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Agenda

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

6:00 p.m.

NWMC Offices, 1600 East Golf Road, Suite 0700, Des Plaines
or

Via Videoconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83682442011>

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Meeting ID: 836 8244 2011

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- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call**
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 14, 2025 (Attachment A)**
- V. **President's Report – Donna Johnson, NWMC President and Mayor, Village of Libertyville**
 - A. **Strategic Plan Recommendation (Attachment B)**

In response to the RFP for strategic planning services issued earlier this summer, the Executive Board recommends approval of CP2 Consulting to conduct the NWMC Strategic Plan update.
Action Requested: Approve recommendation
 - B. **FY 2024-2025 NWMC Annual Report (Attachment C)**

Attached is the FY 2024-2025 NWMC Annual Report, which highlights the past year's accomplishments as well as organizational information including the NWMC leadership, committees, membership and staff.
Action Requested: Informational
 - C. **FY 2025-2026 NWMC Work Plan – Q1 Update (Attachment D)**

Staff will present the first quarter update to the FY 2025-2026 NWMC Work Plan.
Action Requested: Informational
 - D. **Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Committee Appointments**

The Executive Board recommends that the membership appoint the NWMC representatives to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus (MMC) for FY 2025-2026. Traditionally, the Conference has appointed the organization's Past President to serve as the delegate with the current President serving as the alternate delegate. However, former NWMC President Nancy Rotering is currently serving as Chair of the Caucus. Therefore, the Executive Board recommends the appointment of Mayor Rotering as the NWMC delegate and Hanover Park Mayor Rod Craig as the alternate delegate to the MMC.
Action Requested: Approve recommendation

E. FY 2025-2026 NWMC Committee Assignments (Attachment E)

The Executive Board recommends approval of the attached FY 2025-2026 NWMC Committee Assignment list.

Action Requested: Approve recommendation

F. FY 2025-2026 NWMC Board Meeting Dates (Attachment F)

Attached is the NWMC membership meeting schedule for FY 2025-2026.

Action Requested: Informational

G. NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction

The final live NWMC Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction of the year is scheduled for October 21 at America's Auto Auction in Crestwood. Vehicles and equipment can be listed for disposal at the NWMC auction right up to the morning of the auction day. Please remember that a portion of the proceeds helps support the organization's operations.

Action Requested: Informational

VI. Priority Issues

A. Legislative Committee – Eric Smith, President, Village of Buffalo Grove, Co-Chair and Paul Hoefert, Mayor, Village of Mount Prospect, Co-Chair

1. Fall Veto Session Preview

The General Assembly will convene for the fall veto session from Tuesday, October 14 to Thursday, October 16 and Tuesday, October 28 to Thursday, October 30. Staff will review potential issues under consideration.

Action Requested: Discussion

2. Pension Strategy and Legislator Outreach Plan (Attachment G)

Legislation to roll back Tier 2 pension reforms for all pension systems, including police, fire and IMRF, was introduced during the closing days of the spring session as amendments to [Senate Bill 1937](#). There is a push by the unions and the bill sponsors to advance the bill during the fall veto session. Staff will discuss the attached strategy and legislator outreach plan.

Action Requested: Discussion

B. Transportation Committee – Rodney Craig, President, Village of Hanover Park, Co-Chair and Lara Sanoica, Mayor, City of Rolling Meadows, Co-Chair

Transit Legislation Update (Attachments H & I)

Staff will provide an update on efforts through the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and other subregional groups to pursue a consensus regional/subregional position on transit legislation. The Executive Board recommends approval of the attached position statement as drafted by the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference and as amended by the Executive Board. Also attached is a staff analysis of the Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA) legislation and its alignment with the previously approved NWMC transit principles and positions.

Action Requested: Approve recommendation

VII. Other Business

VIII. For the Good of the Order

IX. Next Meeting

The next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC Offices and via videoconference.

X. Adjournment