Pursuant to the due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the North Mankato City Council was held in the Municipal Building Council Chambers on September 18, 2023. Mayor Carlson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., asking everyone to join the Pledge of Allegiance. The following were present for roll call: Council Members Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, City Administrator McCann, Finance Director Ryan, Community Development Director Fischer, Public Works Director Arnold, City Planner Lassonde, and Administrative Services Manager-City Clerk Van Genderen.

Approval of Agenda

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Oachs, to approve the agenda as presented. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Approval of Council Minutes from September 5, 2023, Council Meeting.

Council Member Oachs moved, seconded by Council Member Steiner, to approve the September 5, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Approval of Council Work Session Minutes from September 5, 2023, Council Work Session.

Council Member Whitlock moved, seconded by Council Member Peterson, to approve the September 5, 2023, Council Work Session Minutes. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Public Comments

None.

Consent Agenda

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Oachs, to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Bills and Appropriations.
- B. Res. No. 61-23 Accepting Donations/Contributions/Grants.
- C. Approved Audio Permit for Tails N Trails Fun Run 5K/BENCHS on September 30, 2023, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Spring Lake Park.

Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Business Items

Res. No. 62-23 Approving a Preliminary Tax Levy.

Finance Director Ryan noted that the Preliminary Tax Levy is based on City Council discussion and guidance. Currently, the rate increase would be 1.5%, and the levy increase would be 12.93%. She reminded the Council that it would be the max. Council could decrease the levy for final approval in December but could not increase the levy. She noted a public hearing would be held on December 14, 2023, and the final levy would be established on December 18, 2023. City Administrator McCann pointed out that the current budget presentations are based on the 1.5% rate increase. City Administrator McCann said that the rate is also dependent on the County's preliminary spring assessment numbers; the new numbers will be coming out soon. Mayor Carlson requested information on the website concerning what the levy and the tax rate references. Finance Director Ryan mentioned

that there is a summary in one of the first budget presentations. Mayor Carlson requested clarification on if the average home is \$250,000 or if it should be higher. Finance Director Ryan stated the City provides several examples of homes, including those above and below the \$250,000 dollar mark. She did remind the City Council that the City is only one portion of the taxes.

Council Member Peterson moved, seconded by Council Member Whitlock, to Adopt Res. No. 62-23 Approving a Preliminary Tax Levy. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Set a Public Hearing for 7 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023, to Consider an Ordinance Amending Chapter 31.01 (C) (6), Administrator.

Attorney Kennedy reported the proposed Ordinance would repeal the language that set forth the City Administrator's spending authority. He noted most Cities managed the amount through a resolution and not through an Ordinance, as it is easier to change a resolution.

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Oachs, to Set a Public Hearing for 7 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023, to Consider an Ordinance Amending Chapter 31.01 (C) (6), Administrator. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Set a Public Hearing for 7 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023, to Consider an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 114.1 Cannabis and Marijuana Smoking and Vaping.

Attorney Kennedy stated the Ordinance is in response to the Council's direction to limit the smoking of marijuana to larger parks. City Administrator McCann stated the Ordinance language is open for discussion. Council Member Peterson requested clarification on if it is still illegal near minors. Attorney Kennedy said it is still illegal as that language is a part of the State Statute. Police Chief Gullickson spoke before the City Council and noted that City staff attended a meeting with Nicollet County and surrounding jurisdictions concerning regulations. He said the concern he came away with was overregulation of the product, where individuals will be too restricted in using the product that they will be forced to break the law. Mayor Carlson noted that Caswell was included as a park where smoking marijuana was allowed and stated he disagreed with its inclusion. It was determined to eliminate Caswell Parks but to add Wheeler Park.

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Whitlock, to Set a Public Hearing for 7 p.m. on Monday, October 2, 2023, to Consider an Ordinance Amending City Code Chapter 114.1 Cannabis and Marijuana Smoking and Vaping. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Res. No. 63-23 Ordering the Preparation of Report on Improvement for Project No. 23-07 ABCDEF Sherman Street Improvement Project.

City Engineer Sarff stated the project would be a complete reconstruction of the sanitary sewer, watermain, and storm sewer systems, along with complete reconstruction of the existing street and sidewalks and street lighting. He noted that not all of the streets would include sewer and water. The total estimated project cost is approximately \$3.2 million. The segment of Sherman Street between South Avenue and Belgrade Avenue is designated as a Municipal State Aid Street, so an estimated \$700,000 of State Aid could be applied to the project. City Engineer Sarff noted that the City is currently in the budgeting process for 2024. Still, staff wanted to start the process, so if the budget includes the reconstruction, the bidding process can occur early in the year. He also noted that the assessment process does take additional time to complete.

Council Member Steiner moved, seconded by Council Member Peterson, to Adopt Res. No. 63-23 Ordering the Preparation of Report on Improvement for Project No. 23-07 ABCDEF Sherman Street Improvement Project. Vote on the motion Peterson, Oachs, Whitlock, Steiner, and Carlson, aye, no nays. Motion carried.

Open Forum

Tom Hagen, 927 Lake Street, appeared before Council and thanked them for their work.

City Administrator and Staff Comments

City Administrator McCann invited everyone to Bier on Belgrade on Saturday, September 23^{rd,} from 2:00-10:00 p.m.

City Administrator McCann reminded residents about Music in the Park on Thursdays in September from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Wheeler Park.

City Administrator McCann invited everyone to participate in the MAPO ADA Transition Study Open House on September 26th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Intergovernmental Center.

City Administrator McCann announced the Trivia Nights with Radio Mankato at the Spring Lake Warming House from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on September 29th, October 13th, November 3^{rd,} and December 1st,

City Administrator McCann announced First Aid and CPR Training on Monday, October 2nd, from 5:15 -7:30 p.m. at the Warming House.

City Administrator McCann thanked all who attended the Symphony on the Prairie concert and all those who made it possible.

City Administrator McCann noted that the Norwood Inn sale is almost complete.

City Administrator McCann reported the speed radar was set up on Sherman Street due to the concerns expressed by Council Member Steiner.

Mayor and Council Comments

Council Member Oachs noted the ASA Board Meeting would be held on Friday, September 22^{nd,} and a report and information would be forthcoming.

Council Member Peterson thanked the City for not collecting on the concession stand funds during Pack the Stands, as the event raised close to \$20,000 for the Blaisdell family, who lost their child.

At 7:31 p.r	n., on a motion b	y Council Membei	r Steiner, secon	ded by Council	Member
Oachs, the Counc	il Meeting was ac	djourned.			

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City Clerk		

COUNCIL WORK SESSION September 18, 2023

Under due call and notice thereof, a Council Work Session of the North Mankato City Council was held in the Council Chambers on September 18, 2023. Mayor Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following were present for roll call: Council Members Steiner, Oachs, Peterson, and Whitlock, City Administrator McCann, Finance Director Ryan, Community Development Director Fischer, Public Works Director Arnold, and Administrative Services Manager-City Clerk Van Genderen.

Budget Work Session: 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Capital Facilities/Equipment Replacement Fund and Construction Fund

Finance Director Ryan stated the CIP is a multi-year planning instrument identifying the needs and financing sources for vehicles, equipment, public infrastructure, and amenities over the next five years. Exhibit A included in the packet includes additional future needs and potential projects planned for the future as identified but not yet scheduled. The projects have been identified during strategic planning efforts or Council Work Sessions. Finance Director Ryan noted that items placed in the identified but not yet scheduled should not be seen as fixed commitments but as future placeholders for projects and equipment/vehicles. Expenditures budgeted for 2024 in the operating budgets of the General Fund, Construction Funds, Capital Facilities and Equipment Replacement Fund, and Utility Funds are identified in the CIP with the identified funding source(s). Finance Director Ryan noted that at \$65,164,475, the total value of projects identified in the 2024-2028 CIP is \$22,331,303 more than the 2023-2027 CiP. Finance Director Ryan noted that several items influenced the increase. First, staff moved several items from the General Fund to the CIP. Second, two departments were added to the schedules to provide additional transparency. Third, Public Works Director Arnold reviewed the items and updated their cost estimates and project year. The CIP moved the Indoor Recreation Project from 2023-2025 and reduced the amount of City Funds for the Somerset project in 2028.

Finance Director Ryan noted that the City did not bond for projects in 2023. City Administrator McCann said the City planned to bond for the Somerset project however, due to a proposed development not occurring, the City decided not to proceed with the project. Mayor Carlson asked if the City does not have the road built, will that hinder the development of the property? Community Development Director Fischer responded, saying it does not hinder development because the process of developing property takes time, and the City would have time to react before a development was built.

