



City Council Meeting

September 8, 2025

7:00 PM

Fridley City Hall, 7071 University Avenue NE

Minutes

Call to Order

Mayor Ostwald called the City Council Meeting of September 8, 2025, to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present

Mayor Dave Ostwald
Councilmember Patrick Vescio
Councilmember Ryan Evanson
Councilmember Luke Cardona
Councilmember Ann Bolcom

Others Present

Walter Wysopal, City Manager
Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk
Mike Maher, Parks and Recreation Director

Pledge Of Allegiance

Proclamations/Presentations

Approval of Proposed Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Bolcom to adopt the proposed Consent Agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Evanson.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Ostwald declared the motion carried unanimously.

Approval/Receipt of Minutes

1. Approve the Minutes from the City Council Meeting of August 25, 2025.
2. Receive the Minutes from the Council Conference Meeting of August 25, 2025.

New Business

3. Ordinance No. 1433, Creating Title No. 7 (Licensing) of the Fridley City Code and Updating the Chapters Contained Therein and Updating Chapter 209 (Fees) – Second Reading
4. Resolution No 2025-105, Updating City Council Appointments and Designations.

Claims

5. Resolution No. 2025-107, Approving Claims for the Period Ending September 3, 2025.

Open Forum, Visitors: (Consideration of Items not on Agenda – 15 minutes.)

Mary Palmer, 1329 Gardena Avenue, requested a Police Officer in the morning when Totino Grace and the Islamic Center have people coming, and in the afternoon when the people are going from those places. She commented on the traffic delays and concerns for emergency services in the neighborhood.

Adoption of Regular Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Cardona to adopt the regular agenda. Seconded by Councilmember Vescio.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Ostwald declared the motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

New Business

6. Resolution No. 2025-106, Approving a Massage Therapist Individual License Application for Ying Song to Operate at Dave's Sport Shop

Beth Kondrick, Deputy City Clerk, presented a request for a Massage Therapist Individual License application for Ying Song to operate at Dave's Sport Shop. She provided background information on the Massage Therapy Business License for Dave's Sport Shop, which was approved in July. She provided information on the application review process and recommended approval of the request as presented.

Councilmember Evanson asked if customers are supposed to enter through the front of the store. He commented that he was recently at an adjacent business and noted signage for the massage business on the back of the building.

Scott Fuerstenberg, Dave's Sport Shop, replied that the signage existed from the previous massage business, and he will remove that signage as soon as possible. He stated that the massage business has been busy, and it will be great to have another employee.

Motion made by Councilmember Evanson to approve Resolution No. 2025-106, Approving the Massage Therapist Individual License Application for Ying Song to Operate at Dave's Sport Shop. Seconded by Councilmember Bolkom.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Ostwald declared the motion carried unanimously.

7. Resolution No. 2025-104, Approving a Cooperative Agreement Between the City of Fridley and Great River Greening for Habitat Restoration Work at Innsbruck Nature Center

Mike Maher, Parks and Recreation Director, stated that the City has the opportunity to accept grant funds for work in one of the parks by partnering with Great River Greening. He provided details on the proposed Cooperative Agreement for Innsbruck Nature Center, project outcomes, and recommended approval of the resolution as presented.

The Council expressed support for the project, recognizing the low cost to the City.

Motion made by Councilmember Vescio to approve Resolution No. 2025-104, Approving a Cooperative Agreement Between the City of Fridley and Great River Greening for Habitat Restoration Work at Innsbruck Nature Center. Seconded by Councilmember Cardona.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Ostwald declared the motion carried unanimously.

Informal Status Reports

Councilmember Vescio noted his upcoming plans to participate in a ride-along with the Police Department.

The Council invited residents to attend the public art ribbon-cutting event at Moore Lake Park this week. The Charter Commission has an opening, and interested residents should apply. Residents were also encouraged to attend the upcoming Autumn Sampler fundraiser at Spring Brook Nature Center.

Adjourn

Motion made by Councilmember Bolkcom to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Cardona.

Upon a voice vote, all voting aye, Mayor Ostwald declared the motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Moore
City Clerk

Dave Ostwald
Mayor