



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 Chair Supple at 4:08 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

- HRA Members Present: Mary Supple, Chair; Maria Regan Gonzalez; Sue Sandahl; and Erin Vrieze Daniels.
- HRA Members Absent: Pat Elliott.
- Council Members Present: Maria Regan Gonzalez, Mayor; Edwina Garcia; Mary Supple; Simon Trautmann; and Ben Whalen.
- 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.

Item #1	CITIZEN PLANNER TRAINING
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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 20, 2019

Mary B. Supple
HRA Chair

Kate Aitchison
Housing Specialist

John Stark
Executive Director