

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
JANUARY 6, 2026
7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for January 6, 2026, to order at 7:00 PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Councilmembers Lisa Iverson, Linda Nanko Yeager, Dennis Schilling, Brett Ohnstad, and Claire Luger

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Tom Loonan - Eckberg Lammers, Robb Linwood - City Administrator, Grant MacFarlane - Assistant City Administrator, Mark Erichson - WSB, Neil Bauer - Public Safety Director, Fred Weck - Zoning Administrator/Building Official, and Steve Reeves - Public Works Superintendent

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ANNUAL MEETING:

1. Designate Official Newspaper for 2026

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane – Outlined the options for official newspaper and explained the recommendation for approval of Chisago County Press.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-01, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CHISAGO COUNTY PRESS AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE CITY OF WYOMING FOR THE YEAR 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Set Annual Fees for City Services in 2026

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane – Highlighted some of the proposed changes to the City's Fee Schedule for 2026.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked questions related to some of the proposed fees and shared concerns she had with them.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-02, A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL FEES FOR CITY SERVICES FOR 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager

Abstain: None
Absent: None

3. Designate Electronic Fund Transfer and Payments for Claims

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane – Noted that the City’s auditor has indicated that it would be a best practice to adopt this resolution on an annual basis and gave examples of when this situation would arise.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-03, A RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO MAKE ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFERS AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS PRIOR TO BOARD APPROVAL TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND THEIR DESIGNEES FOR 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

4. Review Council Appointments to Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Board of Trustees of Fire Department Volunteer Relief Association

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-04, A RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FIRE DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER RELIEF ASSOCIATION FOR 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

5. Designate Official Depository for City Funds for 2026

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-05, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES FOR THE CITY OF WYOMING FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

6. Elect an Acting Mayor to Serve in the Absence of the Mayor during 2026

Mayor Iverson – Nominated Councilmember Luger to serve as Acting Mayor in 2026.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO ELECT COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO SERVE AS ACTING MAYOR IN THE ABSENCE OF MAYOR IVERSON DURING 2026.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

7. Establishing 2026 Regular Meeting Nights of the City Council of the City of Wyoming and Budget Calendar for 2027

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane – Reviewed the proposed City Council meeting dates for 2026 and the proposed Budget Process Calendar for 2027.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE THE 2026 REGULAR MEETING NIGHTS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WYOMING AND BUDGET PROCESS CALENDAR FOR 2027, AS PRESENTED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

OPEN FORUM:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

8. Consider approving the minutes of the “Work Session Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for December 16, 2026

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE “WORK SESSION MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR DECEMBER 16, 2025, AS SUBMITTED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

9. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for December 16, 2025

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY MAYOR IVERSON, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR DECEMBER 16, 2025, AS SUBMITTED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the “Consent Agenda” will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

10. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll, and journal entries for the period from December 27, 2025, to January 6, 2026

11. To consider accepting the resignation of Kenny Hyrkas from the Wyoming Fire

Department

12. To consider **Resolution 26-01-06**, a resolution approving the issuance of various Tobacco, Massage, and Waste Hauler licenses in the City of Wyoming for the year 2026
13. To consider **Resolution 26-01-07**, a resolution approving a Low Potency Hemp Edible Registration Application for the Wyoming Smoke Shop in the City of Wyoming for 2026
14. To consider **Resolution 26-01-08**, a resolution authorizing payment of 2025 Compost Site fees to the City of Lindstrom in the amount of \$13,103.00
15. To consider **Resolution 26-01-09**, a resolution authorizing payment for Agenda Management Software for the year 2026 to Civic Plus in the amount of \$10,552.32

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE #10, #11, #12, #13, #14, and #15 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

16. Report of the Public Safety Director Neil Bauer for December 30, 2025
17. Report of City Building Official Fred Weck, IV for December 29, 2025
18. Report of City Attorney Tom Loonan for December 30, 2025
19. Report of City Engineer Mark Erichson, WSB for January 2, 2026
20. Report of Public Works Superintendent Steve Reeves for December 30, 2025

COMMUNICATIONS:

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

21. To consider **Resolution 26-01-10**, a resolution approving the Final Plat of "Summer Fields 4th Addition" at Property ID Number: 21.10582.50

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Outlined the details of the proposed Final Plat of "Summer Fields 4th Addition" and the recommendation from staff and the Planning Commission for approval.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Referenced concerns that were shared from a resident south of this development and asked if they had been addressed.

City Engineer Erichson – Noted that the concerns had been addressed and the plans were in excess of the City's rules. He explained that staff were comfortable with what the applicant had proposed related to stormwater.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 26-01-10, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF "SUMMER FIELD 4TH ADDITION" AT PROPERTY ID NUMBER: 21.10582.50

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

22. To consider the establishment and posting of a Part-Time Firefighter position within the Wyoming Fire Department

Public Safety Director Bauer – Outlined the request to establish a Part-Time Firefighter position and post the opening. He reviewed the proposed starting salary rate range within the City’s step system, expected duties, and projected hours per week.

Mayor Iverson – Confirmed that the City had already planned for this position within their 2026 budget.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Asked how often and how frequently fire inspections should be happening.

Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck – Briefly outlined the frequency and process of conducting fire inspections.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Stated their opposition to the new position due to the new Police/Fire/Admin building project. Suggested fire inspections be completed in a different way.

Council Member Luger – Expressed concern about potential liability and financial impact to the City for the City not conducting fire inspections.

City Attorney Loonan – Explained that the City has an obligation to ensure the buildings are compliant with zoning codes, but noted that the City did not have a lot of civil liability.

Mayor Iverson –they needed to provide these services to residents and businesses. She stated that she was in favor of this position as well as the upcoming agenda item for a part-time CSO because they have to take care of their residents.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO ESTABLISH AND POST A PART-TIME FIREFIGHTER POSITION WITHIN THE WYOMING FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager
Abstain: None
Absent: None

23. To consider the establishment and posting of a Part-Time Community Service Officer (CSO) position with the Wyoming Police Department

Public Safety Director Bauer – Reviewed the request to establish a Part-Time Community Service Officer within the Wyoming Police Department and post the opening. He reviewed the expected hours, salary range, and duties for this position.

Council Member Schilling – Expressed his support for this position and noted that he is in favor of the Police Officers no longer needing to handle code issues.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Stated that she had the same concerns with this position as she did in relation to the part-time Firefighter position.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER

OHNSTAD, TO ESTABLISH AND POST A PART-TIME COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER (CSO) POSITION WITH THE WYOMING POLICE DEPARTMENT

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager

Abstain: None

Absent: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Ohnstad – No report.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – No report.

Council Member Luger – No report.

Council Member Schilling – No report.

Mayor Iverson – No report.

Public Safety Director Bauer – Stated that Coffee with a Cop will be on January 21, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. at the Wyoming McDonald's.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO ADJOURN THE JANUARY 6, 2026, "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 7:48 PM

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

A portion of this public meeting may be closed to discuss "Labor Negotiation Strategies"; "Misconduct allegations or charges"; "Attorney-client privilege"; or "Performance evaluations" as per MN State Statute 13D.01-.05.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
JANUARY 20, 2026
7:00 PM