

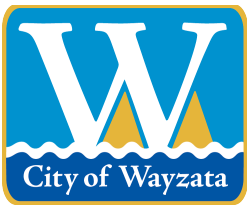
**Wayzata City Council Workshop Meeting Agenda
Wayzata City Hall, 600 Rice Street
Meeting Held Remotely
TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2021**

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WORKSHOP TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Discussion of Maintenance, Operations, Programming, and Planning of Downtown Wayzata for 2021 (4:30 - 5:00 pm)



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MEETING DATE: April 6, 2021	WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM: 1
TITLE: Discussion of Maintenance, Operations, Programming, and Planning of Downtown Wayzata for 2021 (4:30 - 5:00 pm)	
PREPARED BY: Emily Goellner, Community Development Director, Mike Kelly, City Engineer/Director of Public Works, Marc Schultz, Interim Police Chief	
REVIEWED BY: Jeff Dahl, City Manager	

DISCUSSION OBJECTIVE:

To listen and provide feedback on the City's internal plan to effectively maintain, operate, program, and plan for downtown Wayzata in 2021 and provide direction on future community engagement.

BACKGROUND:

This item was brought up at March 16 Council Meeting as time sensitive due to the changing of the seasons.

Since last year, the downtown Wayzata has been transformed due to the completion of Phase I of Panoway AND the societal impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic. These two variables will make downtown Wayzata a very popular gathering spot for the foreseeable future. Rather than be reactive to how the new space will be utilized, staff is taking a proactive approach, from a variety of perspectives, in order to best manage it through the summer. Below is a summary of actions that already been taken, or are planning to take place, in the near future:

- Update of Maintenance and Operations Plan for Panoway
- Hiring additional parks worker
- Adding Parks Planner
- Exploring bike patrol
- Increasing frequency of trash removal
- Adding signage and crosswalks at trail and street
- Limiting events in the plaza area indefinitely
- Adding additional maintenance into CIP

Overall, these initial steps should help ensure that downtown Wayzata is safe, clean, and welcoming and that staff has the appropriate resources to manage.

Staff realizes that there is much more to discuss in terms of opportunities for the future. Some key areas of focus will be in maintenance and operations, safety, events, programming, and community engagement. These discussions, however, should not be held in a vacuum, rather, a variety of community stakeholders should be engaged through a committee that would serve as a landing pad for ideas and provide overall direction on the utilization of downtown Wayzata along Lake Street. Key stakeholders that should be at the table are: City Council, City staff (Parks, Police, and Planning), Chamber, Wayzata Conservancy, Parks and Trails Board, Lake Street Business Owners, Lake Street Property Owners, nearby residents, Three Rivers Park District, Volunteer Committee, etc.

Staff will discuss this idea in more detail at the meeting with the goal of forming a steering committee to vet this idea further.

ATTACHMENTS:

None