

NORTHWEST MUNICIPAL CONFERENCE

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Agenda

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

6:00 p.m.

**NWMC Offices, 1600 East Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines
Or**

Via Videoconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89010231314>

Dial: (312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 890 1023 1314

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- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call**
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2024 (Attachment A)**
- V. President’s Report – Tom Dailly, NWMC President and Mayor, Village of Schaumburg**
 - A. March Board Presentation – NWMC Public Safety Pension Briefing (Attachment B)**
Staff will present the NWMC Public Safety Pension Briefing, which was created to educate lawmakers and other stakeholders about public safety pension issues and the impacts of proposed changes to the Tier 2 system.
Action Requested: Discussion
 - B. FY2024-2025 NWMC Officer Nominations (Attachment C)**
On February 29, staff emailed the FY2024-2025 NWMC Officer Nomination Form to the Conference’s chief elected officials. Nominations are due back to Mark Fowler, mfowler@nwmc-cog.org by Wednesday, March 20. The NWMC Nomination Committee will present a recommended slate of candidates at the April 10 NWMC Board meeting at which time nominations from the floor may also be accepted. The Board will formally vote on the slate of officers at the May 8 meeting.
Action Requested: Please return nomination forms
 - C. April 23 NWMC Live Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction**
The live spring NWMC Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction will be held on Tuesday, April 23. Live auctions will also be held on July 23 and October 22. In addition, America’s Auto Auction hosts online sales on par with other government surplus Internet auctions.
Action Requested: Informational
- VI. Priority Issues**
 - A. Legislative Committee – Dan Shapiro, Mayor, Village of Deerfield, Co-Chair and Eric Smith, President, Village of Buffalo Grove, Co-Chair**
 - 1. Legislative Update (Attachment D)**
Governor Pritzker delivered his State of the State and Budget Address on February 21. Staff will report on the Governor’s proposed budget and the impacts

to local governments. Staff will also discuss legislative activity in Springfield and key legislation under consideration.

Action Requested: Discussion

2. Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities (PFIC) Coalition Update

The PFIC Coalition has been meeting weekly to determine the work plan to respond to legislative efforts to roll back Tier 2 pension benefits for public safety employees. On February 22, the House Personnel & Pensions Committee held a subject matter hearing on House Bill 1185 (public safety pension reamortization), local pensions and Tier 2's effect on recruitment and retention. Staff will provide a report on the Coalition activities.

Action Requested: Discussion

3. NWMC Legislative Positions (Attachments E & F)

The Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommend approval of the positions on the attached list of bills and the attached letter of support for S. 1430 - Water Systems Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Liability Protection Act.

Action Requested: Approve recommendations

4. Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (MMC) Legislative Priorities (Attachment G)

The Executive Board and Legislative Committee recommend approval of the MMC 2024 Legislative Priorities.

Action Requested: Approve recommendation

B. Finance Committee – John Lockerby, Manager, Village of Skokie, Chair

NWMC Employee Assistance Program Contract Extension (Attachment H)

The Executive Board and Finance Committee recommend approval of the second of four possible, one year contract extensions for the NWMC Employee Assistance Program (EAP). The contract extension would run from May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025. Program vendor TELUS Health has requested a 4% rate increase as part of the contract extension. The Executive Board and Finance Committee further recommend a corresponding 4% increase in the charge to participants to cover the increase. Currently, twelve entities participate in the NWMC EAP Program.

Action Requested: Approve recommendations

VII. Consent Agenda (Attachment I)

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted in one motion. There is no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests, in which event the item(s) will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered during the Other Business portion of the agenda.

Action Requested: Approve Consent Agenda

VIII. Other Business

IX. For the Good of the Order

X. Next Meeting

The next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC Offices and via videoconference.

XI. Adjournment