Council Member Peterson requested clarification on Public Safety money. City Administrator McCann reported they are State Funds the City will receive. North Mankato will receive approximately \$620,000, and staff determined to use the funds on capital improvements, including the body cameras and a police cruiser, with additional funds yet to be determined. Council Member Peterson asked if the \$18 million for a new public works facility was realistic.

Public Works Director Arnold stated it would depend on whether the City could utilize City-owned land and if funding could be acquired from the State. Mayor Carlson requested clarification on the \$1.5 million in 2025 that was earmarked for the Public Works Building. Public Works Director Arnold noted those funds would be used for preliminary work and plans. Council Member Steiner asked if the new Public Works building would be in its current location. Public Works Director Arnold stated it would be in upper North. City Administrator McCann noted the location is currently unknown, and the concern is about cost. Mayor Carlson requested an update on if the City will continue to manage the streets with issues. City Administrator McCann noted that Public Works Director Arnold and City Engineer Sarff are reviewing and

COUNCIL WORK SESSION September 18, 2023

updating the pavement needs plan. City Administrator McCann pointed out that the current plan is to start investing funds into the ravines again.

Mayor Carlson commented that he attended the events at Caswell North, noticed the volume of people using the facility, and asked about creating paved parking. City Administrator McCann commented that the City has had discussions with the school district, which owns the property, concerning a possible land swap for building a new school. He stated they are open to the idea.

Wildlife Management

City Planner Lassonde reported the City had received resident complaints about the deer population. The City has responded in the past but previously concluded there is not a deer problem in the community. With new complaints, the City conducted a study to determine the need and next steps.

City Planner Lassonde reviewed the issues that residents reported, including overbrowsing of ravine and hillside vegetation and landscaping vegetation on private property. Residents expressing concerns include those on Lake Street and Mary Lane and Sherwood Drive, above the Lake Street hillside. City Planner Lassonde reviewed the impact of over-abundance, which provides for increased conflicts with humans in the urban/suburban environment in the form of car collisions, property damage, landscape destruction, health concerns, and other ecological damage due to over-browsing. Some people enjoy deer interactions, but when encounters exceed human tolerance levels, that is when there is deer overabundance. If deer populations are reduced, there will be increased plant production, regeneration, and/or plant diversity. Deer overabundance can also contribute to public health issues, including the potential spread of Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses.

Responsibility for deer impact on private property is outlined in the DNR's Urban Deer Population Control Policies and Procedures. The State owns the wildlife but is not liable for damage caused by wildlife. The DNR manages deer populations through regulated hunting. When a city's ordinances preclude hunting, responsibility for deer population management reverts to the City. North Mankato ordinances prohibit the discharge of firearms and prohibit the feeding of deer. While cities are responsible for deer population management, the onus still lies with homeowners to take precautions on their properties to deter deer rather than attract them.

In the past, the City has responded to resident concerns in various ways, including creating, in 2017, Ordinance 91.19 Prohibition on supplemental Deer Feeding, which prohibits intentionally feeding deer. The City also adopted Resolution No. 25-18 in 2018, which stated there was no need for a deer hunt in the City of North Mankato. In 2019, the City met with several residents concerning problematic deer, then spoke with the DNR and created a flier with recommendations on making homemade deer repellant and other ways to repel deer.

Staff continue to receive concerns about deer, and in 2022-2023, this study began. The study reviewed deer collisions with vehicles, and between 2013 and 2022, there were 62 total crashes over that period within City limits. A drone inventory was undertaken, which found at the Lake Street hillside, there were eight deer, which exceeds the DNR deer per square mile of habitat goal. Staff met with DNR representatives Stein Innvaer, Brian Haroldson, and Tom Hagen, resident at 927 Lake Street, to review the collected data. DNR representatives indicated the evidence was inconclusive concerning if North Mankato has a deer overabundance. However, they did agree that some residents are experiencing adverse impacts from the deer. The DNR did indicate that in 2023, they increased the number of deer that can be harvested

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around North Mankato and intend to increase it again in 2024. Discussion held with the DNR indicated that while the evidence is inconclusive, the City may consider that reducing citizen complaints may be a significant goal for the City.

Cities can manage deer populations by establishing ordinances banning the feeding of urban deer and encouraging residents to use deterrents, including sounds, lights, plant deterrents, electric fencing, and exclusion fencing. The City could allow hunting during deer season. Still, given the small amount of land providing deer habitat within city limits, staff believe it would be a dangerous situation to allow deer hunting. The City could also allow removal by a special permit from the DNR. Removal can be done by sharpshooting performed by a hired contractor of the local police department. This type of hunt may be more suitable for small acreage of habitat similar to that seen in North Mankato. To obtain a permit, the local government unit must follow a few steps, including estimating, the urban deer population, identifying a population goal, performing public involvement, developing a management plan, keeping and maintaining records of deer/car collisions and citizen complaints, request in writing a DNR deer removal permit, and submit and or update a wildlife control application.

City Planner Lassonde reported staff is recommending the City take action, including performing a citizen survey to receive feedback on management, and then completing a Wildlife Management Plan that establishes goals aimed at diminishing impacts from not only excessive deer but other animals that cause damage to properties. The City would also create an Urban Deer page on the City's website to provide information for residents, including deterrence and allowing a place for complaints. If the complaints meet an established level, the City would have the Police Department complete a deer hunt.

The City Council discussed the recommendation and how it would be implemented, including the hunt being based on a complaint threshold and being able to do the DNR-permitted hunt accordingly. City Planner Lassonde emphasized the first step is to create the Wildlife Management Plan. City Planner Lassonde also noted that the deer could be used as part of a food recovery program in town. The deer would need to be processed at a USDA-certified facility.

City Council Members agreed it would be in the best interest of the City to move forward with creating a Wildlife Management Plan.

Council Member Steiner moved, seco Council Work Session at 6:42 p.m.	nded by Council Member Oachs, to adjourn the
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Affidavit of Publication STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH. SS.

Steve Jameson, being duly sworn, on oath states as follows: 1. I am the publisher of The Free Press, or the publisher's designated agent. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated in this Affidavit, which is made pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §331A.07.

2. The newspaper has complied with all of the requirements to constitute a qualified newspaper under Minnesota law, including those requirements found in Minnesota Statutes §331A.02.

3. The dates of the month and the year and day of the week upon which the public notice attached/copied below was published in the newspaper are as follows:

The printed notice which is attached was cut from the columns of said newspaper, and was printed and published the following dates: 09/22/23, and printed below is a copy of the lower case alphabet from A to Z, both inclusive, which is hereby acknowledged as being the size and kind of type used in the composition and publication of the notice: abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz

4. The Publisher's lowest classified rate paid by commercial users for comparable space, as determined pursuant to

§331A.06, is as follows: _3630_.

5. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §580.033 relating to the publication of mortgage foreclosure notice: The newspaper's known office is located in Blue Earth County. The newspaper complies with the conditions described in §580.033, subd. 1, clause (1) or (2). If the newspaper's known office of issue is located in a county adjoining the county where the mortgaged premises or some part of the mortgaged premises described in the notice are located, a substantial portion of the newspaper's circulation is in the latter county.

Public Notice September 22, 2023 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF NORTH MANKATO
COUNTY OF NICOLLET
STATE OF MINNESOTA
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the City Council of the City
of North Mankato, Minnesota,
will hold a public hearing on
Monday, October 2, 2023, at a
meeting of the Council beginning
at approximately 7:00 n m at the at approximately 7:00 p.m. at the North Mankato Municipal Build-North Mankato Municipal Build-ing, 1001 Belgrade Avenue, North Mankato, Minnesota, to consider amending City Code, and adding Chapter 114.1 Cannabis and Mari-luana Smoking. To view the com-plete ordinance, please contact the City Clerk.

All interested persons may appear at the public hearing and present their views orally or in writing.

Dated: This 18th day of September 2023. BY ORDER OF THE NORTH MANKATO CITY COUNCIL April Van Genderen

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAITH NOT.

Steve Jameson, Publisher

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this day 09/22/2023

Notary Public

SHARON L TOLAND NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 01/31/26

ORDINANCE NO. 162 CITY OF NORTH MANKATO NICOLLET COUNTY MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NORTH MANKATO CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of North Mankato is the official governing body of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota ("the City"); and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has legalized the use of cannabinoids, including the use by smoking and vaping; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, at its regular meeting of on October 2, 2023, enacted Ordinance No. 162.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, does hereby ordain as follows:

<u>Chapter 114.1 Cannabis and Marijuana Smoking</u> The Code for the City of North Mankato shall be amended as follows:

Prohibited Activities: No person shall smoke, vape, or ingest by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid or product derived from marijuana or hemp in any of the following locations:

- (1) Anywhere smoking is prohibited by the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act;
- (2) Inside any transit shelter;
- (3) In any City Park other than Benson Park, Bluff Park, Wheeler Park, or Spring Lake Park;

In Benson Park, Bluff Park, Wheeler Park, or Spring Lake Park, smoking, vaping, or ingesting by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid shall be allowed only in designated smoking areas or as part of a properly permitted festival. In no case shall a person smoke, vape, or ingest by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid in the presence of a minor.

