



City of Lincoln
CITY COUNCIL

Directors' Meeting Agenda

2 p.m. Monday, September 14, 2026

555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, NE

Bill Luxford Studio

- I. Open Meetings Law Announcement**
- II. Approval of Directors' Meeting Minutes from August 24**
- III. City Clerk Advisories**
- IV. City Council Advisories**
- V. Director Advisories**
- VI. Councilmember Commission, Committee, and Event Updates**
- VII. Public Comment**
- VIII. Post-Meeting Council Members' Calls to City Directors**
- IX. Adjournment**

Next Directors' Meeting – 2 p.m. Monday, September 21

City Correspondence

Planning & Development	BP260904-1 Historic Preservation Commission
"	BP260909-1 MPO Technical Committee
"	Administrative Approvals
LONM	Annual Conference - Early registration ends Friday, Sept. 11
Property Management	South lot closure

Constituent Correspondence

Maxine Moul	Hungarian Delegation on 9/21
Dina Ostasuc	Noise Complaint
"	Air Traffic

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#)
Subject: BP260904-1 Historic Preservation Commission
Date: Friday, September 4, 2026 2:29:38 PM
Attachments: [BP260904 -1-Historic Preservation Commission.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

Please see attached.

Thanks,



Laura Tinnerstet

Administrative Aide II

Lincoln-Lancaster County

Planning and Development

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Lincoln, NE 68508

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

The City of Lincoln Historic Preservation Commission will hold a public meeting on Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 2:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, County City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska, to consider the following agenda. For more information contact the Planning Department at 402-441-7491.

AGENDA

1. Approval of HPC meeting record of July 9, 2026.

HEARING AND ACTION

2. Urban Design Record 26088 for the reconstruction of a historic garage and fence at 1933 B Street. *This item was legally advertised as a public hearing but was later determined to be of no material effect.*
3. Change of Zone with Historic Preservation Overlay 26018 to locally landmark 1116 Goodhue Boulevard.

DISCUSS AND ADVICE

STAFF UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The Historic Preservation Commission's agenda may be accessed on the Internet at

[https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/City/Departments/Planning Department/Boards and Commissions/Historic Preservation Commission](https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/City/Departments/Planning%20Department/Boards%20and%20Commissions/Historic%20Preservation%20Commission)

From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [David R. Cary](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#)
Subject: BP260909-1 MPO Technical Committee
Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026 8:18:08 AM
Attachments: [BP260909-1-MPO Technical Committee.pdf](#)

Good morning,

Please see attached.

Thanks,



Laura Tinnerstet

Administrative Aide II

Lincoln-Lancaster County

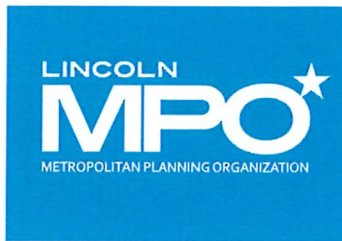
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Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization

County-City Building
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Lincoln, Nebraska 68508
(402) 441-7491

To: Officials Committee Members
From: David Cary, Technical Committee Chair
Subject: Technical Committee Meeting

Date: September 15, 2026
Time: 12:00 p.m.
Place: Council Chambers, County-City Building

Meeting Agenda:

Roll call and acknowledge the "Nebraska Open Meeting Act"

1. [Election](#) of committee officers. According to the Bylaws, committee officers consist of a Chair and Vice-Chair that are elected annually from the members of the committee. Election of a new Chair is needed.
2. Review and action on the draft minutes of the [May 19, 2026](#) Officials Committee meeting
3. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the Bylaws for the MPO Officials Committee to clarify the intent of and expand allowances for appointment of representatives temporarily serving in place of a Committee member
4. Consent Agenda (Public Hearing and Action)
 - a. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the [FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#)
 - i. State of Nebraska Department of Transportation program:
 1. District 1 Dynamic Message Sign (DMS) Replacement – reprogram funds from Historical years to FY 2027
 2. District 1 Dynamic Message Signs (DMS) Retrofit – reprogram funds from FY 2027 to Historical years
 - ii. Lincoln Transportation and Utilities-Transportation program:
 1. Randolph Street, Capital Parkway to 40th Street – program HUD Economic Development Initiative Community Project

