# APPROVED MINUTES
# CITY COUNCIL
# REGULAR MEETING
# CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
# AUGUST 18, 2026
# 7:00 PM

## CALL TO ORDER:

*Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for August 18, 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, and Claire Luger*

*ABSENT: Councilmember Brett Ohnstad*

*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:

## OPEN FORUM:

**1. Life Saving Award**

**Public Safety Director Bauer** – Read aloud a statement that explained what happened in the City on May 11, 2026, when Mr. Leo Lyons, a contracted Amazon Delivery Driver, encountered a violent assault in progress at a residence. He stated that despite recognizing the immediate danger of the situation, Mr. Lyons entered the home and confronted the assailant and was able to take control of the hammer and place it out of reach. He explained that Mr. Lyons contacted Public Safety and remained involved until they arrived on the scene. He noted that the investigation of the incident found that the victim had been struck in the head multiple times by the hammer. He stated that the City was presenting the Life Saving Award to Mr. Lyons because he was willing to enter an unpredictable and extremely dangerous situation without regard for his own safety. He explained that his intervention stopped the assault, prevented additional injuries, and allowed her to receive immediate medical care. He stated that Mr. Lyons showed extraordinary courage in a circumstance where hesitation could have resulted in the victim's death.

There was a round of applause and a standing ovation for Mr. Lyons. Mr. Lyons was presented with his Life Saving Award from the City.

**Ken Rutford, 4700 East Viking Boulevard** – Expressed his overall concerns with the proposed hotel as part of the Sunrise River Bank Commercial project.

**Loren Osterbauer** – Stated that he was here to address the firearms issue that would be discussed on tonight's agenda. He noted that what was proposed would ban the use of any firearm other than hunting with shotguns, which would force small game hunters to use a shotgun for an animal like squirrels or rabbits. Explained that an exception should be made to allow the use of .22s for this purpose.

**Trevor Osterbauer, 5004 280th Street** – Shared his concerns with the proposed ordinance related to use of rifles for hunting within City limits. He asked the Council to consider wording the ordinance in a way to distinguish big and small game hunting and their limitations on the allowable caliber of gun that is utilized.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2. **Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for August 5, 2026**

   **A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR AUGUST 5, 2026, AS SUBMITTED.**

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

## SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE

## SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

## 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.*

3. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll, and journal entries for the period of August 5, 2026 to August 18, 2026
4. To consider **Resolution 26-08-102**, a resolution approving an invoice from Wold Architects for design development of the City facilities project in the amount of $74,899.21
5. To consider **Resolution 26-08-103**, a resolution approving an invoice from Wold Architects for design development of the City facilities project in the amount of $16,726.46
6. To consider **Resolution 26-08-104**, approving payment for pay voucher #2 to North Valley, Inc. for the 2026 Street Improvement Project in the amount of $441,494.07.
7. To consider **Resolution 26-08-105**, a resolution appointing probationary firefighters.
8. To consider **Resolution 26-08-106**, a resolution approving construction contracts for the City Hall and Fire Department facilities project.
9. To consider the resignation of Alex Bulmer from the Wyoming Fire Department.
10. To consider **Resolution 26-08-107**, a resolution approving a contract extension with ProPhoenix for Records Management System, CAD, and mobile applications through 2030.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY**

**COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE #3,#4, #5, #6, #7, #8, #9, and #10 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

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

**11.** Report of the Public Safety Director, Neil Bauer, for August 12, 2026

**12.** Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV, for August 14, 2026

**13.** Report of City Attorney, Tom Loonan, for August 12, 2026

**14.** Report of City Engineer, Mark Erichson, WSB, for August 12, 2026

**15.** Report of Public Works Superintendent, Steve Reeves, for August 12, 2026

## COMMUNICATIONS

**16.** EDA Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2026A – Bond Sale Summary

**City Administrator Linwood** – Explained that Chris Hogan, Baker Tilly, would be giving the Council a summary of the recent bond sale details.

