



## **COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

**Tuesday, November 26, 2013**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Coon Rapids City Center**

**Council Chambers**

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### **Call to Order**

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.04, subd. 2, the City Council will meet in work session to discuss the following:

1. Council Retreat Planning

### **Other Business**

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**City Council Work Session**

**Meeting Date:** 11/26/2013

**Subject:** Council Retreat Planning

**From:** Matt Stemwedel, Assistant City  
Manager

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**INTRODUCTION**

The City Council has scheduled a retreat for the afternoon of Friday, January 24, and the morning of Saturday, January 25, 2014. During this retreat, the City Council and staff will be discussing and planning for key long-range goals and initiatives. This work session will focus on identifying the structure and discussion topics for the January retreat.

**DISCUSSION**

The purpose of this work session is to answer the question: "What are the most important elements for a successful 2014 retreat?" In other words, staff will be asking the Council to identify the structure, discussion topics, and other requirements that will create a successful retreat. Based upon Council's direction, staff will be able to plan and prepare for the January retreat.

Staff will be using an innovative facilitated workshop approach to get everyone's ideas captured and presented in an organized way. This process will also help the group reach consensus on the most important goals and activities for the upcoming retreat. Council will be asked, among other things, to reflect on the history of our City, our successes, our opportunities, and what the City's priorities should be going forward.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff requests that Council reflect upon the City's challenges and opportunities and how the City can continue to develop a successful legacy.

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