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CORCORAN COMPASS

Commissions and Council Meetings Recap for the Month of October 2026

Planning Commission Update

At the October 1, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting:

Unfinished Business Included:

Springs at Corcoran Preliminary Plat, Rezoning & Preliminary PUD: The Planning Commission was originally scheduled to hold a public hearing and review this item at the June 4, 2026, meeting. However, additional information was needed from the applicant to conduct a thorough analysis of the request. Discussions with the applicant are ongoing, and the applicant intends to have all necessary information as soon as possible. Motion to table to November 5, 2026 (5-0).

New Business Included:

Weinand Woods 2nd Addition Preliminary Plat: Kevin & Mary Weinand, the applicants, request approval of the preliminary plat for "Weinand Woods 2nd Addition", which would result in a 5.86-acre single-family lot and a 38.55-acre outlot at 22939 County Road 30. Motion to recommend approval to the City Council (5-0).

Maxfield Research & Consulting presented a draft of their Economic Development Strategic Plan for the City of Corcoran.

Parks and Trails Commission Update

The Parks and Trails Commission meeting originally scheduled for October 15, 2026, was canceled.

City Council Update

At the October 8, 2026, City Council Work Session Meeting:

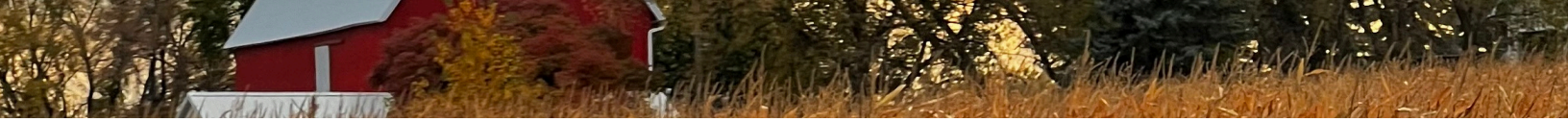
City Council and staff reviewed findings from Local Government Reenvisioned regarding the organizational structure of the Corcoran Public Works Department and how to develop a high-level structural blueprint to address and improve current service delivery with recommendations for future expansion to position the City for future growth.

City Council and staff reviewed the preliminary budget details for the Public Works Department.

Council and staff reviewed the preliminary budget details for the Community Development Department as well as a draft of the City of Corcoran 2050 Comprehensive Plan Update Proposed Work Plan.

At the October 8, 2026, City Council Meeting:

City Council and staff honored outgoing Parks and Trails Commissioner, Tom Anderson. Anderson has dedicated more than 25 years of service to the City of Corcoran, serving on the Parks and Trails Commission, the City of Corcoran Natural Resources Commission, the Elm Creek Watershed Management Commission, and Corcoran City Council. Additionally, Anderson helped to establish the Corcoran Garden Club and remained an active member through 2026. The City of Corcoran recognizes ***(continued on next page)***



City Council Update Continued

and appreciates the significant contributions, time, energy, and dedication provided by Tom Anderson throughout his many years of service to the City and its residents.

City Council adopted Resolution 2026-77 appointing Logan Klinzman as Public Works Operations Maintenance Worker effective October 12, 2026.

In Planning Business: Maxfield Research presented a draft version of the Economic Development Strategic Plan for City Council consideration. The final draft is expected to be presented to Council at the November 12, 2026, City Council meeting. Craig Scherber & Associates Inc. requested approval of a preliminary plat, a comprehensive plan amendment, and a rezoning to allow the development of the "3019 Addition", which would consist of 7 rural commercial lots at PID 07-119-23-14-0003. City Council denied the Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Rezoning, and Preliminary Plat. Twin Cities Land Development received informal Council feedback on a conceptual, multi-phased residential development that proposed 608 single-family homes on a gross land area of 505.2 acres. This item is not currently scheduled for any additional meetings.

At the October 22, 2026, City Council Meeting:

In Presentations: Officers Jack Peluf, Darren Bohlsen, and Jordan Myhre were sworn in.

City Council approved the following consent items: approved the 2026 Quarter 3 Financial Report. Adopted Resolution 2026-83 appointing Planner, Dwight Klingbeil, as Acting Community Development Director effective October 23, 2026, until the Community Development Director returns to full-time active duty from an extended leave of absence. Accepted the resignation of Community Development Administrative Assistant, Seth Gellman, and authorized staff to immediately begin the hiring process to fill the position.

In Unfinished Business: City Council and staff reviewed the preliminary budget details for the Utilities Department.

In New Business: City Council adopted Ordinance 2026-566 amending the text of Chapter 70 of the Corcoran City Code. Corcoran City Council had previously directed staff to explore implementing an engine braking ordinance. Staff worked with the City Attorney to develop language to prohibit excessive noise from engine braking, except in emergency circumstances. This draft language as well as updated corresponding language for penalties was proposed as an amendment to Chapter 70 Traffic Rules of the Corcoran City Code. Additionally, one additional line under 70.05 regulating motorized bicycles and foot scooters was removed, as their regulation occurs under the recreational vehicles ordinance. Minor clerical updates were also made. These amendments and updates were adopted as part of Ordinance 2026-566. City Council adopted Ordinance 2026-568 amending the text of Chapter 72 of the Corcoran City Code. Corcoran City Council had previously directed staff to draft an ordinance regulating e-bikes, e-motos, and e-scooters. Staff worked with the City Attorney to create a draft of an amended Corcoran City Code Chapter 72 Recreational Vehicles Ordinance to include the regulation of those vehicles. After review of the amended Ordinance, City Council elected to adopt the Ordinance as drafted as part of Chapter 72 of the Corcoran City Code.

Holiday Toy and Food Drive – December 8, 2026

Help make the holiday season brighter for local families by participating in the Holiday Toy and Food Drive on Tuesday, December 8, 2026. Donations of new, unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items will help support those in need within our community.

Neighborhoods that would like to be included on the collection route are encouraged to register by Sunday, November 29, 2026. Registration is available online through the City's Holiday Toy and Food Drive registration page using the link below:
https://app.seemylegacy.com/community/1278/campaign/9958/overview

Every contribution, big or small, helps make a difference this holiday season. Thank you for helping spread holiday cheer throughout the Corcoran community!



Events Calendar

November 5
Planning Commission Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

November 11
Offices Closed - Veterans Day

November 12
City Council Work Session
5:30 P.M. (City Hall)

November 12
City Council Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

November 19
Parks and Trails Commission Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

November 23
City Council Work Session
Heritage Park Building Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony
5:30 P.M. (Heritage Park, 20200 County Road 50, Corcoran, MN 55340)

November 23
City Council Meeting
7 P.M. (City Hall)

November 26-27
Offices Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday