



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

City Council Work Session

December 9, 2025

ITEM #1	CALL TO ORDER
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Mayor Supple called the work session to order at 6:15 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

Council Present: Mary Supple, Mayor; Walter Burk, Sean Hayford Oleary, Rori A. Coleman-Woods.

Council Absent: Sharon Christensen

Staff Present: Katie Rodriguez, City Manager; Kristin Asher, Public Works Director; Chris Link, Deputy Public Works Director; Michelle Friedrich, City Clerk.

Guests: None.

ITEM #2	ITEM DISCUSSION
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- a. Discuss Proposed Public Works Storage Site at Diagonal Boulevard and Cedar Avenue South.

Public Works Director Asher presented information regarding Public Works storage needs and requested direction from Council on whether to proceed with a new storage facility. She reviewed the current storage site uses and noted that the proposed site would offer improved accessibility. Public Works Director Asher stated that she has received many calls regarding selling the current property and has declined the offers.

Council noted concerned that the proposed property is directly across from residential homes. Deputy Public Works Director Link stated that salt storage would remain on-site and clarified that the proposed location would serve as a temporary storage facility, primarily accessed during business hours, with after-hours access limited to emergency situations. He reviewed the types of materials to be stored at the site. Public Works Director Asher displayed images of the existing storage facilities and noted that the new site would be designed similarly to the Taft location.

Council and staff discussed retirement of the Taft location. Public Works Director Asher confirmed that the Taft storage facility would be retired and reviewed the shortcomings of the current storage sites. Deputy Public Works Director Link added that the roadway at the Taft location would continue to be used.

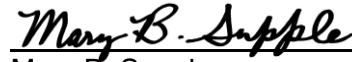
Director Asher presented the proposed site plan, budget, and project schedule. Director Link reviewed potential impacts to neighboring properties.

Council shared concerns and recommendations related to ensuring the properties are maintained in a clean and orderly manner.

ITEM #3	ADJOURNMENT
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Mayor Supple adjourned the work session at 6:45 p.m.

To Be Approved: January 13, 2026



Mary B. Supple
Mayor



Michelle Friedrich
City Clerk



Katie Rodriguez
City Manager