Effective date. This section becomes effective on the date of its publication or upon the publication of the Ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPTE of, 202	ED by the City Council of the City of North Mankato, thisday 3.
	Scott Carlson, Mayor
ATTEST:	
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September 22, 2023
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North Mankato Municipal Building, 1001 Belgrade Avenue, North
Mankato, Minnesota, to consider Mankato, Minnesota, to consider amendments to Chapter 31.01 (C) (6), City Administrator. To view the complete ordinance, please contact the City Clerk.

All interested persons may appear at the public hearing and

present their views orally or in

Dated: This 18th day of September 2023. BY ORDER OF THE NORTH MANKATO CITY COUNCIL April Van Genderen City Clerk

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Steve Jameson, Publisher

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this day 09/22/2023

SHARON L TOLAND NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 01/31/26

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

COUNTY OF NICOLLET STATE OF MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota, will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 2, 2023, at a meeting of the Council beginning at approximately 7:00 p.m. at the North Mankato Municipal Building, 1001 Belgrade Avenue, North Mankato, Minnesota, to consider amendments to Chapter 31.01 (C) (6), City Administrator. To view the complete ordinance, please contact the City Clerk.

All interested persons may appear at the public hearing and present their views orally or in writing.

Dated: This 18th day of September 2023.

BY ORDER OF THE NORTH MANKATO CITY COUNCIL

/s/April Van Genderen April Van Genderen City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 161 CITY OF NORTH MANKATO NICOLLET COUNTY MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 31.01 (C)(6) OF THE NORTH MANKATO CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of North Mankato is the official governing body of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota ("the City"); and

WHEREAS, Section 31.01 of the North Mankato City Code establishes the position and powers of the position of City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Section 31.01 (C) (6) of the North Mankato City Code establishes limits on the purchasing power of the City Administrator of the City of North Mankato without prior authorization of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to change the limit of the authority, and

WHEREAS, the City Council, at its regular meeting on October 2, 2023, enacted Ordinance No. 161, repealing North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C) (6) and replacing that section with the new North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C) (6) regarding the authority of the City Administrator to make purchases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. REPEAL. The Code of the City of North Mankato, County of Nicollet, State of Minnesota section:

North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C)(6): Make or let purchases and contracts when the amount thereof does not exceed \$150,000.00 and to receive estimates, sealed bids, purchases, or contracts in excess of \$150,000 and present them to the Council for official action:

Shall be repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2. NEW CODE SECTION. Section 31.06 (C)(6) of the Code of the City of North Mankato, County of Nicollet, State of Minnesota, is replaced with the following:

North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C)(6)

(i) Make or let purchases and contracts for claims that do not need council approval, including the payment of judgments; payment of principal or interest on obligations where the exact amounts have previously been fixed by contract; rent; fixed charges under a

- contract that was previously authorized by the City Council or wages that have been set by the Council or State law.
- (ii) Make or let purchases and contracts from imprest funds established by the City Council
- (iii) Make or let purchases and contracts for claims under an amount the Council sets by resolution.
- (iv) Receive estimates, quotations, sealed bids, purchases, or contracts in excess of the limit determined by the City Council by resolutions and then present them to the City Council for official action.

Effective date. This section becomes effective on the date of its publication or upon the publication of the summary of the Ordinance 161, Fourth Series as provided by M.S. Section 412-191 Sub 4 as may be amended from time to time, which meets the requirements of M.S. Section 331A.01 Sub 10 as it may be amended from time to time.

	OPTED by the City Council of the City of North Mankato, thisday 2023.
	Scott Carlson, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Kevin McCann, City	Administrator



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	4068	LIKE NU CLEANERS	10/02/2023	Regular	0	9.05	98081
	0812	MANKATO BEARING COMPANY	10/02/2023	Regular	0	38.21	98082
	0832	MANKATO TENT & AWNING CO.	10/02/2023	Regular	0	68.00	98083
	0835	MANKATO WEST ACTIVITIES DEPT	09/26/2023	Regular	0	700.00	98052
	0283	MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATIC		Regular	0	1,306.71	98084
	0904	MINNESOTA STATE FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION	10/02/2023	Regular	0	1,050.00	98085
	2055		09/27/2023	Regular	0	120,022.13	98058
	1037	MINNESOTA/WISCONSIN PLAYGROUND	09/27/2023	Regular	0	87,088.07	98056
		NICOLLET COUNTY		Regular	0	21,498.45	98057
	1037	NICOLLET COUNTY	09/27/2023	_	0	12,602.00	98086
	1037	NICOLLET COUNTY	10/02/2023	Regular	0	•	
	1045	NIELSEN BLACKTOPPING	10/02/2023	Regular	0	87,053.43	98087
	1066	NORTHLAND SECURITIES, INC.	10/02/2023	Regular	0	2,375.00	98088
	1080	ORTHOPAEDIC & FRACTURE CLINIC PA	10/02/2023	Regular		832.50	98089
	4004	PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE - MARSHALL	10/02/2023	Regular	0	288.20	98091
	3748	PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE	10/02/2023	Regular	0	679.75	98090
	1106	PETTY CASH	10/02/2023	Regular	0	70.37	98092
	2512	PLAY IT AGAIN SPORTS	10/02/2023	Regular	0	1,507.50	98093
	1133	POWERPLAN/RDO EQUIPMENT	10/02/2023	Regular	0	354.82	98094
0	4069	PROKORE	10/02/2023	Regular	0	2,557.20	98095
0	3149	RADEMAKER, CHAD	09/18/2023	Regular	0	660.00	98042
0	3149	RADEMAKER, CHAD	10/02/2023	Regular	0	712.00	98096
0	3630	RAIN KINGS BAND	09/27/2023	Regular	0	500.00	98059
0	1170	RAMY TURF PRODUCTS	10/02/2023	Regular	0	315.00	98097
0	3936	REBAR LEADERSHIP CORPORATION	10/02/2023	Regular	0	3,500.00	98098
0	3938	RICE COMPANIES, INC	10/02/2023	Regular	0	111,985.05	98099
0	4065	SAWYER'S DREAM	09/21/2023	Regular	0	600.00	98044
0	2070	SCHEELS	10/02/2023	Regular	0	204.00	98100
0	3794	SIR LINES-A-LOT, LLC	10/02/2023	Regular	0	5,549.52	98101
0	1349	STONE & STEEL DESIGN, LLC	10/02/2023	Regular	0	110.72	98102
	4073	TINY MOBILE ROBOTS	10/02/2023	Regular	0	581.79	98103
	4070	TRAVERSE DES SIOUX GARDEN CENTER	10/02/2023	Regular	0	7,500.00	98104
	3307	VINNIES MINN. SNO PENTICO ICE & MFG	10/02/2023	Regular	0	176.00	98105
	2112	WATER CONSERVATION SERVICES, INC.	10/02/2023	Regular	0	5,225.00	98106
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01568	ZIEGLER, INC.	10/02/2023	Regular	0	1,374.45	98107
00101	AT&T MOBILITY	09/27/2023	Bank Draft	0	65.43	DFT0008501
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00311	CULLIGAN (HEALTHY WATER SOLUTIONS LLC)	09/19/2023	Bank Draft	0	114.50	DFT0008503
00733	LAKES GAS CO #10	09/19/2023	Bank Draft	О	207.96	DFT0008505
00733	LAKES GAS CO #10	09/27/2023	Bank Draft	0	163.30	DFT0008507
00910	MINNESOTA VALLEY TESTING LAB, INC.	09/20/2023	Bank Draft	0	85.80	DFT0008508
00910	MINNESOTA VALLEY TESTING LAB, INC.	09/13/2023	Bank Draft	0	85.80	DFT0008509
00910	MINNESOTA VALLEY TESTING LAB, INC.	09/22/2023	Bank Draft	0	70.95	DFT0008510
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01470	VERIZON WIRELESS	09/19/2023	Bank Draft	0	1,170.28	DFT0008515
01525	WEST CENTRAL SANITATION, INC.	09/27/2023	Bank Draft	0	3,855.36	DFT0008516
00551	A.H. HERMEL COMPANY	10/04/2023	EFT	0	1,306.97	6777
00028	AFFORDABLE TOWING OF MANKATO, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	512.00	6778
01090	AMERICAN SOLUTIONS FOR BUSINESS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	5,160.30	6779
00105	AUTO VALUE MANKATO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	133.89	6780
00123	BATTERIES+BULBS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	78.00	6781
03745	BIEVER, DAN	09/20/2023	EFT	0	810.00	6769
00172	BOHRER, TOM	10/04/2023	EFT	0	479.99	6782
00216	C & S SUPPLY CO, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	507.68	6783
02757	CINTAS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	230.32	6784
03886	CLOUDPERMIT INC	10/04/2023	EFT	0	1,500.00	6785
02706	CORE & MAIN LP	10/04/2023	EFT	0	2,668.03	6786
00322	DALCO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	548.47	6787
02275	DEM-CON MATERIALS & RECOVERY	10/04/2023	EFT	0	5,421.30	6788
00373	ECKERT, LELAND	09/20/2023	EFT	0	510.00	6770
03338	FISCHENICH, WILLIAM	09/20/2023	EFT	0	270.00	6771
01098	GILLETTE GROUP/PEPSI-COLA	10/04/2023	EFT	0	685.00	6789
00482	GMS INDUSTRIAL SUPPLIES, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	101.00	6790
00538	HAWKINS, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	6,840.80	6791
03750	HERWIG, NICHOLAS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	600.00	6792
00743	LARKSTUR ENGINEERING & SUPPLY, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	37.38	6793
00776	LLOYD LUMBER CO.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	268.26	6794
00793	M & M SIGNS, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	288.00	6795
00796	MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	226.56	6796
00874	MENARDS-MANKATO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	354.14	6797
00902	MINNESOTA IRON & METAL CO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	16.50	6798
00997	MTI DISTRIBUTING CO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	1,395.17	6799
01052	NORTH CENTRAL INTERNATIONAL	10/04/2023	EFT	0	7,718.92	6800
03020	NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS, INC.	10/04/2023	EFT	0	1,342.69	6801
02245	ONSITE	10/04/2023	EFT	0	510.99	6802
02005	PANTHEON COMPUTERS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	8,508.37	6803
03141	PIPES, ROGER	09/20/2023	EFT	0	1,620.00	6772
01402	POMPS TIRE	10/04/2023	EFT	0	31.80	6804
01211	RIVER BEND BUSINESS PRODUCTS	10/04/2023	EFT	0	163.07	6805
03971	RIVER BEND LEASING	10/04/2023	EFT	0	258.33	6806
01281	SIGN PRO	10/04/2023	EFT	0	345.00	6807
01396	THURSTON, KEVIN	09/20/2023	EFT	0	630.00	6773
01411	TOSTENSON, PHILLIP	09/20/2023	EFT	0	150.00	6774
03191	US SOLAR	10/04/2023	EFT	0	5,966.01	6808
03140	VELDHUISEN, ROSE	09/20/2023	EFT 	0	360.00	6775
01478	VIKING FIRE & SAFETY LLC	10/04/2023	EFT 	0	496.84	6809
03442	WASMUND, LARRY	10/04/2023	EFT	0	3,607.50	6810
03328	WOLLENZIEN, RICK	09/20/2023	EFT	0	330.00	6776
00234	CENTER POINT ENERGY	09/27/2023	Bank Draft	0	1,053.26	DFT0008487
01477	VIKING ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC.	09/19/2023	Bank Draft	0	335.41	DFT0008491
01477	VIKING ELECTRIC SUPPLY, INC.	09/27/2023	Bank Draft	٥	1,072.69	DFT0008495