**Chris Hogan, Baker Tilly** – Gave a summary of the recent bond sale of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2026A. She noted that the proceeds of the sale would be used to finance acquisition, construction, renovation, remodeling, and equipping of the new City Hall facility. Added that the City received an upgrade to their bond rating in 2024 and that she wanted to present the appropriate plaque for this to the City.

**Councilmember Schilling** – Noted that he was happy that the rates came in lower than expected.

**Councilmember Nanko Yeager** – Asked how much more they will be paying in interest using this type of bond instead of a general obligation bond.

**Ms. Hogan** – Explained that an overall differential would be 20-25 basis points and stated that her estimate of it as a general obligation bond sale would be around $285,000 less which would equate to $14,000 less annually

## OLD BUSINESS

## NEW BUSINESS

**17.** To consider **<u>Resolution 26-08-108</u>**, a resolution approving Final Plat D-26-001 of “Sunrise River Bank Commercial”, Location: East Viking & Kettle River Boulevards, Greenwood Golf

Course Site, Applicant: Richard Morris of Sunrise Riverbank Properties, LLC, Property ID Numbers: 21.10820.33 & 21.00012.20

**Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck** – Gave an overview of the Final Plat and Master Development Plan requests for the Sunrise River Bank Commercial project. He stated that staff and the Planning Commission recommend approval. He noted that all of the sites will need to come back to the City for CUP and/or Site Plan review before there are final approvals from the City.

**Mayor Iverson** – Noted that she believed there was still some confusion for some people regarding Final Plat and the next steps that would still be necessary for this project. She stated that if this is approved, it wouldn't mean that shovels would go into the ground tomorrow.

**Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck** – Confirmed that was true and explained that the Final Plat will allow the applicant to subdivide the land and make parcels, but before that they will need to comply with the conditions outlined in the staff report. He stated that following that, there will also be a development agreement between the City and the developer. He explained that the applicant was hoping to break ground before winter.

**Mayor Iverson** – Asked City Administrator Linwood to share the comments that he and Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane had received from local businesses related to hotels.

**City Administrator Linwood** – Stated that businesses such as Polaris, Rosenbauer, and the Fairview Hospital have all shared their desire for a hotel in town. He noted that the City has had conversations with the Chisago County HRA, EDA, and some of the retail studies have shown that this community could support a hotel.

**Council Member Nanko Yeager** – Asked if it was possible that the parcels could remain vacant for years if no developers end up coming forward.

**Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck** – Clarified that would be a possibility for any development.

**Council Member Nanko Yeager** – Asked when the proposed roundabouts would be constructed.

**Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck** – Stated that the hope is that they will be put in sometime in the next 2-3 years.

**Council Member Nanko Yeager** – Explained that the possibility of the apartment, hotel, and convenience store being able to change before the CUP process was a red flag for her.

**Council Member Schilling** – Clarified that the Council was being asked to vote on a Final Plat, which does not concern potential uses, and that this was allowed by the City and meets the requirements.

**Mayor Iverson** – Stated that the Council had received a letter from Mr. Morris reserving time to have further conversations about the Park Dedication Fees and asked if Council supported that request.

**Council Member Schilling** – Stated that he supported that request for further discussion and noted that the apartment and hotel will take more than 2 years to build, which fell in line with the proposed roundabout improvements in the area.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE <u>RESOLUTION 26-08-108</u>, A RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL PLAT D-26-001 OF "SUNRISE RIVER BANK COMMERCIAL", LOCATION: EAST VIKING & KETTLE RIVER BOULEVARDS, GREENWOOD GOLF COURSE SITE, APPLICANT: RICHARD MORRIS OF SUNRISE RIVERBANK PROPERTIES, LLC, PROPERTY ID NUMBERS: 21.10820.33 & 21.00012.20**

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

**18.** To consider **<u>Resolution 26-08-109</u>**, a resolution approving the Master Development Plan of "Sunrise River Bank Commercial", Location: East Viking & Kettle River Boulevards, Greenwood Golf Course Site, Applicant: Richard Morris of Sunrise Riverbank Properties, LLC, Property ID Numbers: 21-10320.33 & 21.00012.20

