



Delano

MINNESOTA

City Council Agenda
1/6/2026

Title: Approve Event Permit, Public Facilities Lease, and Temporary Liquor License for Puck in the Park

Report From: Cassie Johnson, Deputy Clerk

Action Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Informational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
Form of Action:	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Contract/Agreement
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> NA	

Summary Statement

The City of Delano has received applications from the Delano Area Youth Hockey Association to host the annual Puck in the Park Hockey Tournament in Central Park from January 15–18, 2026. The request includes approval of an event permit, a public facilities lease for use of the Central Park concessions building, and a temporary liquor license for alcohol service during the event.

Recommended Action

1. Approve the Event Permit for the Puck in the Park Hockey Tournament to be held in Central Park from January 15–18, 2026.
2. Approve the Public Facilities Lease Agreement for use of the Central Park concessions building from January 14–18, 2026.
3. Approve the Temporary Liquor License for the Delano Area Youth Hockey Association for January 15–18, 2026.

Core Strategies

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Services to meet needs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engage and Informed Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain financial sustainability | <input type="checkbox"/> High-Performing team of public servants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conscientious asset/infrastructure mgmt. | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe and healthy community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable and planned growth | <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain and protect community strengths |

Background

The Delano Area Youth Hockey Association is requesting approval to host the annual Puck in the Park Pond Hockey Tournament and Youth Jamboree in Central Park. The event is scheduled to take place January 15–18, 2026, with event setup beginning January 14, 2026, and cleanup concluding January 19, 2026. The event is expected to draw approximately 200 participants and 500 people attending over the course of 4 days.

Activities associated with the event include outdoor hockey games on the City-maintained ice rinks, amplified music within a heated tent, food service, and alcohol service. Open-flame fire pits are also proposed as part of the event amenities. No road closures are requested. Existing electrical infrastructure will be utilized, consistent with prior years.

The applicant has submitted a completed Public Facilities Lease Agreement requesting exclusive use of the Central Park concessions building during the event period. A Temporary Liquor License application has also been submitted, indicating alcohol will be served by bartenders in conjunction with the event. Liquor liability and general liability insurance coverage has been identified.

The Delano Fire Department and Wright County Sheriff's Office have been notified of the event. Staff has reviewed the submitted applications and materials and recommends approval of the event permit, facilities lease, and temporary liquor license.

Financial Consideration

Is there a financial consideration? No Yes

Financing Source: Budgeted Budget Modification
 New revenue source Use of revenues
 Other

Attachments:

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