Funding in the Construction/Construction Engineering phase
in FY 2027

5. Items removed from Consent Agenda
6. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the [2050 Long Range Transportation Plan](#)
 - a. Create a new project group for On-Street Bike Projects in Chapter 7, Fiscally Constrained Plan
7. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the [FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#)
 - a. Pedestrian, Bike and Trails program:
 - i. Downtown Lincoln Bike Network – add project and program federal funds within a new group listing for On-Street Bike Projects
8. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the [FY 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#)
 - a. State of Nebraska Department of Transportation program:
 - i. Agnew North Bridges – remove project
 - b. Pedestrian, Bike and Trails program:
 - i. Downtown Lincoln Bike Network – add project and program federal funds within a new group listing for On-Street Bike Projects
9. [Review and action](#) on revisions to the [Group Project Listing Administrative Modification Process](#)
10. Other topics for discussion
 - a. Update on the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Update and Lincoln Mobility Plan
11. Public Comment

Anyone wishing to address the committee on a matter not on this agenda, and not planned to appear on a future agenda, may do so.

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Si necesita información en otro idioma, envíe un correo electrónico a mpo@lincoln.ne.gov

如果您需要其他语言的信息，请发送电子邮件至 mpo@lincoln.ne.gov

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إذا كنت بحاجة إلى معلومات بلغة أخرى، يرجى إرسال بريد إلكتروني mpo@lincoln.ne.gov

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From: [Laura A. Tinnerstet](#)
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Cc: [Steve S. Henrichsen](#); [David R. Cary](#)
Subject: Administrative Approvals
Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026 11:57:12 AM
Attachments: [BP260909-1 Administrative Approvals.pdf](#)

Good afternoon,

I've attached the Administrative Approvals for this week.

Thank you,



Laura Tinnerstet

Administrative Aide II

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Memo

DATE: September 9, 2026
TO: City Clerk
FROM: Laura Tinnerstet
SUBJECT: Administrative Approvals

This is a list of City administrative approvals by the Planning Director from September 2, 2026, to September 9, 2026:

ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT 26046, to Use Permit 17007A, Sandhills Global, was approved by the Planning and Development Services Director on September 9, 2026, to show W Grand Drive and W Harvest Drive to be vacated and converted to private roadways, along with vacating Chadderton Circle right of way, generally located at NW 1st Street and W Harvest Drive.

From: noreply@lonm.org on behalf of info@lonm.org
To: [Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: Annual Conference - Early registration ends Friday, Sept. 11
Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026 9:01:31 AM

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For those who have not registered for the 2026 Annual Conference, the early registration deadline is **Friday, Sept. 11**. Register now to receive the lower price!

[Click here](#) for the 2026 League Annual Conference information.

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To: [Amy L. Jones](#); [Amy Schweitzer](#); [Angela C. Zocholl](#); [Angela M. Franssen](#); [Angela Y. Lemke](#); [Anita K. Leonard](#); [Austin C. Rhodes](#); [Beau A. Wolfe](#); [Benjamin A. Sobel](#); [Brandi R. Lehl](#); [Brenda K. Bourelle](#); [Building & Grounds Maint](#); [Cara J. Jondle](#); [Carmen J. Flynn](#); [Cheri L. Howard](#); [Chris S. Jones](#); [Connie J. Ahlschwede](#); [County Clerk](#); [Courtney J. Lyons](#); [Dean A. Daniel](#); [Debra Haeffner](#); [Denise K. Pearce](#); [Francisca L. Beltran](#); [Jenni R. Ryan](#); [Jessica M. Yesilcimen](#); [Jill Cook](#); [Justin J. Meyer](#); [Kathleen M. Chadwick](#); [Kirsten C. McMann](#); [Kristi K. Nydahl](#); [Kristi L. Merfeld](#); [Kristy R. Bauer](#); [Mailroom](#); [Malerie McCullough](#); [Mary Anne Prinkkila-Rogers](#); [Matt V. Hansen](#); [Melissa M. Fuller](#); [Mental Health Psychologist](#); [Michele M. Abendroth](#); [Michelle M. Leaver](#); [Mirna Mendez](#); [Pam J. Hoffman](#); [Pat Posey Ribeiro](#); [Rachel M. Garver](#); [Raven L. Collier](#); [Rhonda M. Haas](#); [Roberto O. Robles](#); [Roni R. Olander](#); [Saige Rasmussen](#); [Sanat K. Roy](#); [Sara J. Hoyle](#); [Sarah A. Price](#); [Scott E. Etherton](#); [Shelli K. Reid](#); [Shelly R. Madison](#); [Soulinnee Phan](#); [Sydnee L. Scheinost](#); [Tina M. Schilz](#); [Vicki M. Hansen](#); [Victoria L. Keating](#); [Amy L. Shandera](#); [Angela M. Pofahl](#); [Angela R. Neuberger](#); [Brian L. Jackson](#); [Cheryl K. Waples](#); [Chris L. Rhynalds](#); [Courtroom 36](#); [Dedra L. Little](#); [Dianne E. Paul](#); [Duty Command](#); [Elizabeth D. Hussey](#); [Heather Denney](#); [James Davidsaver](#); [Jason C. Mayo](#); [Jennifer C. Kulwicki](#); [Jessica Loos](#); [John A. Vik](#); [Julia J. Mayer-Adams](#); [Juvenile Court](#); [Kristin D. Ceballos](#); [Kristin L. Draper](#); [Kurt R. Cherovsky](#); [Lisa M. Cook](#); [LPD 911SUPER](#); [Lpd_prop](#); [Michele Selvage](#); [Lynne Albin](#); [Melissa Ireland](#); [Michele Selvage](#); [Nicole M. Miller](#); [Roy Rivera Barcenaz](#); [Sarah E. Wiebold](#); [Sheri A. Lampe](#); [Timothy J. Shrader](#); [Simon G. Rezac](#); [Theresa L. Emmert](#); [Cassandra Macke](#); [Curry, Jeff](#); [Glenn R. Troutdt](#); [Jeffrey H. Kilpatrick](#); [Becky Kicak](#); [Mandy E. Colfack](#); [Nicole Ringler](#); [Wohlers-Green, Cindy](#)
Subject: South lot closure **please forward to all staff in your departments**
Date: Thursday, September 10, 2026 12:02:12 PM
Importance: High

Good morning. We have received notice that the last day for parking in the South lot will be Wednesday, September 23. On Thursday, September 24, those who have designated South lot parking will be parking in Center Park garage. I will be handing out parking cards to the departments for disbursement to everyone next week.

There will be an enterprise email coming soon with trolley information and FAQ's for this transition so please wait patiently for that email to answer many of your questions.

Thank you for your patience and kindness during this transition. The North lot is on schedule to be completed January 2027.

Margaret Bohy
County City Property Management
Public Building Commission
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mbohy@lancaster.ne.gov

Subject: South lot closure **please forward to all staff in your departments**

Good morning. There is a delay in the closure of South lot. This closure is being pushed out and we will give everyone two weeks' notice of when the new closure date will be and parking cards will be disbursed at that time. In the meantime, you can continue parking in the South lot if that is your designated space to park. Thank you.

Margaret Bohy
County City Property Management
Public Building Commission
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Mayor; Benjamin A. Sobel](#)
Subject: FW: FW: Hungarian Delegation on 9/21
Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026 3:53:46 PM
Attachments: [September 16 Hungary Profiles \(1\).docx](#)

Some people who received this message don't often get email from [REDACTED] [Learn why this is important](#)

Here are the profiles of our Hungarian visitors. Ben, would 1:30 or 1:45 work for the meeting with the City Council, since we will not be meeting with the Mayor? Thank you.

Maxine Moul

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Lincoln, NE 68512

[REDACTED]

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PPlacement **Lincoln, NE**
City:
US Arrival: **Sep-16-2026**

Nomination ID: **20159937**

Citizen of: **Hungary**

Open World Program 2026

Delegate Profile

Istvan Adam Bognar

Current Position: Elected Member of the Municipal Council, City
of Debrecen

Personal Information

Full Name:	Bognar, Istvan Adam		
Date of Birth:	Apr 11, 1987	Religious Affiliation:	Other
Age:	39	Willing to attend host's religious services:	Yes
Gender:	Male	Is Smoker:	Yes
Level of English:	Basic Conversation	Marital Status:	Married
Other Languages:	German (Not Specified), Hungarian (Not Specified)	Spouse's Name:	Dr. Bognar-Fodor Regina Kitty
First Trip to USA:	Yes	Children:	Sons (ages):3; Daughters (ages): 4, 7

Hobbies:

I spend my free time primarily with my family. We like to go on trips, travel, and hike together. My love for nature, agriculture, and the land is important to me. I have been hunting since I was young.

Health Restrictions:

None.

Dietary Restrictions:

None.

Pet Allergies:

No, but I would avoid keeping pets in the apartment if possible.

Current Professional Information

Dates:	10/2024 -
Position:	Elected Member of the Municipal Council
Organization:	City of Debrecen
Website:	www.debrecen.hu/en

Job Description

I currently serve as the Elected Representative for District 17 on the Municipal Council of the City of Debrecen, Hungary. In this role, I am committed to representing the interests of the residents of Debrecen and ensuring that their voices are reflected in local decision-making. As part of my responsibilities, I participate in the work of the Municipal Council, the Committee on Culture and Education, and the Committee on Property and Economic

Development. Throughout my work, I strive to maintain open, accessible, and meaningful dialogue with the people of Debrecen and the surrounding communities, believing that effective public service begins with listening to and engaging with the citizens we represent.

Current Workplace Information

Is this an elected position?	Yes
Duration of employ with this organization	1-5 Years
Total number of employees in this organization	More than 100
People directly supervised by the individual	Less than 10
People supervised by the individual's manager	21-50
Management levels above individual's supervisor	0
Supervisor's job title	Mayor
Type of Work	Government (non-legislative) > Local

Essay

As a young Elected Member of the Municipal Council of Debrecen, I strongly believe that thriving communities are built on open dialogue, cooperation, and responsible decision-making. I chose to serve in public office because I want to play an active role in making my city a more livable, competitive, and connected place for future generations. I believe that today's local leaders must not only address the challenges facing their own communities but also remain open to learning from successful practices worldwide.

As a member of both the Committee on Culture and Education and the Economic Development Committee, I participate in shaping decisions that will influence Debrecen's future for years to come. I am particularly passionate about education, talent development, sports, and agriculture because I believe these areas form the foundation of a strong and resilient community. I also consider it essential to strengthen cooperation among local government, educational institutions, businesses, and civil society organizations to create sustainable and inclusive solutions. The Open World Program would provide a unique opportunity to gain first-hand experience with the way local governments operate in the United States, particularly in the fields of civic engagement, community-based decision-making, and local representation. I am especially interested in understanding how American communities involve residents in public decision-making, how civil society organizations contribute to public policy, and how trust is built between elected officials and the people they serve.

I have great respect for the United States' democratic traditions, the strong role of local government, and the culture of civic participation that encourages citizens to take an active role in shaping their communities. My goal is to integrate the knowledge and experience gained through the Open World Program into my work as a local representative and to share these best practices with fellow council members, local institutions, civil society organizations, and young people interested in public service.

I see the Open World Program not only as an outstanding opportunity for professional development but also as a platform for strengthening mutual understanding, lasting professional relationships, and democratic cooperation between the United States and Hungary. It would be a great honor to represent both Debrecen and Hungary, to learn from American colleagues, and to share our own experiences while building partnerships that will continue long after the program concludes.

Nominator Recommendation

U.S. Embassy Budapest is pleased to nominate Istvan Adam Bogнар for the Open World Program. Mr. Bogнар has been a member of the City Council of Debrecen since 2024. If included in the delegation, Mr. Bogнар would be the first elected official from Hungary's second-largest city to participate in the Open World Program. On the City Council, Mr. Bogнар is a member of the Committee on Culture and Education and the Economic Development Committee. Mr. Bogнар is an active member of the local community, having served as a leader of the University of Debrecen student self-government and as head of the talent program Mathias Corvinus Collegium. He is currently pursuing his PhD in economics and business management. He has never been to the United States.

Activities that are part of your main duties at work

Previous Professional Information

Dates	Position	Organization
12/2020 -	Head of Representation (Present)	Mathias Corvinus Collegium (MCC)
09/2018 - 02/2020	Advisor	Itechline Information Technology Ltd.

Education

Level Or Degree	Major	Institution
Doctorate	Leadership and Organization (In Progress)	University of Debrecen
Graduate/Post-graduate Degree	Biology	University of Debrecen

Teaching Activities

Community Involvement

Dates	Position	Organization	Hours Per Month
06/2026 -	Member of the Supervisory Board	Debrecen University Athletics Club (DEAC)	10
09/2016 -	Board Member	Campus Eleven School Cooperative	10

Current Political Activity

Dates	Position	Organization
08/2023 -	Member	Fidesz – Hungarian Civic Alliance

US Travels

Other Travels

Start Date	Purpose	Country
	Tourism	Hellenic Republic
	Tourism	Netherlands
	Conference	China
	Tourism	United Arab Emirates
	Tourism	Cuba

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Emergency Contact		
Emergency Contact Phone		

Placement City: **Lincoln, NE**

US Arrival: **Sep-16-2026**

Nomination ID: **20159940**

Citizen of: **Hungary**

Open World Program 2026

Delegate Profile

Roland Imre Kosa

Current Position: Deputy Mayor, City of Gyor with County Rights

Personal Information

Full Name:	Kosa, Roland Imre		
Date of Birth:	May 04, 1989	Religious Affiliation:	Catholic
Age:	37	Willing to attend host's religious services:	Yes
Gender:	Male	Is Smoker:	No
Level of English:	Fluent	Marital Status:	Married
Other Languages:	German (Not Specified), Hungarian (Not Specified)	Spouse's Name:	Weisz Dorottya, Julianna
First Trip to USA:	No	Children:	Sons (ages):None; Daughters (ages): 6 months, 3

Hobbies:

Yoga, community work, theater, hiking. I also have a Labrador, and of course 2 children; they are my main hobby.

Health Restrictions:

None.

Dietary Restrictions:

None.

Pet Allergies:

No.

Current Professional Information

Dates:	10/2024 -
Position:	Deputy Mayor
Organization:	City of Gyor with County Rights
Website:	www.gyor.hu

Job Description

I'm currently the Deputy Mayor of the City of Gyor, responsible for city development, city asset management, communications, and culture.

Current Workplace Information

Is this an elected position?	Yes
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Duration of employ with this organization	1-5 Years
Total number of employees in this organization	More than 100
People directly supervised by the individual	21-50
People supervised by the individual's manager	More than 100
Management levels above individual's supervisor	0
Supervisor's job title	Mayor of Gyor
Type of Work	Government (non-legislative) > Local

Essay

I had the privilege of living in the United States and visiting your great country on many occasions, yet I never had the opportunity to take a deep dive into its local institutions and understand the governing principles and basic structures of its municipal system.

Through the Open World Program, I would like to expand my horizons and learn best practices from the United States in topics that I'm responsible for in my city. I believe that in the fields of city planning, asset and property management, culture, tourism, communications, and youth relations, the United States and its local communities can give great examples and new ideas for myself and for the city of Gyor.

City development and planning is one of my key topics; during my stay, I would like to explore the democratic involvement of residents in city planning, conflict resolution between investor and resident interests, planning and maintenance of city infrastructure, and best practices in city management and planning.

In the field of asset management, I'm interested in how a city, or local government, can turn its properties into useful and beneficial elements of the city, either generating revenue or serving the needs of the community.

Arts and culture face strong challenges with digitalization and social media; I'm interested in how traditional cultural institutions can survive or even thrive in this new environment.

Democratic involvement and youth activation: Coming from a post socialist country, it is important for me to revitalize democratic engagement of our citizens. I'm looking for ways to bring local decision-making closer to the people, and to channel the people's perspectives, needs, and ideas into this process.

I believe that the strong democratic heritage and long history of self-governing cities and communities can provide me with inspiring ideas and best practices to implement in Hungary, in order to unlock unknown potential within my community and city.

Nominator Recommendation

U.S. Embassy Budapest is pleased to nominate Roland Kosa, Deputy Mayor of Gyor, for the Open World Program. Gyor is Hungary's sixth-largest city, with a population of approx. 130,000. Mr. Kosa was elected to the City Council and subsequently appointed Deputy Mayor in 2024, joining a dynamic young team that took over the city's leadership that year. In conversations with Embassy staff, Mr. Kosa has expressed strong interest in advancing citizen participation in democratic processes and has voiced a desire to learn more about U.S. governance. Although Mr. Kosa has previously visited the United States, he has never done so on a government-sponsored program, and he would clearly benefit from participating in the Open World Program.

Activities that are part of your main duties at work

Previous Professional Information

Dates	Position	Organization
09/2017 - 10/2024	Owner, Creative Director, Project Manager	X-Tended Pictures LLC
11/2015 - 11/2017	Employer Branding and E-Mobility Communications Expert	Audi Hungaria Ltd.

Education

Level Or Degree	Major	Institution
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Graduate/Post-graduate Degree	International Relations	Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)
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Teaching Activities

Community Involvement			
Dates	Position	Organization	Hours Per Month
-			

Current Political Activity		
Dates	Position	Organization
03/2026 -	President	With a Pure Heart for the City (Tiszta Szívvel a Varosert Egyesulet - TSZV)

US Travels		
Start Date	Purpose	Visa Type
06/2019	Business and Tourism	B-1

Other Travels		
Start Date	Purpose	Country
	Tourism	Germany
	Tourism	Austria
	Tourism	United Kingdom
	Tourism	France
	Business	Brazil

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	Mobile
	Work (main)
Emergency Contact	
Emergency Contact Phone	

Placement City: **Lincoln, NE**

US Arrival: **Sep-16-2026**

Nomination ID: **20159938**

Citizen of: **Hungary**

Open World Program 2026

Delegate Profile

Aron Galffy

Current Position: City Administrator, Szombathely Asset Utilization and Asset Management Nonprofit Ltd. (SZOVA Nonprofit Zrt.)

Leadership Position: Member of the City Council of Szombathely (Local/Municipal)

Personal Information

Full Name:	Galffy, Aron	Religious Affiliation:	Catholic
Date of Birth:	Sep 02, 1990	Willing to attend host's religious services:	Yes
Age:	35	Is Smoker:	No
Gender:	Male	Marital Status:	Married
Level of English:	Fluent	Spouse's Name:	Galffy-Soos, Aniko
Other Languages:	German (Not Specified), Hungarian (Not Specified)	Children:	Sons (ages):None; Daughters (ages): 1, 2
First Trip to USA:	Yes		

Hobbies:

Basketball, soccer, tactical and strategic computer games.

Health Restrictions:

Not Specified.

Dietary Restrictions:

I am lactose intolerant.

Pet Allergies:

I am allergic to pet fur (especially cats), but I can use medication to mitigate its effects.

Current Professional Information

Dates:	09/2024 -
Position:	City Administrator
Organization:	Szombathely Asset Utilization and Asset Management Nonprofit Ltd. (SZOVA Nonprofit Zrt.)
Website:	www.szova.hu

Job Description

I am an elected representative of the City Council of Szombathely. I am the Vice President of the Crime Prevention Committee and the Social and Housing Committee, and a Member of the Economic and Legal Committee.

Current Workplace Information

Is this an elected position?	Yes
Duration of employ with this organization	6-10 Years
Total number of employees in this organization	More than 100
People directly supervised by the individual	Less than 10
People supervised by the individual's manager	More than 100
Management levels above individual's supervisor	0
Supervisor's job title	Mayor of Szombathely
Type of Work	Government (non-legislative) > Local

Essay

I am really interested in the legislative work of the USA at any level. I expect that gathering knowledge and experience in this Program will be extremely helpful in my work as an elected official.

