



**MINUTES
TECHNOLOGY COMMISSION - REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025, 4:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

The meeting convened in regular session in the Government Center Chambers at 4:13 p.m., Tuesday, April 22, 2025. Chairman Neumayer called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Gary Neumayer	Chairman	Present
Ravi Duvvuri	Vice Chairman	Present
Robert Davis	Commissioner	Present
Arron Pirtle	Commissioner	Not Present
Brandon Wheeler	Commissioner	Not Present

Public Comment

Individuals wishing to provide emailed public comment must email comments to publiccomment@cityblm.org at least 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. Individuals wishing to speak in-person may register at cityblm.org/register at least 5 minutes before the start of the meeting.

No public comments were submitted nor were any to present in person.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled by Council from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Item 4.A. March 25, 2025 Minutes, as requested by the Information Technology Department, N/A. (Recommended Motion: Review and Approve the minutes of the March 25, 2025 meeting of the Bloomington Technology Commission.)

The minutes from the Marh 25th meeting were reviewed. Chairman Neumayer made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, which was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion passed.

Regular Session

The following item was presented:

Discussion on the subcommittees on Smart City technology

Discussion on restructuring subcommittees and summarizing findings and use cases for each commission.

Due to low attendance, limited updates were provided.

Commissioner Duvvuri reported on municipal public Wi-Fi initiatives in various cities, including Denver, New York, Boston, Council Bluffs (IA), San Jose, and East Moline, with a focus on public-private partnerships and subsidized lower-tier offerings.

Discussion included the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of public Wi-Fi, digital signage, and the use of apps/QR codes versus kiosks.

Chairman Neumayer shared observations from other cities, noting that apps and Google Maps were commonly used and effective for visitors.

The commission discussed the importance of ensuring any digital signage investment is practical and beneficial.

Digital Signage

No new updates from Aaron or Brandon, who are responsible for this area.

The commission will follow up with them for further information.

Subcommittee Assignments and Deliverables

The following subcommittee assignments were confirmed:

- Digital Signage: Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Pirtle, with cooperation from Chairman Neumayer.
- Public Wi-Fi: Commissioner Duvvuri, Commissioner Davis.

A deliverable for the next month's meeting was set as a draft report from each subcommittee, including a potential case study of at least one example community worth replicating. It was emphasized that this is for information gathering and not final recommendations. Commissioners were encouraged to contact other government entities for information, highlighting the cooperative nature of the public sector. However, they were advised to refrain from directly contacting companies at this stage due to procurement guidelines.

Old Business

New Business

Gary Neumayer and Aaron Pirtle's terms expire after this meeting. Gary confirmed he will not renew his term. Awaiting feedback from Commissioner Pirtle of his intent.

The commission will need to vote on a new chair and vice chair at the next meeting.

Brief discussion on the long-term viability of the commission, especially with upcoming vacancies.

Reminder for all board and commission members to complete required annual training (FOIA, OMA, sexual harassment).

Executive Session

Adjournment

Chairman Neumayer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Duvvuri,

Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

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