



CORCORAN COMPASS

Commissions and Council Meetings Recap for the
Month of April 2026



Planning Commission Update

At the April 2, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting:

New Business included:

Site Plan Amendment and Variances for Landscaping at Red Barn Pet Retreat (City File 24- 007): The applicant, Daniel Benjamin, submitted a request for a Site Plan amendment and two Variances related to landscaping standards for rock mulch and the use of non-native species in the Northeast District for his business, Red Barn Pet Retreat. The Commission recommended denial of both variances 4-0 and was referred to the City Council.

Ulfers Garage CUP (City File No. 26-003): John Ulfers, the applicant, requested approval of a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow an accessory structure with sidewalls that would exceed the limit of 10 feet in the side yard on the applicant's property. The Commission recommended approval 4-0 with additional coniferous landscaping to the south and east of the garage and was referred to the City Council.

Wiseman Garage CUP (City File No. 26-004): Allan Dorney Construction MN Inc, on behalf of the applicant, requested approval of a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow an accessory structure with sidewalls that that would exceed the limit of 10 feet in the front yard on the applicant's property. The Commission recommended approval 4-0 and was referred to the City Council.

Lindberg ADU CUP (City File No. 26-002): Heidi Lindberg, the applicant, requested approval of a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) on her property that would exceed 960 square feet. The Commission recommended approval 4-0 and was referred to the City Council.

Kariniemi Orchards Preliminary Plat (City File No. 25-044): The applicant, Olipa, LLC, requested approval of the "Kariniemi Orchards" development, which would allow the creation of seven single-family lots on the farmland surrounding 20400 County Road 30. The Commission recommended approval 4-0 and was referred to the City Council.

Parks and Trails Commission Update

At the April 16, 2026, Parks and Trails Commission Meeting:

The Parks and Trails Commission had Commissioner Training. Once per year, staff provide training for the Parks and Trails Commission. Commissioners reviewed the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of the Parks and Trails Commission, as well as the policies and planning documents that guide park and trail development within the City.

New Business included that the Public Works team had identified two project components on the eastern parcel of Heritage Park that are eligible for grant funding through the Hennepin County Youth Activity Grant in the Fall of 2026. The Commission recommended approval 5-0 to apply for the grant and was referred to the City Council.



City Council Update

At the April 9, 2026, City Council Meeting:

The City Council approved the following consent items: adopted Resolution 2026-29, recognizing and accepting 2026 Quarter One Heritage Park donations by way of the See My Legacy initiative, in the amount of \$2,506, authorized staff to conduct Police Officer hiring processes and extend up to two full-time traditional or ICPOET Police Officer job offers with lateral entry considerations as appropriate, approved the plans and specifications and authorized bids for the Old Settlers Road and Horseshoe Trail improvements project, and adopted Resolution 2026-28 establishing Municipal State Aid designations for the following streets, adding them to the City's Municipal State Aid system under the provisions of Minnesota Law: Bechtold Road from CSAH 30 to Oakdale Drive (MSA Street) - 0.83 miles, Oakdale Drive from Trail Haven Road (MSA Street) to CSAH 30 - 0.97 miles, and Cain Road from CSAH 30 to County Road 117 (109th Avenue North) - 1.51 miles.

In Unfinished Business: Council adopted Resolution 2026-31 authorizing engagement of professional services contract for completion of work through the schematic design phase of the civic campus project.

At the April 23, 2026, City Council Meeting:

The City Council approved the following consent items: authorized a waiver for amplified sound for The Stanchion Bar for July 9-11, 2026, for post-Hamel Rodeo events and adopted Resolution 2026-37 approving the sponsoring of the Northwest Trails Development Association to acquire DNR funding for the 2026-2027 season and approving the Grant Administration Agreement.

CIVIC CAMPUS OPEN HOUSE



2026 SCHEDULE



June 2

Hope Community Church
6-7:30 p.m.

August 4

**Corcoran Public Works Facility
at Corcoran Night to Unite 2026**
6-7:30 p.m.



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Corcoran Civic Campus Project

The remaining schedule for the Civic Campus Open House events can be found above. Join us in the coming months for one or both of these public engagement opportunities.

OPEN HOUSE GOALS

Promote Awareness, Constructive Dialogue, Shared Understanding, Collaborative Problem Solving

PROJECT GOALS

- Provide a cost-effective and responsible facility solution that addresses long-term operational needs for City Hall and the Police Department.
- Support efficient workflows, modern operations, and flexibility to adapt to future staffing, service, and technology changes.
- Enhance staff health, wellness, safety, and security while maintaining appropriate public access.
- Improve the public experience through clear access, wayfinding, and welcoming civic spaces that reflect community values, providing public gathering areas, and site amenities.
- Align facility planning with projected community growth and long-term service demands.

For more information on the ongoing Civic Campus project, scan the QR code above or visit www.corcoranmn.gov – Our Community > Civic Campus Public Engagement.

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Events Calendar

May 7:

Planning Commission Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

May 14:

City Council Work Session Meeting
5:30 P.M. (City Hall)

May 14:

City Council Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

May 21:

Parks and Trails Commission Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

May 25:

Offices Closed – Memorial Day

May 28:

City Council Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

June 2:

Corcoran Civic Campus Open House
6 - 7:30 P.M. at Hope Community Church
(19951 Oswald Farm Road)

