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Agenda

Wednesday, September 9, 2026

6:00 p.m.

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

Via Videoconference: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88661008238>

Dial: (312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 886 6100 8238

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- I. **Call to Order**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Roll Call**
- IV. **Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2026 (Attachment A)**
- V. **President's Report – Eric Smith, NWMC President and President, Village of Buffalo Grove**
 - A. **FY 2025-2026 NWMC Annual Report**

The FY 2025-2026 NWMC Annual Report, which highlights the past year's accomplishments as well as organizational information including the NWMC leadership, committees, membership and staff, was released earlier this summer. To view the Annual Report, please visit [FY 2025-2026 NWMC Annual Report](#).
Action Requested: Informational
 - B. **FY 2026-2027 NWMC Work Plan – Q1 Update (Attachment B)**

Staff will present the first quarter update to the FY 2026-2027 NWMC Work Plan.
Action Requested: Informational
 - C. **FY 2026-2027 NWMC Committee Assignments (Attachment C)**

The Executive Board recommends approval of the attached FY 2026-2027 NWMC Committee Assignment list.
Action Requested: Approve recommendation
 - D. **FY 2026-2027 NWMC Board Meeting Dates (Attachment D)**

Attached is the NWMC membership meeting schedule for FY 2026-2027.
Action Requested: Informational
 - E. **NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle & Equipment Auction**

The live NWMC Fall Surplus Vehicle and Equipment Auction is scheduled for October 13 at America's Auto Auction in Crestwood. Vehicles and equipment can be listed for sale right up to the morning of the auction day. The final live auction of the year will be held on Tuesday, December 15.
Action Requested: Informational

F. 2026 NWMC Membership Satisfaction Survey (Attachment E)

Staff will discuss the results from the 2026 NWMC Membership Satisfaction Survey.

Action Requested: Informational

G. NWMC Appointments to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Board (Attachment F)

The Executive Board requests that the membership discuss the appointment process to determine the NWMC delegates to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Executive Board and appoint the delegates for 2026-2027.

Action Requested: Discussion and appointment of delegates

VI. Priority Issues

A. Legislative Committee – Donna Johnson, Mayor, Village of Libertyville, Co-Chair and Ann Tennes, Mayor, Village of Skokie, Co-Chair

NWMC Housing Legislative Strategy (Attachments G, H, I, J and K)

Despite efforts at the end of spring session, neither Governor Pritzker's Building Up Illinois Developments (BUILD) agenda nor any similar housing proposals advanced in the General Assembly. Staff will provide an update on current housing legislation, efforts to craft a regional response and NWMC data. The Legislative Committee will discuss the Conference's housing legislative engagement strategy at their September 16 meeting.

The following documents are attached to provide background for discussion:

- Memo outlining political landscape and housing legislative strategy (Attachment G)
- NWMC response to BUILD – merged document (Attachment H)
- Examples of how NWMC members are addressing housing (Attachment I)
- Governor Pritzker response to municipal feedback on BUILD (Attachment J)
- "Lots of Housing Motion" 8-17-26 Capitol Fax article (Attachment K)

Action Requested: Discussion

B. Transportation Committee – Paul Hoefert, Mayor, Village of Mount Prospect, Co-Chair and Lara Sanoica, Mayor, City of Rolling Meadows, Co-Chair

Northern Illinois Transit Authority Update (Attachment L)

The Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA) officially replaced the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) on September 1. The attached implementation status provides background, notes key deadlines and highlights recent NWMC activity regarding NITA. Staff will provide additional information.

Action Requested: Informational

VII. Other Business

VIII. For the Good of the Order

IX. Next Meeting

The next NWMC Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 6:00 p.m. at the NWMC Offices and via videoconference.

X. Adjournment