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# October MGCC Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 8th, 2025 – 6:30-8:30 pm

*This is a remote and in-person meeting hosted remotely via Zoom.*

Community members can sign-up to receive meeting agendas and attendance options at [macgrove.org/participate](macgrove.org/participate).

## AGENDA

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| **6:30** | **I.** | **Call to Order, Cameron Cole*: MGCC President*** |
| **6:31** | **II.** | **Roll Call*: Chris Leifeld: Secretary*** |
| **6:34** | **III.** | **Approval of the November 2025 Minutes** |
| **6:38** | **IV.** | **Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:** |
| **6:40** | **V.** | **Welcome:** Cameron Cole*: MGCC President* |
| **6:43** | **VI.** | **Board Member Reminders:** Cameron Cole*: MGCC President* |
| **6:48** | **VII.** | **Open Board Seats:** Cameron Cole*: MGCC President* |
| **6:53** | **VIII.** | **City of St. Paul Audit Committee Presentation:** Noah McVay*: Audit Committee,* CM Molly Coleman: *Audit Committee* The Audit Committee is soliciting performance audit topics for 2026 to evaluate the efficiency, equity, and compliance of city programs and spending. |
| **7:13** | **IX.** | **Budget Review and Approval:** Meghan Paul: *Treasurer & Laura Wallace: ED* |
| **7:32** | **X.** | **Upcoming Speaker Series:** Andy Rodriguez – Director of Parks and Recreation: Chris Leifeld: Secretary |
| **7:42** | **XI.** | **Commercial Corridors Update:** Tori Miller: *PCC* |
| **7:47** | **XII.** | **Committee Updates:** Laura Wallace: *ED* & Tori Miller: *PCC* |
| **7:52** | **XIII.** | **Staff Update:** Laura Wallace: *ED* & Tori Miller: *PCC* |
| **8:00** | **XIV.** | **Thank you & Adjourn** Cameron Cole: *MGCC President* |

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## UPCOMMING WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:

- **MGCC Board of Directors Meeting** — **Thursday, January 8th** 6:30-8:00
- **MGCC Community Building Team** — **Tuesday, January 13th** 6:30-8:00

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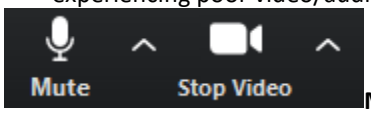
- **MGCC FROST FEST @ Groveland Rec. Center** — **Saturday, January 24th** 6:30-8:00
- **MGCC Transportation Committee** — **Monday, January 26th** 6:30-8:00
- **MGCC Housing & Land Use Committee** — **Wednesday, January 28th** 6:30-8:00

## MGCC Zoom Meeting Practices and Protocol

- **Log in Early** – Please log into *Zoom* at least 5 minutes early so the meeting can start in time. Click "Join with Computer Audio." Use this time to test your speaker and microphone.
- **Security Precautions**: A Zoom link will be sent out to community members who signed up via www.macgrove.org/participate. Please do not share this link with others. In the unlikely event of an external disruption during the meeting, the Zoom meeting may be terminated, and a new Zoom link will promptly be emailed to all participants.
- **Internet Quality** – When possible, physically connect your computer directly to your internet source. If using WIFI, position yourself in an area with the best signal. Remember to disconnect from VPN and turn off unnecessary apps to optimize internet bandwidth.
- **Video** – All Board and Committee members are encouraged to participate using video. However, if you are experiencing poor video/audio quality, click "Stop Video". As a last resort, you can join by phone.
- 

**Mute Your Microphone** – To minimize background noise, remember to mute your microphone at the beginning of the meeting. (Mute button is on the lower left corner of the Zoom screen). To speak, press and hold the spacebar on your keyboard to temporarily unmute yourself. Or, unclick the Mute button for an extended conversation.
- **View Settings** – Customize how you view meeting participants on your screen using the settings on the upper right corner of your Zoom screen. Gallery View statically arranges all participants in a grid pattern. Speaker View dynamically brings the current speaker to the forefront.
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**Raising your Hand** – If you would like to provide feedback or ask a question, please click the "raise your hand" icon. If for some reason you do not see an icon labeled "raise hand", you can also send a message in the chat. You can take yourself off mute to speak, once you have been recognized by the Chair. (See *Committee Meeting Protocol* below)
- **Questions or Day-of-Meeting Troubleshooting –** Contact MGCC Staff at mgcc@macgrove.org and we will do our best to assist you.
  - **Phone –** The local phone number for joining Zoom is +1 651 372 8299. It will ask you to enter the Meeting ID and the passcode for that meeting (you do **not** need to enter a Participant ID). Phone users can unmute/mute by pressing *6. To raise/lower hand, press *9.

### MGCC Meeting Protocol

- MGCC meetings are **recorded** and made available at www.macgrove.org for one month. Please reach out to staff if you have concerns about being recorded.
- **If you would like to comment**, please raise your hand and wait to be recognized. (See *Raising your Hand* above) When recognized, please first state your name and address.
- **This is a place for civil and respectful dialogue**. It does not mean everyone has to agree, but it means we have to treat one another well. Please keep your comments brief and to the point. At about the two-minute mark, the Chair will let you know that your time is almost up.

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## Mac-Grove Resources:

Mac-Grove 10-Year Community Plan: In July of 2016, the Community Council's latest Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan was approved by the City of Saint Paul City Council. This document serves as a blueprint for future development and community improvements in Macalester-Groveland over the next 10 years.

City of Saint Paul 2040 Comprehensive Plan: The 2040 Comprehensive Plan is Saint Paul's "blueprint" for guiding development in the city over the next 20 years. On November 18, 2020, after Metropolitan Council review and approval, the City Council adopted the 2040 Comprehensive Plan. Its Transportation Chapter was amended (Policy T-31 only) in 2022.

Thrive MSP 2040 (Long-range plan): Under state law, the Met Council prepares a long-range plan for the Twin Cities region every 10 years. Thrive MSP 2040 was adopted by the Met Council on May 28, 2014.

Meeting Resources:
Macalester-Groveland Community Council Bylaws

Macalester-Groveland Public Meeting E-mail Sign-ups

Democratic Rules of Order: Summary of the Rules

*A physical copy of the full Democratic Rules of Order can be checked out by any community member from the MGCC Office.*

## Mac-Grove Guide to Inclusive Decision Making: