

**WAYZATA CITY COUNCIL
WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
February 10, 2026**

Mayor Mullin called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Council Members present, in-person, in the community room at City Hall offices: Koch, MacDonald, Plechash, and Sorensen. City Staff included Interim City Manager Aurora Yager.

6:15 p.m. Discussion of Greater Lake Minnetonka Area Legislative Coalition

Ms. Yager provided background on the current status of the Greater Lake Minnetonka Area Legislative Coalition noting that at the November 18, 2025 City Council Workshop the Council heard an update from Mayor Mullin about an effort from some mayors in the lakes area who are interested in joining together with a lobbyist to advocate at the capital with one voice. Since that workshop, the cities that have agreed to join the coalition include:

- 1) Minnetonka Beach
- 2) Spring Park
- 3) Mound
- 4) Greenwood
- 5) Deephaven
- 6) Woodland
- 7) Tonka Bay
- 8) Long Lake

Assuming Wayzata is still interested in participating, the estimated cost of hiring a lobbyist is \$35,000, with Wayzata's share at around \$6,000.

Mayor Mullin noted that the cost for the lobbyist contract went down due to a reduction in scope and due to a smaller number of cities participating. Deephaven has been designated to take the lead and hold the lobbying contract and organize the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA).

Consensus from the Council was to move forward with the JPA for the Legislative Coalition which would be considered at a future Council Meeting.

6:30 p.m. Discussion of Greater Lake Minnetonka Area Legislative Coalition

The council discussed the following future workshop and general topics.

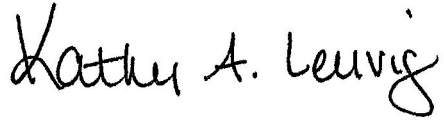
- February 24 - Lake Street Closures - Event Planning Update and Parks and Trails Master Plan Update
- March 10 - Pre Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting with Hennepin County and Park
- Dedication Ordinance Review
- March 24 - Comprehensive Plan Scope and RFP Review and Public Dock Rental and Use Requests
- April 7 - No workshop - Local Board of Appeal and Equalization Hearing

Council Member MacDonald suggested that as part of the future June workshop item regarding the future of retail that the scope be broadened to include recruiting more independent retailers, discussing how the City could be more supportive either financial or with marketing, and looking at examples from other cities and ambassador programs. She noted some examples from other cities to support their downtowns including Missoula Montana and the North Loop in Minneapolis.

The Council also discussed wanting to talk about how the Chamber may fit into this topic or potential initiatives.

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55 Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy A. Leervig". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'K' and a clear, legible 'A' and 'Leervig'.

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57 Kathy Leervig, City Clerk

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