

## SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING RICHFIELD MUNICIPAL CENTER, BARTHOLOMEW ROOM AUGUST 27, 2019 5:00 PM

## Call to order

- 1. Special Meeting Items
  - Proclamation declaring September 2019 as Roundabout Education, Awareness and Safety Month in the City of Richfield.
  - Summary of City Manager's 6-month evaluation that was held on August 21, 2019.
- 2. Adjournment

Auxiliary aids for individuals with disabilities are available upon request. Requests must be made at least 96 hours in advance to the City Clerk at 612-861-9738.



## **Proclamation of the City of Richfield**

**WHEREAS**, the city has strived to create safer, more convenient and enjoyable places to drive, walk and bicycle in the City of Richfield; and

**WHEREAS**, research has demonstrated that roundabouts are a more effective tool in helping to minimize injuries and fatalities resulting from crashes compared to traffic signal and stop sign-regulated intersections; and

**WHEREAS**, roundabouts slow driving speeds, reduce traffic conflict points and allow for easier decision making by pedestrians, drivers and bicyclists; and

**WHEREAS**, roundabouts have become an integral part of the City of Richfield's transportation infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Richfield built its first roundabout in 2007 at Richfield Parkway and 66<sup>th</sup> Street as part of the Cedar Point Commons redevelopment; and

**WHEREAS**, the city's second roundabout transformed the Portland Avenue and 66<sup>th</sup> Street intersection from one of the county's most dangerous intersections into one of the county's safest intersections; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2018, Richfield saw two new roundabouts added along 66<sup>th</sup> Street at its intersection with Lyndale and Nicollet Avenues, which will lead to increased pedestrian safety and allow vehicular and bicycle traffic to flow more freely; and

**WHEREAS**, with the completion of the Lyndale Avenue Reconstruction project in late 2019, three more roundabouts will be added to the city's transportation network; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of September 2019, the City of Richfield's Administrative Services, Public Safety and Public Works Departments will be partnering to offer a wide variety of educational opportunities to raise awareness and promote user safety at the city's roundabouts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARIA REGAN GONZALEZ, Mayor of the City of Richfield, on behalf of the Richfield City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2019, as:

## ROUNDABOUT EDUCATION, AWARENESS AND SAFETY MONTH IN THE CITY OF RICHFIELD

And call on the people of Richfield to observe this month by working with staff, neighbors, friends and family to promote the proper use and proclaim the many benefits of the city's roundabouts.

Maria Regan Gonzalez, Mayor

**PROCLAIMED** this 27th day of August, 2019.