



**City of Blaine**  
**Anoka County, Minnesota**  
**Minutes**  
**City Council**

Blaine City Hall  
10801 Town Sq Dr NE  
Blaine MN 55449

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Monday, January 9, 2023

Clover Leaf Farms Room

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**Immediately Following Workshop**

**1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE MAYOR**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00PM by Mayor Sanders followed by Roll Call.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Tim Sanders, Councilmembers Terra Fleming, Chris Massoglia, Tom Newland, Jess Robertson, and Lori Saroya.

**ABSENT:** None.

Quorum Present.

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager Michelle Wolfe; Community Development Director Eric Thorvig; City Planner Sheila Sellman; Safety Services Director/Police Chief Brian Podany; Finance Director Joe Huss; Deputy Finance Director Ali Bong; Communications Manager Ben Hayle; Director of Administration Cassandra Tabor; Project Engineer Brent Larson; and City Clerk Catherine Sorensen.

**Present:** 3 - Councilmember Robertson, Councilmember Massoglia and Mayor Sanders

**Excused:** 2 - Councilmember Jeppson and Councilmember Paul

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**4. ADMINISTRATION**

**4.-1 A Resolution Declaring a Vacancy for Ward 2 and Calling for a Special Election**

City Clerk Sorensen stated Council is asked to declare a Ward 2 vacancy and call for a special election for former Councilmember Jeppson's seat. The timeline for the special election was reviewed with the Council and staff recommended approval of a resolution declaring

the vacancy and calling for a special election.

Mayor Sanders discussed how city charter requires a special election given the fact the open seat was for more than 12 months. He reported the special election would be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023.

Councilmember Newland asked if the special election would have a primary. Ms. Sorensen explained a primary was not required by Charter and reported the top vote getter would be the successful candidate.

Councilmember Newland supported the City Charter being reviewed and updated.

**Moved by Mayor Sanders, seconded by Councilmember Newland, that Resolution No. 23-10, "A Resolution Declaring a Vacancy for Ward 2 and Calling for a Special Election on April 11, 2023," be approved.**

**Motion adopted unanimously.**

**Aye:** 3 - Councilmember Robertson, Councilmember Massoglia and Mayor Sanders

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved by Councilmember Newland, seconded by Councilmember Robertson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:09PM.**

**Motion adopted unanimously.**

**Aye:** 3 - Councilmember Robertson, Councilmember Massoglia and Mayor Sanders