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Authorization Signatures

All Council

The above manual and regular claims lists for 10/2/2023 are approved by:
SCOTT CARLSON- MAYOR
SANDRA OACHS- COUNCIL MEMBER
JAMES WHITLOCK- COUNCIL MEMBER
WILLIAM STEINER- COUNCIL MEMBER
MATT PETERSON- COUNCIL MEMBER

RESOLUTION APPROVING DONATIONS/CONTRIBUTIONS/GRANTS

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Statute 465.03 and 465.04 allow the governing body of any city, county, school district or town to accept gifts for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with terms prescribed by the donor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, that the following donations/contributions/grants are approved as follows:

Donor	Restriction	Amount
Bill and Shanda Walters	2-4X8 Pavers	\$100.00
Doug Drill	12X12 Paver	\$95.00
Lori Hume	Book Donation	\$50.00
O2 LLC	Fire Donation	\$500.00
O2 LLC	Police Donation	\$500.00
Patrick & Mary O'Brien	Book Donation	\$200.00
Mary Langley	Book Donation	\$100.00
Mary Upson	Book Donation	\$25.00
Kevin and Sandra O'Brien	Book Donation	\$120.00
Denise and Gary Rosin	Book Donation	\$30.00
Dieter and Beth Berninger	Book Donation	\$50.00
Total		\$1,770.00

Mayor	

Adopted by the City Council this 2nd day of October 2023.

RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato owns the following vehicles and equipment; and

	1996 Chevy GM4	VIN: 1GCGK29R	8TE234495	Mileage: 145,722	
	1998 Ford	VIN: 1FDYX86E	7WVA40650	Mileage: 181,907	
	2003 Ford F250	VIN: 1FTNX20L3	33EC82794	Mileage: 186,890	
	WHEREAS, these vehicles are or	wned by the City			
	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOL SOTA, that the aforementioned nicles and equipment is hereby a	vehicles and equ			
	Adopted by the City Council this	s 2nd day of Octo	ober 2023.		
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			Mayor		
ATTEST	:				
City Cle	rk				

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

CITY OF NORTH MANKATO



Agenda Item # 12A	Dept: City Attorney	Council Meet	ing Date: 10/2/23	
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Ordinance	e No. 162, An Ordinance A	mending City Code	Title XI Business Regu	lations
and Establishing Chapter 114.1 Cannal			S	
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENT Ordinance.	AL INFORMATION: Atto	rney Kennedy will	review the proposed	
Ordinance.				
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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION: Ac	dopt Ordinance No. 162, A			
Business Regulations and Establishing (Chapter 114.1 Cannabis an	d Marijuana Smok	ing.	
For Clerk's Use:	SUPI	ORTING DOCUM	ENTS ATTACHED	
Motion By:Second By:	Resolution C	Ordinance Contract	Minutes Map	
5000na 59.				
Vote Record: Aye Nay				
Steiner Peterson	Other (spec	ity)		
Oachs				
Whitlock				
Carlson				
Workshop		Refer to:		
X Regular Meeting		Table until:		
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Special Meeting		Other:		

ORDINANCE NO. 162 CITY OF NORTH MANKATO NICOLLET COUNTY MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE NORTH MANKATO CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of North Mankato is the official governing body of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota ("the City"); and

WHEREAS, the State of Minnesota has legalized the use of cannabinoids, including the use by smoking and vaping; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, at its regular meeting of on October 2, 2023, enacted Ordinance No. 162.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, does hereby ordain as follows:

<u>Chapter 114.1 Cannabis and Marijuana Smoking</u> The Code for the City of North Mankato shall be amended as follows:

Prohibited Activities: No person shall smoke, vape, or ingest by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid or product derived from marijuana or hemp in any of the following locations:

- (1) Anywhere smoking is prohibited by the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act;
- (2) Inside any transit shelter;
- (3) In any City Park other than Benson Park, Bluff Park, Wheeler Park, or Spring Lake Park;

In Benson Park, Bluff Park, Wheeler Park, or Spring Lake Park, smoking, vaping, or ingesting by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid shall be allowed only in designated smoking areas or as part of a properly permitted festival. In no case shall a person smoke, vape, or ingest by smoking or vaping any cannabinoid in the presence of a minor.

Effective date. This section becomes effective on the date of its publication or upon the publication of the Ordinance.

PASSED AND ADOPT	TED by the City Council of the City of North Mankato, thisday 23.
	Scott Carlson, Mayor
ATTEST:	
City Clerk	

CITY OF NORTH MANKATO





Agenda Item # 12B	Dept: City Attorney	Council Meeting Date: 10/2/23
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Ordinance the North Mankato City Code.	No. 161, An Ordinance R	epealing and Replacing Section 31.01 (C) (6) of
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENTA Ordinance.	L INFORMATION: Atto	
		If additional space is required, attach a separate sheet
31.01 (C) (6) of the North Mankato City		Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Section
For Clerk's Use:	SUPP	ORTING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED
Motion By: Second By: Vote Record: Aye Nay Steiner	Resolution O Other (speci	
Peterson Oachs Whitlock	- Cinei (speci	
Carlson	-	
Workshop X Regular Meeting		Refer to: Table until:
Special Meeting		Other:

ORDINANCE NO. 161 CITY OF NORTH MANKATO NICOLLET COUNTY MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 31.01 (C)(6) OF THE NORTH MANKATO CITY CODE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of North Mankato is the official governing body of the City of North Mankato, Minnesota ("the City"); and

WHEREAS, Section 31.01 of the North Mankato City Code establishes the position and powers of the position of City Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Section 31.01 (C) (6) of the North Mankato City Code establishes limits on the purchasing power of the City Administrator of the City of North Mankato without prior authorization of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to change the limit of the authority, and

WHEREAS, the City Council, at its regular meeting on October 2, 2023, enacted Ordinance No. 161, repealing North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C) (6) and replacing that section with the new North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C) (6) regarding the authority of the City Administrator to make purchases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. REPEAL. The Code of the City of North Mankato, County of Nicollet, State of Minnesota section:

North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C)(6): Make or let purchases and contracts when the amount thereof does not exceed \$150,000.00 and to receive estimates, sealed bids, purchases, or contracts in excess of \$150,000 and present them to the Council for official action:

Shall be repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2. NEW CODE SECTION. Section 31.06 (C)(6) of the Code of the City of North Mankato, County of Nicollet, State of Minnesota, is replaced with the following:

North Mankato City Code Section 31.01 (C)(6)

(i) Make or let purchases and contracts for claims that do not need council approval, including the payment of judgments; payment of principal or interest on obligations where the exact amounts have previously been fixed by contract; rent; fixed charges under a

- contract that was previously authorized by the City Council or wages that have been set by the Council or State law.
- (ii) Make or let purchases and contracts from imprest funds established by the City Council
- (iii) Make or let purchases and contracts for claims under an amount the Council sets by resolution.
- (iv) Receive estimates, quotations, sealed bids, purchases, or contracts in excess of the limit determined by the City Council by resolutions and then present them to the City Council for official action.

Effective date. This section becomes effective on the date of its publication or upon the publication of the summary of the Ordinance 161, Fourth Series as provided by M.S. Section 412-191 Sub 4 as may be amended from time to time, which meets the requirements of M.S. Section 331A.01 Sub 10 as it may be amended from time to time.

PASSED AND ADOPTE of, 202	ED by the City Council of the City of North Mankato, thisday 3.
	Scott Carlson, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Kevin McCann, City Adr	oinistrator

CITY OF NORTH MANKATO REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Agenda Item # 12C	Dept: Administration	Council Meeting Date: 10/2/23
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Resolution	Establishing City Administra	tor Contract Authority.
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENTA	AL INFORMATION: Adminis	strator McCann will review the proposed
resolution.		
		If additional space is required, attach a separate sheet
REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION: Ad For Clerk's Use:		TING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED
Motion By:	Resolution Ordin	
Second By:		
Vote Record: Aye NaySteiner	Other (specify)	
Peterson Oachs	-	
Whitlock		
Carlson		
Workshop	Ref	er to:
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Special Meeting	Oth	er:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CITY ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 412.271 regulates the manner in which cities must pay claims and that it specifically allows for a City Council to delegate the authority to pay certain claims to a City Administrative Officer; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it would be beneficial for the effective governance of the city, if this authority was delegated to the City Administrator in regard to the payment of some claims; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA, the following:

	1.	That the Council authorizes the City Administrator to make or let purchases and contracts when the amount of the contract does not exceed \$; and
	2.	The City Administrator shall list with the amount and reason for any such expenditure in the consent agenda for the Council; and
	3.	Any claim in excess of this amount the City Administrator is authorized to receive estimates, quotations, sealed bids, purchase agreements, or contracts and present them to the City Council for approval.
,	Add	opted by the City Council this day of
		Mayor
ATTE	ST	

City Clerk

CITY OF NORTH MANKATO





Agenda Item # 12D	Dept: Administration	Co	uncil Meet	ing Date: 10	0/2/23
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Agreement Services.					
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENTA	AL INFORMATION: AC	lministrato	or McCann	will reviev	w the proposed
					ach a separate sheet
REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION: Ad Mankato for Transit Services. For Clerk's Use:				ENTS AT	
Motion By: Second By: Vote Record: Aye Nay Steiner	Resolution Other (spe	Ordinance	Contract	Minutes	Map
Peterson Oachs Whitlock Carlson					
Workshop X Regular Meeting		Refer to:	il:		
Special Meeting		Other:			

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato and the City of Mankato have entered into an agreement to provide transit service in North Mankato; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato and the City of Mankato have agreed to continue the transit service for calendar year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato desires public transit services to be provided through a combination of fixed route, flex route, and ADA complementary paratransit throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, The City of North Mankato desires for the fixed route service to be provided during those peak hours that warrant this type of service (insert service standards here), and

WHEREAS, The City of North Mankato desires the complementary paratransit service to adhere to ADA standards and be aligned with the hours and days of service fixed route service is provided, and

WHEREAS, The city of North Mankato desires flex route service to be provided as a third origin-to-destination, curb-to-curb transportation option, during the days/hours identified, and

WHEREAS, the term of this agreement shall be January 1, to December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the conditions of payment shall be stated below;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree:

Section 1. **Fixed Route (Bus Route 5):** The City of Mankato will provide nine fixed route trips on a thirty-minute frequency each weekday, departing the Cherry Street Station between the hours of 6:05 – 8:35 a.m., for a 2.5 revenue hour block, and again between 3:05 – 5:05 p.m., for a 2.0 revenue hour block. For budgeting purposes, it is assumed the fixed route service will operate 1,147.5 revenue hours. The routing for the fixed route service will be consistent with the attached route map (Attachment A). Stops are scheduled only; flag down service is unavailable.

Bus Stop Logistics: The City of Mankato and the City of North Mankato will work collaboratively to identify bus stop locations, necessary improvements, and maintenance using the Transit Development Plan¹ as guidance.

¹ https://mnmapo.org/planning-documents/

Section 2. **Paratransit Bus Service:** As defined in FTA Circular 4710,1, access to ADA Complementary Paratransit service operating in North Mankato will be offered to ADA paratransit-eligible individuals. Specific eligibility, whether unconditional, conditional or temporary, will be guided by Chapter 9 of the FTA ADA Circular; Sections 37.123-127. Additionally, the Complementary Paratransit service within the city of North Mankato will be aligned with the hours and days of transit service operating within the North Mankato city limits. Complimentary Paratransit service is an origin-to-destination (door-to-door) service anywhere within the Mankato Transit System service area. The complementary paratransit service provided by the city of Mankato is an advanced reservation system, reservations will be accepted for next-day service and up to four weeks in advance. The city of Mankato accepts all responsibility to ensure compliance with the federal code and complaint resolution regarding the provision of this service. Further, The City of Mankato indemnifies the City of North Mankato against any litigation that arises out of the provision of this service.

Section 3. **Demand Response Service (Kato Flex):** The City of Mankato will provide demand response service known as "Kato Flex", available on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (8.0 revenue hours).

For budgeting purposes, it is assumed the service will operate 2,040 revenue hours. It is understood Kato Flex operates on an advanced reservation basis. There may be times for efficient scheduling that more than one bus is scheduled in North Mankato to meet requested service. Similarly, there may be times where buses may be scheduled in other parts of the service area. This is a shared ride, curb-to-curb service, where registered patrons will be able to travel anywhere within the Mankato Transit System service area.

The City of Mankato will track and report trip denials. A denial is a ride request that cannot be scheduled. If a ride can be agreed upon and scheduled at an alternate time it is not considered a denial. The City of Mankato and the City of North Mankato agree to discuss possible service options should trip denials exceed 7% of total requests for two consecutive months.

Section 4. **No Service Days:** Mankato Transit System does not provide transit service on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, or Christmas Day.

Section 5. **Net Operating Costs:** Net operating costs per hour is defined as gross operating expenses less the amount received in revenue from federal and state grant sources, advertising revenue, and fare collection revenue, which is then divided by the total transit system operating hours. For 2024, the net operating cost is estimated at \$25.36 per operating hour. In the terms of this agreement, North Mankato requests 3,187.5 revenue hours (Fixed Route and Demand Response) and this represents an estimated cost to North Mankato of \$80,835. The amount represented in this Section is estimated and is dependent on actual revenue received and hours utilized.

Paratransit services are reflected in the net operating costs and North Mankato will not be billed separately for Paratransit.

Section 6: **Capital Replacement Costs:** The annual capital replacement cost is divided by the total transit system revenue hours to develop a cost per hour. All Mankato Transit System service agreements contribute to the capital replacement account for transit vehicles and transit facilities on a per revenue hour basis. For 2024, the capital replacement cost is \$15.17 per revenue hour. North Mankato requests 3,187.5 revenue hours therefore contributing \$48,354.38 to capital replacement.

