

CITY OF WACONIA
MAY 7, 2026

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the meeting of the Planning Commission of the City of Waconia was called to order by Commissioner Chair Genz at 6:30 PM.

The following Commissioners were present: Planning Commission Member Genz, Planning Commission Member Polunc, Planning Commission Member Paulsen, Planning Commission Member Peterson, Planning Commission Member Malinski

The following Commissioners were absent: Planning Commission Member Weckman

The following Commissioners were present but not voting: None

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Braaten said there were no changes to the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Paulsen to adopt the agenda.
Seconded by Commissioner Peterson.

MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Polunc to approve the April 9th minutes.
Seconded by Commissioner Paulsen.

MOTION CARRIED

1) April 9, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

4. NEW BUSINESS

1) SITE PLAN UPDATE – Water Treatment Plant No. 4

Braaten introduced this agenda item as more of an informational piece to keep everyone in the loop regarding the progress of the new water treatment plant. He brought up the map and indicated the existing site. He also described the infrastructure of the plant as well as the neighborhoods that would be serviced. Discussion followed about the business park that is planned to the east of the subject property. The future business park shows that it will be approximately 126 acres. A short discussion followed regarding what that would look like. Further discussion followed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

6. OTHER

1) Staff Update

Braaten updated the Commission on the following items:

1. The City owned former UFC site planning process will hold a public open house on June 2nd to get input from the community.
2. Went over the new home number TYD.
3. The Wilford mixed use project downtown has received its certificate of occupancy.
4. June 4th is the next Planning Commission meeting. The agenda could include an ordinance amendment related to cannabis.
5. Talked about the 2050 Comprehensive Plan with proposals going out next month to get a consultant on board and from there lay out timelines.
6. The Elm Creek Ridge residential development will grading starting in June.
7. The Woodland Trail residential development was approved and work should be starting this summer as well.
8. With the Woodland Trail project a regional lift station will be installed along with some planned significant trail connections.

7. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Paulsen to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Peterson.

MOTION CARRIED

8. WORK SESSION - SHORELAND FLEXIBILITY ORDINANCE