Amendments	1142	5.09 – INITIATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS	Referenced Ord. 857 & 914	-	-	-
7/27/2000	Referendum	1142	5.10 – THE REFERENDUM	Registered voters as of January 1	15%	18,686 – See note 4 Below	-
7/27/2000	Referendum	1142	5.12 – FILING OF REFERENDUM PETITIONS	Registered voters as of January 1	15%	18,686 – See note 4 Below	-
7/27/2000	Referendum	1142	5.17 – RECALL PETITIONS	Registered voters as of January 1	25%	18,686 – See note 4 Below	-
7/24/2008	Expenditures by Petitioners	1252	5.02 – Expenditures by Petitioners	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/a
7/24/2008	Action of the Council on Petitioners	1252	5.07 – Action of the Council on Petitions	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/a
5/2/2013	Initiative	1305	5.05 – FORMS OF PETITION AND OF SIGNATURE PAPERS	Total votes cast at the last state general election	15%	-	Need to find the number
5/2/2013	Initiative	1305	5.06 – FILING OF PETITIONS AND ACTIONS THEREON	Total votes cast at the last state general election	15%	-	Need to find the number
5/2/2013	Initiative	1305	5.07 – ACTION OF COUNCIL ON INITIATIVE PETITIONS	A. total votes cast at the last	A. Not less than 15% and	-	Need to find the number

Date	Type	Ordinance Number	Section	Election	% of Registered Voters	# of Registered Voters	# of Votes Cast
			Council fails to pass/or changes Special Election A. Completed Petition With Signatures under 25% B. Completed Petition With Signatures of 25% or More	state general election B. total votes cast at the last state general election	less than 25% B. Equal to at least 25%		
	Charter Amendment	-	5.09 – INITIATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS No change				
-	Referendum		5.10 – THE REFERENDUM No Change				
5/2/2013	RECALL PETITIONS	1305	5.17 – RECALL PETITONS	Votes cast in the last state general election	No Change stayed at 25%	-	Need to find the number

Note 1 - Precise data on the exact number of registered voters in Fridley, MN, for the specific year of 1957 is not available in public online sources. Voter registration data from that era is typically maintained as historical archival material rather than being widely published online in statistical form.

However, historical context indicates that 1957 was a significant year for Fridley.

- The **Village of Fridley** officially became a Home Rule Charter City in 1957.

Note 2 - The specific number of registered voters in the City of Fridley in 1976 is **not directly available** in the provided sources. However, a significant amount of context regarding Minnesota's voting in 1976 is available.

- In the 1976 general election, Minnesota set a record of **1,978,590 voters who participated** statewide, giving it the highest percentage of citizen turnout in the nation.
- 1976 was also a presidential election year, and it was noted that more than one in five voters in Minnesota registered on Election Day, a practice first used statewide in 1974.
- Fridley is located in Anoka County. Around 2008, Anoka County had approximately 185,000 registered voters, but a specific number for Fridley in 1976 is not specified.

For detailed historical precinct-level data, including the number of registered voters in Fridley in 1976, you may be able to consult the physical copies of the *Minnesota Legislative Manual* for 1977-1978, which recorded votes precinct by precinct. These manuals are available from sources such as the Minnesota Legislative Reference Library.

Note 3 - The exact number of registered voters for the City of Fridley in 1986 is **not readily available** in public online sources. This data is generally part of historical election records which are not always digitized at a granular city level.

Note 4 - The **City of Fridley** had a total of **18,686 registered voters** for the General Election held on November 7, 2000.

AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Title: Discussion with the Fridley City Council

Background

The Fridley Charter Commission (Commission) established three strategic values: collaboration, stewardship and engagement. Related to its value of being collaborative, the Commission asserted it could be successful in demonstrating this value by engaging in more active communication with the Fridley City Council (Council). The Commission requested the attendance of the Council at this evening's meetings to support this strategic value.

At its March 2 meeting the Commission contemplated topics to discuss with the Council. Selected topics are as follows:

- The Council's vision for the City
- What are some major City projects coming up (e.g., street projects, parks, etc.)
- What kind of process does the Council want to see for Charter amendments
- What chapters of the Charter does the Council feel need review
- And any others that arise from the conversation.

Recommendation

Attachments and Other Resources

Vision Statement

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AGENDA REPORT



Meeting Date: April 6, 2026
Meeting Type: Charter Commission
Submitted By: Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Title: Future Meeting Topics

Background

Future meeting topics requested by Commissioners:

- Candidate interview process
- Next chapter to review
- Commission Onboarding Manual
- Meeting schedule cadence.

Recommendation

Attachments and Other Resources

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