



City Council Memorandum

To: Mayor Fasbender & City Councilmembers
From: City Administrator Dan Wietecha
Date: March 20, 2023
Item: City Council Meeting on June 19, 2023

Council Action Requested:

Do not reschedule June 19, 2023 City Council Meeting.

Background Information:

Earlier this year, the State designated Juneteenth (June 19) as a legal holiday commemorating emancipation, effective August 1, 2023, meaning the first required observance is next year 2024, and public business cannot be conducted on the holiday.

Last meeting, the City Council approved recognizing Juneteenth this year 2023, and this can certainly be done by closing City offices during the day. However, it does cause some difficulties with previously planned and scheduled meetings. This year, June 19 happens to be a City Council meeting date. Additionally, the League of Minnesota Cities Annual Conference is that week, so travel and attendance would be tight if we were to simply bump the Council meeting to Tuesday that week. Similarly, the regularly scheduled Planning Commission meeting the following week, would make it difficult to delay the City Council meeting by a week.

I recommend maintaining the existing schedule for a City Council meeting on June 19, 2023. Beginning next year, City meetings can be scheduled around Juneteenth as we've done with other holidays.

Financial Impact:

Not applicable

Committee Discussion:

Not applicable

Attachments:

No Applicable