

Thursday, March 13, 2025  
7:00 P.M.

Brooklyn Park City Hall – Meeting Room A206  
5200 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue North

## COMMUNITY LONG-RANGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION (CLIC)

CLIC Officers: Tekoa Cochran (Chair), John Schaefer (Vice Chair), Brenda Reeves (Secretary)  
CLIC Members: Nicholas Campbell, Patrick Chittester, Ashyante Gill, Theo Harris, Nailah Hendrickson, Mary Hoogheem, Patrick Hoth, Cindy Johnson, Shelley Marbut, Jorge Martinez, Edna McKenzie, Umebe Onyejekwe

City: CLIC Council Liaison Christian Eriksen and City Engineer Marc Culver (fill in for Mitch Robinson)

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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
  2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  
- II. CLIC STATUTORY BUSINESS
  3. CONSENT
    - 3.1** Consider Approving CLIC Draft Minutes
      - 3.1A** CLIC February 13, 2025 Draft Minutes
  
  4. GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS
    - 4.1** Community Intervention Manager
    - 4.2** 2025 Draft Work Plan
  
  5. STANDING ITEMS
    - 5.1 Sub-Committee Discussion
  
  6. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
    - 6.1 City Council Report: Council Member Christian Eriksen
    - 6.2 Staff Liaison Update: Marc Culver
    - 6.3 Open Discussion
  
  7. ADJOURNMENT
    - 7.1 Adjournment

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**MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY LONG-RANGE IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION (CLIC)**  
**City of Brooklyn Park**  
**February 13, 2025, CLIC Meeting Minutes**

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I. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Tekoa Cochran called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m.

**ROLE CALL PRESENT:** Patrick Chittester, Tekoa Cochran, Mary Hoogheem, Patrick Hoth, Shelley Marbut, Jorge Martinez, Edna McKenzie, Brenda Reeves, John Schaefer

**City Staff and Council Present:** Staff Liaison Mitch Robinson, Council Liaison Christian Eriksen

**EXCUSED:** Ashyante Gill, Theo Harris, Nailah Hendrickson, Cindy Johnson, Umebe Onyejekwe

**ABSENT:** Nicholas Campbell

Roll Call established a quorum did exist.

2. **APPROVAL AGENDA**

Staff Liaison Mitch Robinson added item 4.3 Election of Officers

2.1 MOTION SCHAEFER, SECOND HOTH TO APPROVE FEBRUARY 13, 2025, AGENDA AS AMENDED, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

II. CLIC STATUTORY BUSINESS

3. **CONSENT**

3.1A MOTION MARBUT, SECOND SCHAEFER TO APPROVE DECEMBER 12, 2024, MINUTES. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS**

4.1 Organics Recycling

- Tim Pratt gave an overview of the upcoming City curbside organic recycling collection program
- Commissioners discussed how apartment complexes could get involved
- Green To Go ordinance for local restaurants could be a future item for the Commission

4.2 2025 Draft Work Plan

- Commissioners finalized ideas for 2025 work
- Plan will be presented at a March council meeting

4.3 Election of Officers

MOTION SCHAEFER, SECOND HOOGHEEM TO ELECT TEKOA COCHRAN AS CHAIR, JORGE MARTINEZ AS VICE CHAIR, AND BRENDA REEVES AS SECRETARY, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

## 5. STANDING ITEMS

### 5.1 Sub Committee Discussion

Mobility – Nicholas, Shelley, Edna

- Updated 2025 work plan to reflect goals

Housing – Brenda, Cindy, Tekoa

- Updated 2025 work plan to reflect goals

Friendly and Safe City for All Ages – Mary, Umebe, Theo, Patrick C, Patrick H

- Interested in the security/safety aspect for the City
  - Police to attend March meeting

## 6. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 6.1 City Council Report: Council Member Christian Eriksen

- Discussions around immigration status/policy
  - Upcoming public meetings in February

### 6.2 Staff Liaison Update by Mitch Robinson

- Police Community Intervention Manager to come to March meeting
- Northwest Area Plan survey currently out
  - Staff Liaison to send out to the Commissioners

### 6.3 Open Discussion

MOTION REEVES, SECOND MARTINEZ TO MOVE MARCH 13, 2025 START TIME TO 6 PM. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

### 7.1 Adjournment

MOTION MARTINEZ, SECOND MCKENZIE. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting ended at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mitch Robinson

# City of Brooklyn Park Community Long-Range Improvement Commission

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	4.1	<b>Meeting Date:</b>	March 13, 2025
<b>Agenda Section:</b>	GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS	<b>Originating Department:</b>	Staff Liaison
<b>Resolution:</b>	N/A	<b>Prepared By:</b>	Mitch Robinson, Staff Liason
<b>Ordinance:</b>	N/A		
<b>Attachments:</b>	None	<b>Presented By:</b>	LaTreasure Dickson, Community Intervention Manager
<b>Item:</b>	Community Intervention Manager		

**Proposed Action:**

**Overview:**

LaTreasure Dickson joined the City of Brooklyn Park as our new Community Intervention Manager in July of 2024. She manages 11 employees in the Community Intervention Unit including 1 data analyst, 2 youth and family intervention specialists, and 8 incident intervention specialists also known as BP Voices.

LaTreasure will give a presentation about the Community Intervention Unit within the Police Department and their goals.

Attachments:

None

# City of Brooklyn Park Community Long-Range Improvement Commission

<b>Agenda Item:</b>	4.2	<b>Meeting Date:</b>	March 13, 2025
<b>Agenda Section:</b>	GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS	<b>Originating Department:</b>	Staff Liaison
<b>Resolution:</b>	N/A	<b>Prepared By:</b>	Mitch Robinson, Staff Liaison
<b>Ordinance:</b>	N/A		
<b>Attachments:</b>	1	<b>Presented By:</b>	Marc Culver, City Engineer
<b>Item:</b>	2025 Work Plan		

**Proposed Action:**

Discuss and fill out 2025 CLIC Work Plan.

**Overview:**

The items proposed to be worked on by CLIC is reviewed and approved by City Council on a yearly basis. This work plan will be presented to the City Council at their March 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

# Workplan | Community Long-Range Improvement Commission

Mar. 2024 - Feb. 2025

Time frame	Project or Task(s)	BP2025	Purpose (see next page for info)	Outcome (fill in after completed)
Ongoing	<b>Friendly and Safe City For all Ages</b>  <u>Purpose Statement</u> People of all ages have the resources they need to feel healthy and safe.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report/Comment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Act Initiated by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commission <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> City Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research projects and programs safety and security for all ages</li> <li>• Educational programs in conjunction with cannabis legalization</li> <li>• Intergenerational and intercultural programming to bring different groups together</li> <li>• Senior wellbeing and education around existing programs/mobility (Adopt A Senior)</li> </ul>
Ongoing	<b>Strategic Planning</b>  <u>Purpose Statement</u> Support City Council in development of future long term plan/community goals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report/Comment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommend <input type="checkbox"/> Act Initiated by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commission <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide input on the upcoming future planning for the City</li> <li>• Work with community engagement for outreach to residents/contractors to ensure equitable access in decision making process</li> </ul>
Ongoing	<b>Housing</b>  <u>Purpose Statement</u> Advocating for creating and maintaining habitable and affordable housing for all residents.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report/Comment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Act Initiated by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> City Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and define HOA issues</li> <li>• Research the establishment of a Housing Commission</li> <li>• Improvement on reporting tenant rights violations</li> <li>• Accessible and affordable housing for seniors</li> </ul>
Ongoing	<b>Mobility</b>  <u>Purpose Statement</u> To improve the ped environment and infrastructure to encourage walking, biking, and transit as a safe and accessible mode of transportation in BP.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report/Comment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Act Initiated by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> City Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make recommendations for improved East-West Mobility (Transit, trails, &amp; sidewalks).</li> <li>• Engage Development / transportation improvement (BLE and 252 projects) impacts on gentrification, rent levels, property taxes, &amp; housing policy.</li> <li>• Identify best practices for bike and ped safety including PlacesForBikes City Ratings program, Walk Friendly Communities, etc.</li> </ul>
2024	<b>Future Planning</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Report/Comment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommend <input type="checkbox"/> Act Initiated by: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> City Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote progress for increasing steps in the GreenStep program</li> <li>• Review, comment, and question how the CIP / CEP supports CLIC's work plan.</li> <li>• 2026 CLIC work plan.</li> <li>• Environmental justice outreach for planning projects</li> </ul>

