Due to the Governor’s Emergency Declaration, the Mayor has determined that in-person meetings during this pandemic are not practical or safe. All meetings of the City Council and other City-governed boards and commissions will be held by telephone or other electronic means until further notice. (Minn. Stat. 13D.021)

Our upcoming special council meeting on May 26th will be held via Zoom. Zoom is an online platform that allows attendees to ‘join’ the meeting via video or telephone. The May 26th meeting can be accessed at: Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join. https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__wsbeng.zoom.us_j_99206519334-3Fpwd-3DUTlrWkliZ2VCdGV1QUUN0cUhIQnp3Zz09&d=DwIF-g&c=wZIz6BR1yds6ABxMNYcTPKRj39yq004hegHRzkEljMM&r=ZNmnPwnVgoVDodp5XKOxMSjekjU7bWG4ByEmfoscSpfIoEHrwi6ojoOL5AhKF8SMv&m=V99PT2gPvsgF8GjTVnisFc3yT8eC16PHMCUSHtxAQsM&e=vROs59tv_cxyv5AGvO-z5hynZZOsHunBFzr1UqLJMQ&c=
Password: 648191

Or join by phone:
Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):
US: +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833
Webinar ID: 992 0651 9334

The City Council meeting will be ‘open to the public’ to listen in, but will be muted from contributing at all times with the exception of a Public Hearing and open to the public forum.

Please join the meeting early to test your audio and video settings. If you join via a device and your audio is not working, you may need to use the dial-in phone number option in order to be heard. If you have technical difficulties during the meeting please call or text (612) 352-8452.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL
Council Member Thorsen
Council Member Petersen
Council Member Walczak
Council Member Sonnek
Mayor Furlong

IV. ADOPT AGENDA

V. CITY BUSINESS ACTION ITEMS & RECOMMENDATIONS
A. Discussion regarding resolution to Governor in support of local businesses
B. Allow bars and restaurants to use public right-of-way for outdoor seating
C. Food truck discussion
VI. ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.
North St. Paul, Minnesota
Policy for Temporary Outdoor Customer Service Areas

Pursuant to Mayoral Proclamation and Council Resolution, the City of North St. Paul has declared a Peace Time Emergency due to the COVID-19 Health Pandemic.

In furtherance of the federal, state, and local government response, there is a need to provide multiple additional and alternative customer service areas on commercial sites in order to limit forward facing exchanges between customers and employees, and to promote physical and social distancing between persons engaged in business activities within the City.

Effective immediately, and notwithstanding any city code provision to the contrary, any business located in a commercial or industrial zone may establish drive-up or drive-thru areas, customer ordering, waiting or pick-up areas, or customer seating or service areas on its property to facilitate safe commercial activity conducted consistent with federal and state orders or guidelines. The temporary outdoor use may occur in sidewalks, some parking spaces, or undeveloped outdoor areas adjacent to their buildings without need for a variance. However, if the business is not the fee owner of the property used by the business for the temporary outdoor use, any temporary outdoor use must have written approval from the fee owner of the premises.

No city permits are required; however, operators must prepare a plan to be approved by the City prior to establishing a temporary customer service area. The plan shall illustrate on-site traffic, a map of the expansion, and operational management. Additionally, the plan must show that customer service areas do not impede sidewalk usage, block disabled person parking spaces or routes, and that all activities do not create nuisance conditions for abutting properties or the general public.

If alcohol is to be dispensed or consumed in the proposed temporary customer areas, the licensee must obtain a modification to their defined premises areas in the liquor license through the City.

On-site signage is authorized. Temporary tables, tents, and sun shelters may be erected, but any structure requiring state building and fire code permits must submit plans and permit applications for accelerated review by city staff.

The terms and conditions of this order may be modified or clarified by subsequent order and those changes may have retroactive effect.

This policy will continue until December 31, 2020 unless repealed by subsequent City Council action. Effective this ____ day of May 2020.

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Terry Furlong, Mayor                  Scott Duddeck, City Manager