Section 7: **Special Operations Funding Assumptions:** In the event of a projected funding shortfall from federal or state sources in 2024, that would otherwise require additional local subsidy from the City of North Mankato, the City of Mankato reserves the right to curtail service hours within the City of North Mankato to maintain a balanced budget. Mankato Transit System agrees to reduce the service hours within 30-days of notice from the City of North Mankato. It is the operator's responsibility to ensure that any planned service reductions comply with all applicable federal, state, and local public comment policy requirements.

Section 8: **Advertising:** The City of Mankato and the City of North Mankato recognize advertising is one form of revenue that reduces the public share of transit operating expenses. All advertising revenue, regardless of source or location is combined to reduce the total operating cost per hour and provided as a detailed listing and shown as a credit on the annual transit invoice. The City of Mankato may place advertising on transit vehicles used in the City of North Mankato. Advertising in the City of North Mankato public right of way (e.g., shelters or benches) requires the approval jointly by the City of North Mankato and the City of Mankato.

Section 9: **Performance Reporting:** The City of Mankato will be responsible for providing the City of North Mankato a comprehensive monthly transit performance report within 15 days of the end of the previous month. The report will include, at a minimum, monthly ridership revenue hours, and passengers per hour for each type of service delivered and trip denials for Paratransit and Demand Response services. Additionally, the report shall include the previous year's statistics for comparison purposes.

Section 10: **Future Agreements:** The City of North Mankato will advise the City of Mankato of their projected intentions by March 30 to allow forecasting, budgeting, and new service grant development. The City of North Mankato will notify the City of Mankato, in writing, by June 30 in the year prior, of the intention to cancel any of the transit services provided.

Section 11: **NOTICES.** Any notices permitted or required by this Agreement shall be deemed given when personally delivered or upon deposit in the United States

mail, first class and postage fully prepaid, and addressed to the addresses below, or at such other address as either party may provide to the other by notice given in accordance with this provision.

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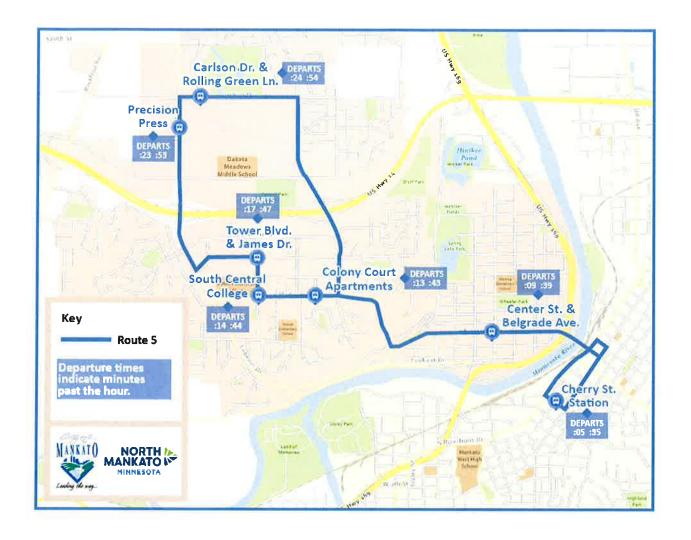
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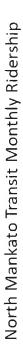
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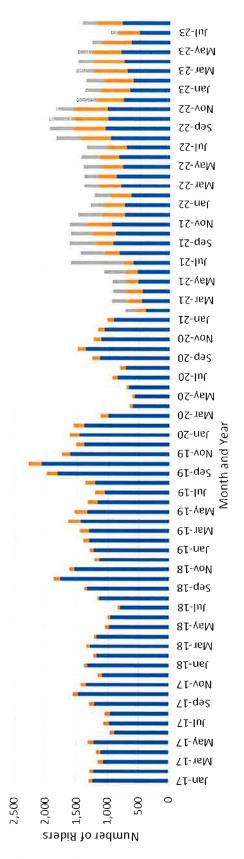
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Attachment D - 2023 Ridership Figures

	Jan-23	Jan-23 Feb-23 Mar-23		Apr-23	Apr-23 May-23 Jun-23 Jul-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Totals
Fixed Route (Route 5)								1					
Ridership	099	209	706	751	803	644	498	783					5,452
Route Hours	66	85.5	103.5	90.00	99.00	99.00	90.00	103.50					769.50
Rides per Hour	6.67	7.10	6.82	8.34	8.11	6.51	5.53	7.57					7.09
Paratransit/Mobility													
Ridership	487	487 473	540	504	475	476	357	430					3,742
Hours	243.5	243.5 236.5	270	252	237.5	238	178.5	215					1871
Rides per Hour	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2					2
Demand Response (Kato Flex and Kato Flex 2)	ato Flex	and Kato	Flex 2)										
Ridership	252	252 298	296	247	246	162	132	225					1858
Hours	176	176 154.5	185	160	176	176	160	184					1371.5
Rides per Hour	1.43	1.43 1.93	1.60	1.54	1.40	0.92	0.83	1.22					1.35





WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato and the City of Mankato have entered into an agreement to provide transit service in North Mankato; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato and the City of Mankato have agreed to continue the transit service for calendar year 20232024; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Mankato desires public transit services to be provided through a combination of fixed route, flex route, and ADA complementary paratransit throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, The City of North Mankato desires for the fixed route service to be provided during those peak hours that warrant this type of service (insert service standards here), and

WHEREAS, The City of North Mankato desires the complementary paratransit service to adhere to ADA standards and be aligned with the hours and days of service fixed route service is provided, and

WHEREAS, The city of North Mankato desires flex route service to be provided as a third origin-to-destination, curb-to-curb transportation option, during the days/hours identified, and

WHEREAS, the term of this agreement shall be January 1, to December 31, $\frac{20232024}{2023}$; and

WHEREAS, the conditions of payment shall be stated below:

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree:

Section 1. **Fixed Route (Bus Route 5):** The City of Mankato will provide nine fixed route trips on a thirty-minute frequency each weekday, departing the Cherry Street Station between the hours of 6:05 – 8:35 a.m., for a 2.5 revenue hour block, and again between 3:05 – 5:05 p.m., for a 2.0 revenue hour block. For budgeting purposes, it is assumed the fixed route service will operate 1,147.5 revenue hours. The routing for the fixed route service will be consistent with the attached route map (Attachment A). Stops are scheduled only; flag down service is unavailable.

Bus Stop Logistics: The City of Mankato and the City of North Mankato will work collaboratively to identify bus stop locations, necessary improvements, and maintenance using the Transit Development Plan¹ as guidance.

¹ https://mnmapo.org/planning-documents/

Section 2. **Paratransit Bus Service:** As defined in FTA Circular 4710,1, access to ADA Complementary Paratransit service operating in North Mankato will be offered to ADA paratransit-eligible individuals. Specific eligibility, whether unconditional, conditional or temporary, will be guided by Chapter 9 of the FTA ADA Circular; Sections 37.123-127. Additionally, the Complementary Paratransit service within the city of North Mankato will be aligned with the hours and days of transit service operating within the North Mankato city limits. Complimentary Paratransit service is an origin-to-destination (door-to-door) service anywhere within the Mankato Transit System service area. The complementary paratransit service provided by the city of Mankato is an advanced reservation system, reservations will be accepted for next-day service and up to four weeks in advance. The city of Mankato accepts all responsibility to ensure compliance with the federal code and complaint resolution regarding the provision of this service. Further, The City of Mankato indemnifies the City of North Mankato against any litigation that arises out of the provision of this service.

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The City of Mankato will track and report trip denials. A denial is a ride request that cannot be scheduled. If a ride can be agreed upon and scheduled at an alternate time it is not considered a denial. The City of Mankato and the City of North Mankato agree to discuss possible service options should trip denials exceed 7% of total requests for two consecutive months.

