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David Miller, Council
Deeanna Mudge, Council
Tim Nelson, Council
Joel Visser, Council
Shelley Kaster, City Clerk

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