# Workplan | Community Long-Range Improvement Commission

Mar. 2024 - Feb. 2025

- Provide input on organics recycling program
- Provide input on the Northwest Area Growth Plan

1: *United Community*    2: *Beautiful Places*    3: *Thriving Economy*    4: *Healthy & Safe People*    5: *Increased Equity*    6: *Effective & Engaging Gov't*

## Notes:

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Main topics of concern. Sub-committees on the following projects:

1. Housing
  - a. Tekoa, Brenda, Cindy, Jorge, Nailah
2. Friendly and Safe City for All Ages
  - a. Mary, Umebe, Patrick C, Patrick H, Theo
3. Mobility
  - a. Shelley, Edna, Nicholas

## Workplan Projects: What's the purpose?

# Workplan | Community Long-Range Improvement Commission

Mar. 2024 - Feb. 2025

Commissions can either initiate a project themselves OR be asked by the Council or City Manager to do one of the following:

## Report/Comment

- Commission studies a specific issue or topic and **reports its findings or comments to the Council**, either in writing or in a Council meeting.
- Commission does not vote.
- No direct action is taken.

*Example: Charter Commissioner provided a memo on the topic of Council Members being employed by the City part-time, at the Council's request.*

## Recommend

- Commission reviews a specific policy issue and **makes a formal recommendation** to City Council on what action to take.
- A recommendation requires a majority of the Commissioners' support.
- Individual member comments are not included.

*Examples: Planning Commission recommends approval on land use actions; RPAC made a recommendation on amplified sound policy.*

## Act

- Commission **initiates or takes on a project**, approved by Council through their workplan.

*Example: HRC partnered with a community organization on an event; City Manager requests that HRC coordinate the "All Are Welcome" sign contest.*

# Brooklyn Park 2025 Community Goals

**Working together to make Brooklyn Park a thriving community  
inspiring pride where opportunities exist for all.**

We asked and you answered! Our community wants to accomplish these goals by the year 2025:

### **Unified Community**

**A united and welcoming community, strengthened by our diversity.**

- We have connected neighbors who understand and celebrate our unique cultures.
- Brooklyn Park is unified with a strong positive identity and image.
- Our community's activities, events and services are inclusive, multi-cultural, and accessible.
- We have places and spaces for diverse communities to gather.
- Residents of every age contribute to our community.

### **Healthy and Safe People**

**People of all ages have what they need to feel healthy and safe.**

- Neighborhoods are empowered and supported by strengthened positive relationships with police.
- Youth are engaged in positive and quality experiences.
- Aging adults have services and amenities to thrive and age in place.
- Everyone has access to quality healthy food options.
- People have access to quality medical and emergency care.

### **Beautiful Places**

**Beautiful spaces and quality infrastructure make Brooklyn Park a unique destination.**

- Modern transportation options (drive, ride, walk, bike) connect people to education, jobs, and recreation.
- Quality recreation and park amenities inspire activity for all ages and interests.
- Our rich diversity is showcased through our vibrant music, art, food, entertainment, and cultural scene.
- Attractive key corridors, corners, and city centers create destinations that meet community needs.
- Neighborhoods are well-maintained with quality housing for all ages and incomes integrated throughout the community.

### **Increased Equity**

**Partnerships that increase racial and economic equity empower residents and neighborhoods to prosper.**

- Each resident has access to the training and support needed to get and keep a living wage job.
- Each student graduates high school with a pathway to college or career.
- Aging neighborhoods and commercial centers are revitalized through continuous investment.
- The community provides necessary supports and services for community members to overcome life challenges such as hunger, mental illness, and homelessness.

### **Thriving Economy**

**A balanced economic environment that empowers businesses and people to thrive.**

- People of all ages and backgrounds enjoy financial stability.
- Residents and visitors support an abundance of retail stores, restaurants, and entertainment venues.
- Our business environment inspires private investment and job growth.
- Business and organizations of all types, sizes and specialties start, stay and grow here.
- We are a leader in environmental sustainability, benefiting our economy and community.

### **Effective, Engaging Government**

**Effective and engaging government recognized as a leader.**

- The City provides quality services at a reasonable cost.
- Elected officials, commissions, and City staff reflect the diversity of the community and are culturally competent.
- City information is clear, accessible, and delivered in ways that meet the community's needs.
- City laws are understandable, equitably enforced, and relevant to the community.
- The City is well-managed and recognized as a great place to work.