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE <u>RESOLUTION 26-08-109</u> A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MASTER DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF "SUNRISE RIVER BANK COMMERCIAL", LOCATION: EAST VIKING & KETTLE RIVER BOULEVARDS, GREENWOOD GOLF COURSE SITE, APPLICANT: RICHARD MORRIS OF SUNRISE RIVERBANK PROPERTIES, LLC, PROPERTY ID NUMBERS: 21-10320.33 & 21.00012.20**

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

**19.** To consider Resolution 26-08-110, a resolution amending the Order of the City of Wyoming regarding the hazardous and substandard building located at 26237 Forest Boulevard, Wyoming, MN, 55092

**Zoning Administrator/Building Official Weck** – Explained that this item was back before the Council because a revision was necessary and noted that he had not included a timeline for the owner to make repairs. He gave a brief review of the language he added to include a reasonable timeline.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE <u>RESOLUTION 26-08-110,</u> A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ORDER OF THE CITY OF WYOMING REGARDING THE HAZARDOUS AND SUBSTANDARD BUILDING LOCATED AT 26237 FOREST BOULEVARD, WYOMING, MN, 55092**

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

**20.** To consider approval and adoption of **<u>Ordinance 2026-03,</u>** an Ordinance amending the City of Wyoming Code of Ordinances, Chapter 22, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article I, In General, Section 22-4, Permitted Use of Firearms

**City Administrator Linwood** – Gave an overview of the recent actions in the legislature related to hunting and firearm usage. He noted that the City is a mix of open spaces and residential areas and explained the thought process behind the proposed amendments to the existing ordinance. He stated that Mr. Osterbauer had submitted information to the City before the meeting, which staff had reviewed, and was now presenting a slightly different version of the proposed amendments that would not impact or change the previous ordinance and only change for the use or rifles for hunting large game as defined by statute. He briefly reviewed the proposed updated language for the ordinance.

**Council Member Schilling** – Stated that the new proposed changes help address some of the concerns raised by the Osterbauers earlier in the meeting.

**Council Member Luger** – She stated that the newest version of the amendments seemed like a fair compromise on this issue.

**Council Member Nanko Yeager** – Asked if the City needed to spell out anything about small game hunting.

**City Attorney Loonan** – Stated that this still permits hunting, but has a specific exclusion for use of a rifle for big game. He noted that other uses, such as those referenced during the Open Forum, would be permitted.

Mr. Osterbauer spoke from the audience, indicating his support for the updated language amendments proposed by staff.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE AND ADOPT <u>ORDINANCE 2026-03</u>, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF WYOMING CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 22, OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, SECTION 22-4, PERMITTED USE OF FIREARMS, AS REVISED.**

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

**21.** To consider **<u>Resolution 26-08-111</u>**, a resolution approving and adopting **<u>Ordinance 2026-03</u>**, an Ordinance amending the City of Wyoming Code of Ordinances, Chapter 22, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions, Article 1, In General, Section 22-4, Permitted Use of Firearms

**City Administrator Linwood** – Clarified that this item did not need to be amended because it didn't contain the same detail as the previous item.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE <u>RESOLUTION 26-08-111,</u> A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING <u>ORDINANCE 2026-03</u>, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF WYOMING CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 22, OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS, ARTICLE**

**1, IN GENERAL, SECTION 22-4, PERMITTED USE OF FIREARMS.**

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

## COUNCIL REPORTS:

**Council Member Nanko Yeager** – Attended the Council Work Session.

**Council Member Luger** – Attended the Council Work Session and the Sewer Commission meetings.

**Council Member Schilling** – Attended the EDA and Council Work Session meetings.

**Mayor Iverson –** Attended the Council Work Session and Sewer Commission meeting. She noted that Stomp Out Suicide was a great event and had over 1,200 people attend. She stated that she had also attended the EDA and Planning Commission meeting. She noted that she had also presented at an event for women who were considering running for local or State government positions.

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 18, 2026, "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 8:18 PM**

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

***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:***
***SEPTEMBER 1, 2026***
***7:00 PM***