

Neighborhood Council #6 Minutes
Of Wednesday, November 5, 2025

Sunnyside School Faculty Room

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Michelle Cornellier, Rick Cornellier, Carl Donovan, James Rickley

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Vacant Seat

CITY LIASON: Robert Moccasin

ATTENDEES: Judi Austin, Carol Berg, Megan Darrah, Anita Hepper, Harmony Houtz, Mike Junes, Jason Olthoff

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A quorum was established.

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes of October 1, 2025, were read. Adjustments were made, clarifying addresses. The minutes were accepted with these changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion was made by Carl Donovan, 2nd by Michelle Cornellier, to put forward Megan Darrah to fill a council vacancy. Passed 4-0.

Motion made by James Rickley, 2nd by Carl Conovan, to put forward Carl Donovan to fill a council vacancy. Passed 4-0.

Report presented by Rick Cornellier regarding the meeting of the Council of Councils. The focus of the report was from Chief Newton that 1) there is a marked increase in firearm thefts from unlocked vehicles and 2) an increase in hit and run accidents. There was also a presentation from the Gazette; and, establishing a quiet zone in Neighborhood Council 2.

The police activity report for October was presented. By consensus, it was decided to have the police department respond after two full years of data collection. This would take place with the department no earlier than our February meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS AND NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS

Robert Moccasin reminded council members that the "swearing in" ceremony will be on December 16, 2025.

Michelle Cornellier requested that the council be presented with more information regarding the situation and status of the proposed Data Center for Great Falls, with particular concerns about future power expenditures and rates.

Jayson Olthoff suggested that the meeting attendees introduce themselves and share what they felt their role was in the neighborhood. Each member attending thought this was a great idea, and so did so around the room. He also expressed a need for publicity regarding meetings and agendas. Robert Moccasin responded, directing him to the web resources that were readily and freely available to all the citizens of Great Falls.

A concern was brought to the council's attention regarding procedures to pursue for neighborhood properties that had been abandoned or neglected. In particular, the property of the Ivy Nursing Facility since its closure. Robert Moccasin responded by directing citizens to the online complaint sequence from the city's website.

A concern was raised about parking on 13th Ave South and 4th Street. It appears to create a dangerous traffic flow situation.

In addition to this, there was raised concerns regarding speeding in neighborhoods where children were playing.

The next meeting will be held on December 3, 2025, at 6:30 at the Sunnyside Elementary School.

ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM with a motion from James Rickley and a second from Carl Donovan. Motion carried 4/0.