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CITY SEEKS TO FILL POSITIONS ON BUDGET ADVISORY COMMISSION

Eden Prairie, Minn. — The City of Eden Prairie is now seeking candidates to fill two open seats on its **Budget Advisory Commission** (BAC) beginning in January 2009.

The purpose of the BAC is to act in an advisory capacity to the City Council in connection to the formation of a biennial City budget. The BAC's roles and responsibilities include:

- Learn about the overall policy direction for the budget as communicated by the City Council to the City Manager
- Interact with the City Manager and City staff to learn about the City's statutory and discretionary budgetary procedures and practices
- Review budget drafts, documents and other related budget information related to the City budget
- Attend City Council workshops, meetings, forums and other events related to the City budget
- Review and comment to the City Council on intermittent budget proposals prepared by the City staff
- Propose budgetary and operational reforms with a goal of aiding the City Council in making fiscally sound budget decisions.

The Budget Advisory Commission meets the 4th Thursday of every month and on an as-needed basis to accomplish the Commission's mission. Commission appointments may be either a two-year or four-year term starting January 2009.

Interested candidates must complete an application and supplemental questionnaire (application packet) to be considered for appointment. Application packets are available on the City's Web site, edenprairie.org, or at the **City Center** (8080 Mitchell Road) Monday – Friday from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Applications will be accepted until 4 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 3, 2008 and the City Council will hold interviews in October.

For more information, or with questions, contact **Michael Barone**, assistant to the City manager, at mbarone@edenprairie.org or 952-949-8433.

The City of Eden Prairie is a vibrant community of more than 60,000 residents located just southwest of Minneapolis. Eden Prairie has been nationally recognized as a great place to live, work and raise a family. Since 2006, Eden Prairie has been listed in MONEY Magazine's 100 "Best Places to Live" in America.

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