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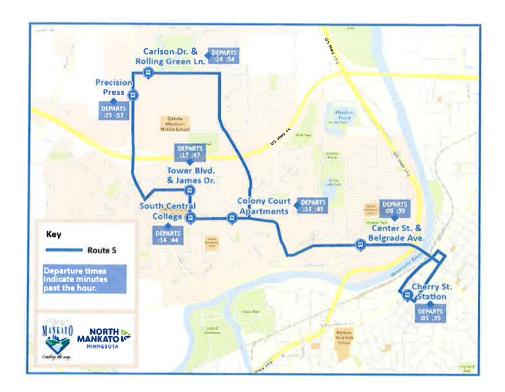
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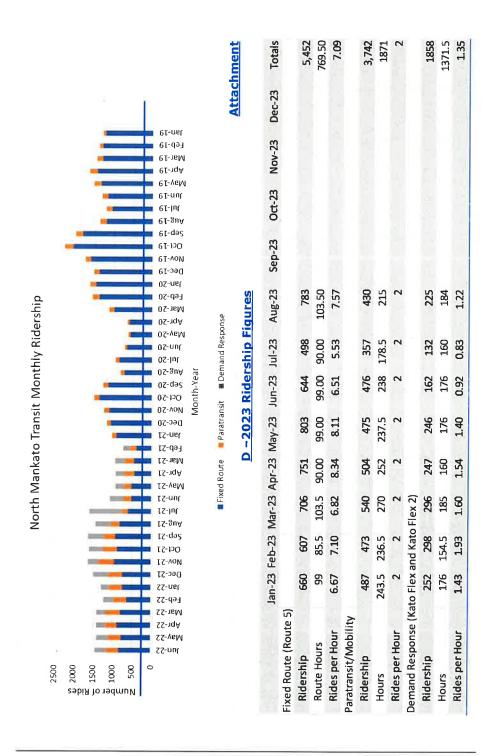
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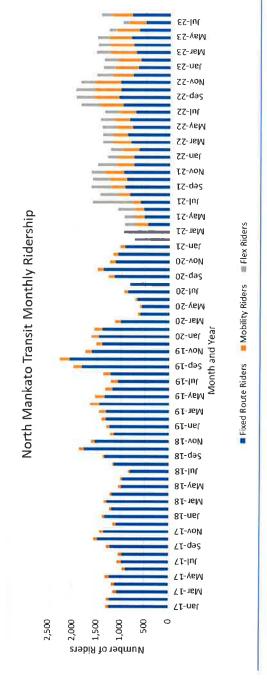
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-Rides per Hour	7.90	7.07	7.75	9.37	8.17	8:45							00 13
Paratransit/Mobility													
-Ridership	340	344	385	293	340	329						1	2031
Hours	971	775	192.5	146.5	024	164.5						.0	1015.5
Rides per Hour	2.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	5.00							200
Demand Response (Ka	to Flex)												
-Ridership	217	254	223	230	300	280					ý	9	1287
Hours	126	177	139	153	160	178					4		851
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Mankato receives \$700K boost for city bus service

By Mark Fischenich

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MANKATO — Mankato's city bus system, including the paratransit program for riders with disabilities, is in line for more than \$700,000 in savings thanks to a special appropriation for outstate Minnesota transit systems approved by the Minnesota Legislature earlier this year.

The two-year program aims to provide some relief for the steep inflation in the cost of fuel and new buses in the previous two years.

Average Minnesotans noticed the sting of gas prices and the soaring cost of new and used cars during the post-pandemic economic recovery. For someone attempting to keep numerous buses fueled up and replace aging buses, the issues were particularly magnified.

"Here are a couple of examples for you," said Shawn Schloesser, transit supervisor for the city of Mankato.

The average monthly cost of fuel for the Mankato Transit System's buses was under \$16,283 in 2021. It jumped to \$27,294 per month in 2022 and was still above \$22,400 this year.

The cost of buses skyrocketed over the same period.

"Large model bus prices increased from \$530,000 to \$688,000 for replacement buses," Schloesser said. "Smaller model bus prices increased from \$167,000 to \$263,000 for replacement buses."

In addition, supply chain issues delayed the delivery of new buses that were slated to arrive in 2020, 2021 and 2022 until this year, which drove up the transit system's maintenance costs as it worked to keep the aging fleet on the road.

The state's response, part of the transportation funding bill signed by Gov. Tim Walz on May 24, was to reduce local shares of transit operational costs while boosting the percentage paid from federal and state sources. The required local share dropped from 20% for traditional fixed route buses and 15% for paratransit service to 5% for each.

For capital purchases, which primarily involve the cost of replacement buses, the local share is temporarily dropping from 20% to 10%.

Over two years, starting in July of this year and ending on June 30, 2025, the discounted local share is expected to save Mankato \$716,115.

Because the savings are essentially targeted at making up for the inflationary costs, the impact on transit service will be minimal. But the reduced local shares also mean the city won't be feeling as much financial pressure to reduce service or increase local revenue sources, which come from fares paid by riders, from a \$415,000 transit property tax levy, from advertising sold on buses and from contracts to provide bus service for North Mankato and Minnesota State University.

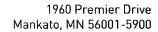


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CITY OF NORTH MANKATO REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Agenda Item # 12E	Dept: City Engineer	Council Meeting Date: 10/2/23
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Resolution	Awarding Bid for the 2023	Sanitary Sewer Relining Project.
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENTA	AL INFORMATION: City E	ngineer Sarff will review the proposed project.
		If additional space is required, attach a separate sheet
REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION: Ad Project. For Clerk's Use:		RTING DOCUMENTS ATTACHED
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September 27, 2023

Kevin McCann
City Administrator
City of North Mankato
1001 Belgrade Avenue, P.O. Box 2055
North Mankato, MN 56002-2055

RE:

2023 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project

City Project No. 23-05A

BMI Project No. 0M1.131582

Dear Kevin,

Bids were received and opened on Tuesday, September 26th at 11:00 am for the 2023 Sanitary Sewer Lining project.

The project includes the following improvements:

- Bidding Section A: Sanitary sewer extending from the lift station on Carol Court to the lift station on Marvin Boulevard
- Bidding Section B: Sanitary sewer located behind the houses south of Marvin Boulevard

Three (3) bids were received, and the results of the bids are tabulated below:

Bidder	Section A	Section B	Total Amount Bid
Hydro-Klean, LLC	\$76,377.41	\$109,293.11	\$186,670.52
Insituform Technologies USA, LLC Visu-Sewer, Inc.	\$112,231.71 \$179,166.00	\$168,952.82 \$108,700.00	\$281,184.53 \$387,866.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$84,242.00	\$133,450.00	\$217,692.00

The low bid from Hydro-Klean, LLC is approximately 15% below the Engineer's Estimate and 33% below the next lowest bidder.

Hydro-Klean, LLC is a subsidiary of HK Solutions Group based in Des Moines, Iowa. HK Solutions Group has over 50 years of experience in municipal and industrial pipeline lining and rehabilitation. It is our opinion that Hydro-Klean is qualified to perform the work required under this contract.

It is my understanding that funds are available in the sewer fund to cover the cost of the project based on the low bid amount. We hereby recommend that Hydro-Klean be awarded the project for a contract amount of \$186,670.52.

Mr. Kevin McCann September 27, 2023 Page 2

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Bolton & Menk, Inc.

Daniel R. Sarff, P.E.City Engineer

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID PROJECT NO. 23-05A 2023 SANITARY SEWER LINING PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to an advertisement for bids for Project No. 23-05A 2023 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project, bids were received, opened, and tabulated according to the law, and the following bids were received complying with the advertisement:

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USA, LLC	\$112,231.71	\$168,952.82	\$281,184.53
Visu-Sewer, Inc.	\$179,166.00	\$108,700.00	\$387,866.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MANKATO, MINNESOTA that the mayor and clerk are hereby authorized and directed to enter into the attached contract with Hydro-Klean, LLC of Des Moines, Iowa in the name of the City of North Mankato for Project No. 23-05A 2023 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project, according to the plans and specifications therefor approved by the city council and on file in the office of the city clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the city clerk is hereby authorized and directed to return forthwith to all bidders the deposits made with their bids, except that the deposits of the successful bidder and the next lowest bidder shall be retained until a contract has been signed.

Adopted by the City Council this the 2nd day of October 2023.

	Mayor	
Attest:		
	City Clerk	

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

CITY OF NORTH MANKATO



Agenda Item # 12F	Dept: City Administrator	Council Meeting Dat	te: 10/2/23
TITLE OF ISSUE: Consider Resolution 2024 National Fitness Campaign.	to Adopt and Allocate Fund	s for an Outdoor Fitnes	s Court as Part of the
BACKGROUND AND SUPPLEMENTA background and information concerning		dministrator McCann v	vill provide
DECLINATE COLUMN A CENTAL A		If additional space is require	
REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION: Add as Part of the 2024 National Fitness Cam	ipaign.		
For Clerk's Use: Motion By: Second By:	Resolution Ord	RTING DOCUMENTS inance Contract Minut	
Vote Record: Aye Steiner Peterson Oachs Whitlock Carlson	Other (specify)	
Workshop X Regular Meeting		efer to:	
Special Meeting	O	ther:	

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR FITNESS COURT® AS PART OF THE 2024 NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN

At a meeting of the North Mankato City Council held on October 2, 2023 wherein the following action was taken:

WHEREAS, the CITY OF NORTH MANKATO has submitted a Grant Application to National Fitness Campaign (NFC) for participation in their 2024 initiative to install and activate outdoor Fitness Courts® in 200 cities and schools across the country; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF NORTH MANKATO will accept a \$50,000 National Grant from our NFC Grant Committee and Statewide Partners, and provide a local match in the amount of \$110,000 Approved by NFC Grants Committee to promote and implement a free-to-the-public outdoor Fitness Court®; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF NORTH MANKATO will secure supplemental funding as needed through community sponsors, which will be made available and committed to this program for the purchase of the outdoor Fitness Court®; and

