

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 19, 2024

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at 5:31 p.m. at the Norton Shores Branch Library Community Room, 705 Seminole Road.

Present: Mayor Nelund and Council Members Fisher, Fox, Hylland, Jurkas, Kasher, Morgenstern, Olson, and Sowa; also, Anthony Chandler, Doug Hughes, Joe Kinnucan, Chris Lonnais, Jim Murphy, Rachel Pavlich, Marc Vanderstelt, and Ted Woodcock.

Absent: None

Agenda Public Comment

Joseph Morden, 4872 Grand Ave, shared concerns about the City's leaf ordinance.

24-139 Minutes

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve minutes from the November 4 City Council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

24-140 Consent

Council Member Morgenstern moved to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of City Department Reports. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

24-141 Land Division – 4155 Dunes Pkwy, Anthony Sainz

Council Member Fisher moved to grant permission to Anthony Sainz, the property owner, to divide the property at 4155 Dunes Pkwy to create a new parcel. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried unanimously.

24-142 Land Division – 3541 & 3549 Wickham Dr, Thomas Serio

Council Member Jurkas moved to grant permission to Thomas Serio, the property owner, to divide the properties at 3541 & 3549 Wickham Dr to create three separate parcels. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously with Council Member Olson recusing.

24-143 Land Division – 313 E Mt Garfield Rd, Jerry Vanderstelt

Council Member Morgenstern moved to grant permission to Jerry Vanderstelt, the property owner, to divide the property at 313 E Mt Garfield Rd to create a new parcel. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

24-144 Approve – City of Norton Shores Cemetery Rules and Regulations

Council Member Sowa moved to approve the revisions and updates to the Cemetery Rules and regulations that will go into effect January 1, 2025. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas.

Council Member Jurkas made a motion to postpone the item. The motion was supported by Council Member Hylland with a roll call vote 8/1 with Council Member Fox against.

24-145 Introduction – Prohibition of Employment of Relatives Ordinance

Council Member Sowa moved to postpone an amendment to section 2-237 of the City ordinance pertaining to the prohibition of employment of relatives. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

Lynn Boughner, 1994 Forest Park Rd; George Maniates, 2124 Forest Park Rd; and Adam Cook, 2032 Forest Park Rd; all shared concerns with speeding on Forest Park Rd.

TJ Parker, 3546 Jeffrey St, shared his concern with Padelt St during the school year and suggested a sign to remind people to use the sidewalk.

Holly Pelkey, MADL Lead Librarian, gave an overview of activities coming up for the holiday season at the library.

Council Member Hylland asked if Forest Park was scheduled to be rebuilt with Public Works Director Jim Murphy explaining that it was not currently on the schedule. Council Members Hylland and Morgenstern were in favor of using remaining ARPA funds for an off-road path.

Council Member Morgenstern brought concern from a parked airstream with City Administrator Anthony Chandler commenting that the City has been notified.

Council Member Sowa and Morgenstern reminded council that they would be absent during next week's work session.

City Administrator Anthony Chandler gave an update on the Managed Deer Hunt Program stating 47 deer had been harvested, with 28 out of Lake Harbor Park.

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.



Rachel Pavlich, City Clerk