Nominator Recommendation

U.S. Embassy Budapest is pleased to nominate Aron Galffy, a Member of the City Council of Szombathely, for the Open World Program. Mr. Galffy was recommended for the Program by Szombathely's Independent Mayor, who has described Mr. Galffy as a dynamic and forward-thinking representative with a deep commitment to public service. In his recommendation, the Mayor highlighted Mr. Galffy's leadership skills and the instrumental role he has played in championing community-driven initiatives in his city of 78,000 residents. Mr. Galffy is serving his first term as an elected representative; previously, he supported city operations as the Mayor's Secretary. He has never visited the United States. Mr. Galffy was also recommended to the Embassy by an alum of the State Department's International Visitor Leadership Program.

Activities that are part of your main duties at work

Previous Professional Information

Dates	Position	Organization
11/2019 - 09/2024	Mayor's Secretary	Municipality of Szombathely City with County Rights
01/2019 - 11/2019	Deputy Store Manager	PiMobili Ltd. (PiMobili Alliance)

Education

Level Or Degree	Major	Institution
College/University Degree	Security Policy	National University of Public Service in Budapest

Teaching Activities

Community Involvement

Current Political Activity

Dates	Position	Organization
01/2025 -	Member	Long live Szombathely!

US Travels

Other Travels

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Placement City: **Lincoln, NE**

US Arrival: **Sep-16-2026**

Nomination ID: **20159939**

Citizen of: **Hungary**

Open World Program 2026

Delegate Profile

Mihaly Gyorfi

Current Position: Mayor, Municipality of the City of Szolnok with
County Rights

Personal Information

Full Name:	Gyorfi, Mihaly	Religious Affiliation:	Not Specified
Date of Birth:	Sep 22, 1982	Willing to attend host's religious services:	Yes
Age:	43	Is Smoker:	No
Gender:	Male	Marital Status:	
Level of English:	Conversational	Spouse's Name:	N/A
Other Languages:	German (Not Specified), Hungarian (Not Specified)	Children:	Sons (ages):None; Daughters (ages): 12, 19
First Trip to USA:	Yes		

Hobbies:

Reading, historical movies, cycling, listening to music.

Health Restrictions:

Not Specified.

Dietary Restrictions:

None.

Pet Allergies:

No.

Current Professional Information

Dates:	10/2024 -
Position:	Mayor
Organization:	Municipality of the City of Szolnok with County Rights
Website:	www.szolnok.hu

Job Description

Not Provided.

Current Workplace Information

Is this an elected position?	Yes
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Duration of employ with this organization	More than 10 Years
Total number of employees in this organization	More than 100
People directly supervised by the individual	More than 100
People supervised by the individual's manager	
Management levels above individual's supervisor	
Supervisor's job title	Not Provided.
Type of Work	Government (non-legislative) > Local

Essay

As the Mayor of the City of Szolnok, my professional work focuses on developing the local community, ensuring sustainable urban operations, and maintaining modern, transparent municipal governance. My primary goal is to create a livable, competitive, and innovative urban environment that fosters economic growth, strengthens social cohesion, and improves the quality of life for residents. In my work, I place special emphasis on local economic development, creating an investor-friendly environment, implementing smart city solutions, and strengthening partnerships with civil society organizations and local communities.

Through participation in the Open World Program, I hope to gain direct insight into local governance in the United States, particularly in the areas of urban development, civic engagement, digital administration, and innovative public services. I aim to learn about best practices that contribute to more effective municipal decision-making, increased resident involvement, and sustainable urban management.

The Program would also provide an opportunity to build international professional connections, exchange experiences with American municipal leaders, and apply the knowledge gained there to the development of my own city. I am convinced that international cooperation and the adoption of best practices can contribute to strengthening local communities and modernizing municipal operations in the long term.

Nominator Recommendation

U.S. Embassy Budapest is pleased to nominate Mihaly Gyorfi, Mayor of Szolnok, for the Open World Program. With a population of approx. 70,000, Szolnok is Hungary's eleventh-largest city. In addition to seeking new partners within Hungary's newly elected government, Mayor Gyorfi is eager to revitalize the city's international relations and has expressed strong interest in identifying opportunities to better engage more closely with the United States and apply best practices in his city. Prior to his election as Mayor in 2024, Mr. Gyorfi served as Deputy Mayor and was a Member of the City Council for several terms. Mr. Gyorfi has never visited the United States.