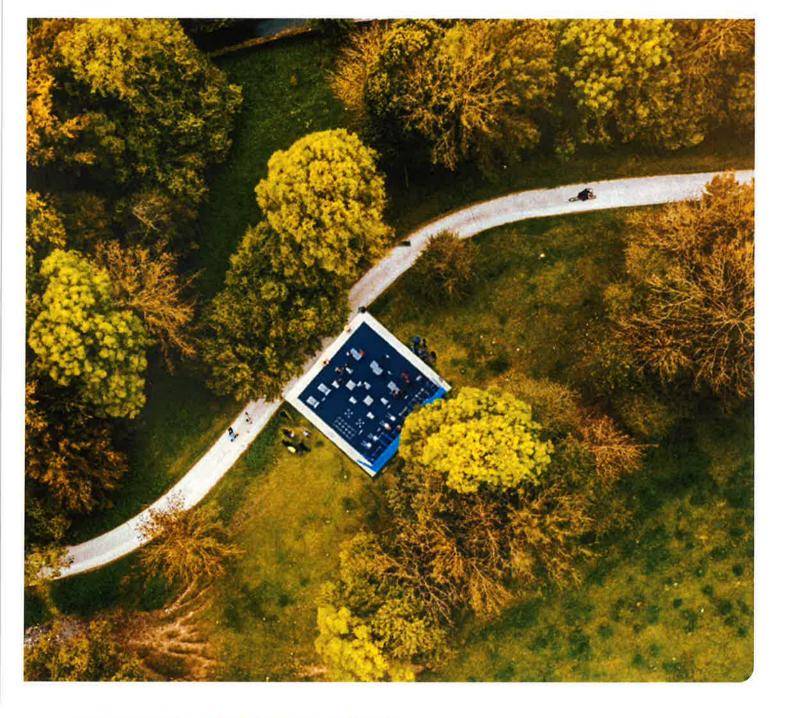
WHEREAS, the CITY OF NORTH MANKATO will commit to construction and launch of the outdoor Fitness Court® by the end of the 2024 calendar year, and;

WHEREAS, the North Mankato City Council believes the outdoor Fitness Court® is an important wellness ecosystem that supports healthier communities, commits to funding/fundraising to participate in NFC's 2024 Campaign, and will earn local and national recognition as a leader in providing affordable health and wellness.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the North Mankato City Council will collaborate with NFC to implement the outdoor Fitness Court® and make fitness free to community residents and visitors.

Adopted by the City Council this 2nd day of October 2023.

	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
City Clerk		



DESIGN GUIDELINES SITE PLANNING CRITERIA

Strategies and Tools for successful Fitness Court Integration





Site Planning Key Factors + Requirements

is determined, there are several key factors The following strategies are noted to help within the selected location. After the site guide site placement of a Fitness Courtto consider when placing the Fitness

are meant to be deployed in all instances that will help guide and inform all planning processes - this ensures the ideal location Court" within the park itself. These tools

within the park or along a trail is identified

leading to higher usage of the Fitness Court over fine, and encourages the maximum number of users.





LOCATION

a prominent location. It is also recommended to situation the Fitness Court or regional trail, significant natural element such as a body of water, and in within a cluster of existing park amenities near a basketball or tennis court. Wisen possible, the Fitness Court, should be placed along an active local soccer filed, or other similar recreation amounties.



ORIENTATION

The Finnass Court should be oriented in a way that provides the greatost visibility to adjacent park users. The Fitness Court's should not face a wall or fence. See below for further explanation. Fitness Court's should be perpendicular to wall for sight-line safety and visibility concerns.



BUFFER ZONE

The Fitness Courf, should not be located within 25' of a wall or fence. This obscures all views to the back mural wall and could potentially create unsafe. zones hear the Fitness Court. Seatwalls between 18"-24" are encouraged as are 6" curb to deal with certain site grading conditions, Ideally a 2-3" buffer is maintained between the Fitness Court, and seatwall or curb



SAFETY

The Fitness Count 'should be placed in an area of the park that can be monitored by surfaced by surfaced in an area of the drad base. This kepps keep "eyes" on the facility at all lines of day and ensures there is no nis-use occurring during orthess hours. In addition, when placed in the ideal declaration there will be kever opportunities for graffit tagging and other debenent of any property.



In order to ensure the safety of its users, the Fitness Court should be positioned in a way that does no obscure sight-lines onto the front of the facility. Fitness Courts should be placed parallel to walkways, and face

VISIBILITY

sulward for maximum view-sheds.

Site Planning Key Factors + Requirements



CONNECTIVITY

recreational amenities. When available, Fitness Courts, should be placed no more that 10° from an active real to encourage users along the path of travel. begins to connect the network proporting health and wellness in the locale In instances where multiple Fitness Courts—are located within a city, this Active regional trails help connect neighborhoods to parks and other



DISTANCE

the Finess Court, and prevent any food waste or hot coals on the surface itself. Exceptions can be made in certain situations where site constraints are present, or there is proper fencing or landscape buffers around the adjacent facility. This setback requirement should help deter children from playing on All Fitness Courts should be placed 150° away from a playground or BBO park uses to discourage use by individuals 14 and under



SITE INFRASTRUCTURE

Once the Fitness Courty is constructed, we encourage partners to integrate other site furnishings such as bike racks, water fountains, benches, shade structures, sight lighting etc. This can extend the use-time of the Fitness Court into the evening hours and during not summer months.



LAND USE

The Fitness Court, is designed for users 14-, it should be placed in an appropriate land use designation that encourages finglished its parks, along trails, ingly schools, colleges etc. The Fitness Court should not be placed near an elementary school middle school or lessure park. It should be placed in developed park airsis that have like amendies such as a basketball courts, tenins courts, or pickle-plail field.



Do's and Don'ts | Case Studies

Below are a series of use cases for the Fitness Court. This is meant to be a quick planning tool for all partners to help deter-

mine the most appropriate placement and finishing of the Fitness Court, in instances where the proposed location is unclear.

the NFC design team will assist to further understand implications of the discussed site.

Best Use Cases for Fitness Court Placement

ACCESS
Walking + Cycling Infrastructure



Required to have direct access to the Fitness Court[®] from the adjacent trail for ADA purposes.



Don't place the Fitness Court* in an undeveloped open space. Future park master plans must be approved and funding secured if considering an undeveloped site.

LOCATION Proximity



walking loop



Don't place the Fitness Court near a playground or splashpad facility

Do's and Don'ts | Case Studies

ORIENTATION + SAFETY BUFFER Setbacks + Distances



ie brick wall, any type of fencing. The Fitness Court"should be oriented perpendicular to the vertical surface. Do create open Do place Fitness Court at least 25' away from vertical structure visual sightlines around Fitness Court



wall. This creates zones where individuals could potentially hide which could encourage misuse of the Fitness Count" or Don't place the Fitness Court' directly up against a fence or lead to vandalism of city property.

EDGE CONDITIONS

Surrounding Surfaces



Acceptable edge conditions include grass, landscape planting, mulch, hardscape or other rubber surfacing material.



Unacceptable edge conditions include gravel, sand and decomposed granite. This poses a huge maintenance issue.

Conceptual Park Design: Fitness Court Integration

has adequate space in the grass area behind for a Studio Fitness Court expansion, is clustered amongst other park scenario for the Placement of the Fitness Court, it is along a major trail connector, The graphic below depicts an ideal

the Fitness Court? In addition there are recreation opportunities, and integrates several regional trail connections and a nice internal walking loop trail for users to enjoy. There are on site restroom various site furnishings to compliment

facilities and a dining area that is spaced appropriately away from the Fitness Court to avoid food and beverages from spilling on the surface.

Free, Fun and Fully Accessible Fitness Court Network

Acceptable Adjacent Amenities

Basketball

Unacceptable Adjacent Amenities

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PLACEMENT IS CRITICAL

Vatural site shade

Regional trail connection

Main bike/ped trail spine

Restroom facilities Cate/picnic area

Site furnishings (drinking fountain, seating, trash receptacle)

Fitness Court directly off main trail in key visible location

Clear space for Fitness Court Studio addition



Park seating and rest zones throughout

4 4 4

Flex zones for active and passive recreation

BBQ/picnic zone

Regional trail connection

Internal walking loop

Similar park amenities

condition surrounding Fitness Court (grass) Appropriate edge

City owned and operated park land

"Being able to walk to a state-of-the-art fitness center and now this beautiful park, only enhances the desirability of the area. We are proud to see so many people choosing to call Northwest Huntsville home."

-Huntsville, AL District 1 Council Member Devyn Keith





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