

Monday, December 16, 2024
6:00 p.m., prior to the EDA Meeting

Brooklyn Park Council Chambers
5200 85th Avenue North

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING – AGENDA #48

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Our Vision: Brooklyn Park, a thriving community inspiring pride where opportunities exist for all.

I. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. STATUTORY BUSINESS AND/OR POLICY IMPLEMENTATION

2. CONSENT

2.1 Outgoing Councilmember Proclamations

A. RESOLUTION – COUNCIL MEMBER XP LEE (Resolution will be provided at Monday night's Council meeting)

B. RESOLUTION – COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MORSON (Resolution will be provided at Monday night's Council meeting)

III. ADJOURNMENT

Since we do not have time to discuss every point presented, it may seem that decisions are preconceived. However, background information is provided for the City Council on each agenda item in advance from city staff and appointed commissions, and decisions are based on this information and past experiences. If you are aware of information that has not been discussed, please raise your hand to be recognized. Please speak from the podium. Comments that are pertinent are appreciated. Items requiring excessive time may be continued to another meeting.

City of Brooklyn Park

Request for Council Action

Agenda Item:	2.1	Meeting Date:	December 1, 2024
Agenda Section:	Public Presentations/ Proclamations/Receipt of General Communications	Originating Department:	Administration
Resolution:	XX	Prepared By:	Devin Montero City Clerk
Ordinance:	N/A		
Attachments:	2	Presented By:	Mayor Hollies Winston
Item:	Resolution and Presentation of Plaques to Council Members Xp Lee and Boyd Morson in Recognition of their Service to the City of Brooklyn Park		

City Manager's Proposed Action:

MOTION _____, SECOND _____, TO READ AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2024-_____ IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK BY EAST DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER XP LEE.

MOTION _____, SECOND _____, TO READ AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2024-_____ IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK BY CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MORSON.

Overview:

The purpose of this agenda item is to recognize and thank Council Members Xp Lee and Boyd Morson for their commitment toward the betterment of the City of Brooklyn Park and to acknowledge with appreciation their tenure on the City Council, as noted in the resolutions.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider: N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues: N/A

Attachments:

- 2.1A RESOLUTION – COUNCIL MEMBER XP LEE (Resolution will be provided at Monday night's Council meeting)
- 2.1B RESOLUTION – COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MORSON (Resolution will be provided at Monday night's Council meeting)

RESOLUTION #2024-

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE BY
EAST DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER XP LEE
TO THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK

WHEREAS, Xp Lee was elected as East District Council Member in a special election on February 8, 2022 to fill a vacant seat for an unexpired term and sworn in on February 22, 2022 for a term through January 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee was appointed as Mayor Pro Tem on January 9, 2023 and January 8, 2024 and also served the dual role as a commissioner on the city's Economic Development Authority and served as Council Liaison to the Community Long Range Improvement Commission; Recreation Human Rights Commission and Parks Advisory Commission; Budget Advisory Commission, Brooklyns Youth Council and Brooklyn Park Development Corporation, and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Highway 252 Task Force Council Member Lee was a strong advocate for improvements to Highway 252; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee championed global partnerships, such as Sister City relationships with Banjul, The Gambia; Udu, Nigeria and Kakata, Liberia; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee was a strong supporter of the City of Brooklyn Park's youth programs and supported the design and development of the Zanewood Teen Center expansion; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee supported workforce development investments to promote financial stability of all community members, including the BrookLynk youth workforce development program; and

WHEREAS, with Council Member Lee's support, the city opened a small business center in August 2023, an incubator for small business owners and entrepreneurs in the region; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee supported the BioTech Innovation District Planning, a Plan for the development of a bio-tech mixed use innovation district at Hwy 169/610; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee supported the Metro Blue Line; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee strongly supported the transition of the Fire Department to a full-time staffing model and the planning for a new central fire station; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Lee embraced the vision of Brooklyn Park, "A Thriving Community Inspiring Pride Where Opportunities Exist for All," and promoted the qualities of Brooklyn Park being a unique, united, and undiscovered community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on behalf of the City Council, city staff, residents, hereby recognize and extend sincere appreciation to Xp Lee for his commitment and contributions toward the betterment of our community and extend to him our best wishes in all future endeavors.

RESOLUTION #2024-

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICE BY
CENTRAL DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER BOYD MORSON
TO THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK

WHEREAS, Boyd Morson was elected as Central District Council Member on November 3, 2020 and sworn in on January 4, 2021 for a term through January 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson's, first initiative was to amend the city charter related to the elected official's oath of office as he felt the residents should be included in the oath; and

WHEREAS, through Council Member Morson's efforts, the Charter Commission supported the amendment to the city charter and forwarded the amendment to the city council and passed the amendment to the oath on February 14, 2022, that included the residents of Brooklyn Park; and

WHEREAS, he also served the dual role as a commissioner on the city's Economic Development Authority and served as Council Liaison to the Human Rights Commission and Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson championed global partnerships, such as Sister City relationships with Banjul, The Gambia; and Udu, Nigeria; and Kakata, Liberia; and

WHEREAS, with Council Member Morson support, the city opened a small business center in August 2023, an incubator for small business owners and entrepreneurs in the region; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson was a strong supporter of the City of Brooklyn Park's youth programs and supported the design and development of the Zanewood Teen Center expansion; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Moron supported the BioTech Innovation District Planning, a Plan for the development of a bio-tech mixed use innovation district at Hwy 169/610; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson supported the Metro Blue Line and strongly advocated for the east/west bus routes; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson was a strong advocate for resolving constituent concerns; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson played a crucial part in bringing the Gus Macker Basketball Tournament to Brooklyn Park; and

WHEREAS, Council Member Morson embraced the vision of Brooklyn Park, "A Thriving Community Inspiring Pride Where Opportunities Exist for All," and promoted the qualities of Brooklyn Park being a unique, united, and undiscovered community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on behalf of the City Council, city staff, residents, hereby recognize and extend sincere appreciation to Boyd Morson for his commitment and contributions toward the betterment of our community and extend to him our best wishes in all future endeavors.