Activities that are part of your main duties at work

Previous Professional Information

Dates	Position	Organization
01/2020 - 09/2024	Deputy Mayor	Municipality of the City of Szolnok with County Rights
01/2010 - 01/2020	City Council Member	Municipality of the City of Szolnok with County Rights

Education

Level Or Degree	Major	Institution
College/University Degree	History	University of Debrecen

Teaching Activities

Community Involvement

Dates	Position	Organization	Hours Per Month
05/2024 -	Signing President	For Szolnok Faction	168

Current Political Activity

Dates	Position	Organization
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US Travels

Other Travels

Start Date	Purpose	Country
	Business	Italy
	Business	Poland
	Business	Germany
	Business	Romania
	Business	Croatia
	Business	Austria
	Business	Slovakia

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Placement City: **Lincoln, NE**

US Arrival: **Sep-16-2026**

Nomination ID: **20156340**

Citizen of: **Hungary**

Open World Program 2026

Facilitator Profile

Mate Hegedus

Current Position: Senior Political Specialist, US Embassy in
Hungary

Personal Information

Full Name:	Hegedus, Mate Frigyes		
Date of Birth:	Mar 17, 1981	Religious Affiliation:	Not Specified
Age:	45	Willing to attend host's religious services:	Yes
Gender:	Male	Is Smoker:	No
Level of English:	Fluent	Marital Status:	Married
Other Languages:	French (Basic Conversation), German (Conversational), Hungarian (Fluent)	Spouse's Name:	Kulcsar, Angyalka
First Trip to USA:	No	Children:	Sons (ages): / Daughters (ages): /

Hobbies:

Personal interests: running, aviation.

Professional interests: elections, international relations.

Health Restrictions:

None.

Dietary Restrictions:

None.

Pet Allergies:

No.

Current Professional Information

Dates:	01/2012 -
Position:	Senior Political Specialist
Organization:	US Embassy in Hungary
Website:	www.hu.usembassy.gov

Job Description

As the Embassy's Senior Political Specialist, I liaise between the Mission's Political-Economic Section and the leadership of Hungary's political parties and leaders, including government officials, national and local government representatives, and other policymakers; my work involves a mix of reporting and contact-building.

Current Workplace Information

Is this an elected position?	Not Specified
Duration of employ with this organization	More than 10 Years
Total number of employees in this organization	
People directly supervised by the individual	
People supervised by the individual's manager	
Management levels above individual's supervisor	
Supervisor's job title	N/A
Type of Work	Other

Essay

Nominator Recommendation

Activities that are part of your main duties at work

Previous Professional Information

Dates	Position	Organization
01/2005 - 01/2011	Political Assistant	US Embassy in Hungary
01/2004 - 01/2005	Intern	Atlantic Council of the United States

Education

Level Or Degree	Major	Institution
Graduate/Post-graduate Degree	International Relations	Corvinus University of Budapest
College/University Degree	American Studies	Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)

Teaching Activities

Community Involvement

Dates	Position	Organization	Hours Per Month
01/2014 -	Vice-Chair of the Foreign Service National Committee (2014-2017)	US Embassy in Hungary	
01/2011 -	Chair of the Foreign Service National Committee (2011-2014)	US Embassy in Hungary	

Current Political Activity

Dates	Position	Organization
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US Travels

Start Date	Purpose	Visa Type
06/2021	Open World Program (AL, VT, VA, AR, TX, OH)	B-1/B-2

Other Travels**Contact Details**

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Council Comment - Dina Ostasuc

Dina Ostasuc has submitted a comment for Council. Please see the attached comment

Name	Dina Ostasuc
Phone number	[REDACTED]
Email address	[REDACTED]
Your comment	There is a "noise" that turns on and shuts off at times throughout the day and night, somewhere near my home at [REDACTED] St, Lincoln...it is obnoxious and gives me a perpetual headache. Find the source and shut it down permanently.



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Council Comment - Dina Ostasuc

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Name	Dina Ostasuc
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Your comment	Put a stop to the planes going over my space at [REDACTED] St...the excuses have run out, we're being taken advantage of to our detriment, now stop it.



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