

Minutes

Special Committee of the Whole



Meeting date: June 18, 2025

Time: 5:00 PM

Location: Chaska Event Center
3210 Chaska Blvd, Chaska, MN 55318

Members present:

- ☒ Chair, Charlie Zelle
- ☐ Judy Johnson, District 1
- ☒ Reva Chamblis, District 2
- ☒ Tyronne Carter, District 3
- ☒ Deb Barber, District 4
- ☒ John Pacheco Jr., District 5

- ☒ Robert Lilligren, District 6
- ☒ Yassin Osman, District 7
- ☒ Anjuli Cameron, District 8
- ☒ Diego Morales, District 9
- ☒ Peter Lindstrom, District 10
- ☒ Gail Cederberg, District 11

- ☒ Susan Vento, District 12
- ☐ Chai Lee, District 13
- ☐ Toni Carter, District 14
- ☐ Vacant, District 15
- ☒ Wendy Wulff, District 16
- ☒ = present

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Metropolitan Council acknowledges that the land we currently call Minnesota and specifically the seven-county region is the ancestral homeland of the Dakota Oyate who are present and active contributors to our thriving region. As part of the Metropolitan Council's commitment to address the unresolved legacy of genocide, dispossession, and settler colonialism and the fact that government institutions, including the Metropolitan Council, benefitted economically, politically, and institutionally after the forceable removal of the Dakota Oyate, the Metropolitan Council is dedicated to instilling Land, Water, and People Commitments in regional policy. These commitments support the Dakota Oyate, the eleven federally recognized Tribes in Minnesota, Ho-Chunk Nation, and the American Indian Communities representing over 150 diverse Tribal Nations that call the seven-county region home.

Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment

The Dakota Land, Water, and People Acknowledgment was read by Chair Zelle.

Call to order

1. 4:30 pm: Open house with light refreshments provided by Red Bench Bakery
2. 5:00 pm: Committee of the Whole call to order

Chair Zelle: Welcome

Taylor Hubbard, Mayor of Chaska: Opening remarks

Tane Danger: Introduction and question-and-answer session with CM Barber

Panelist discussion hosted by Tane Danger and Council Member Deb Barber. The panel focused on Chaska: 'Then and Now' with Chaska Mayor Taylor Hubbard and former Mayor Mark Windschitl.

Tane Danger hosted an additional panel discussion 'Community Discussion: District 4 Perspectives' with Courtney Johnson, Mayor of Carver; Billy Wermerskirchen, Shakopee Business Owner; Bill Rudnicki, Tribal Administrator, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux

Community.

Tane Danger ended the event with closing remarks.

Adjournment

Business completed; the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing narrative and exhibits constitute a true and accurate record of the Metropolitan Council's Committee of the Whole meeting of June 18, 2025.

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