



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
HJEMKOMST CENTER AUDITORIUM - 202 1ST AVE N.
August 11, 2025 - 5:30 PM**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present (9): Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson, Shelly Carlson

Absent (0):

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Agenda Amendments

4. Consent Agenda

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in accordance with the "Council Rules of Procedure". In such event, the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

Motion to Approve made by Lisa Borgen and seconded by Heather Nesemeier.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

5. Recognitions/Presentations

A. MoorHeart Recognition: Ashley Anderson

Governmental Affairs Director Lisa Bode presented the MoorHeart award to Ashley Anderson for her life-saving measures taken while visiting a Moorhead pool.

B. Swearing-In and Badge Pinning for Moorhead Police Officers

Moorhead Police Chief Chris Helmick introduced new Moorhead Police Officers to be sworn-in by Mayor Shelly Carlson.

C. Presentation: Ritchell Aboah, Engagement Director, Resource Connect

Resource Connect Engagement Director Ritchell Aboah presented information on Resource Connect, which connects people with employment by providing dependable and accessible transportation solutions in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

6. Approve Minutes

A. July 28, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve made by Sebastian McDougall and seconded by Heather Nesemeier.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

7. Citizens Addressing the Council (Time Reserved: 15 Minutes)

Moorhead resident addressed City Council regarding the camping ban.

8. *Mayor and Council Appointments

9. Public Hearings (5:45 pm)

A. Public Hearing for an Ordinance Granting a Fiber Optic Franchise to Gateway Infrastructure, LLC

Motion to Open Public Hearing made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Lisa Borgen.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

Assistant City Manager Mike Rietz presented information to consider approving the proposed ordinance to grant a fiber optic franchise to Gateway Infrastructure, LLC.

Motion to Close Public Hearing made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Sebastian McDougall.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

B. First Reading of Ordinance 2025-08: An Ordinance to Grant a Fiber Optic Franchise to Gateway Infrastructure, LLC

Motion to Approve made by Deb White and seconded by Heather Nesemeier.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

10. Community Development Department

A. *Second Reading of Ordinance 2025-07: An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map Rezoning Partridge Creek Addition from TZ: Transitional to RLD-3: Residential Low Density-3

B. *Resolution to Approve Title & Summary of Ordinance 2025-07

C. *Resolution to Approve Amendments to the Final Plat for Partridge Creek Addition

D. *Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision - 2800 2nd Ave N - Parcel 58.206.0010

E. *Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision - 4110 34th Ave S - Parcel 58.420.0010

F. *Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision - 2400 38 Ave S - Parcel 58.623.0670

G. *Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision - Parcels 21.032.4200 & 21.032.4202

11. Economic Development

12. Engineering Department

13. Fire Department

14. Moorhead Public Service

15. Parks and Recreation Department

16. Police Department

17. Public Works

18. Administration

19. Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Nesemeier shared notes from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. Council Member Nesemeier reminded everyone that Greater Moorhead Days are coming up and shared information on the different events.

Council Member White extended her thanks to the staff and hosts that put together Night to Unite. Council Member White also thanked the organizers of The Peoples Pride Event. Council Member White shared her condolences to the family and friends of Diane Wray Williams.

Council Member Mattson shared updates regarding the road construction in Ward 1.

Mayor Carlson attended 13 meetings since the last council meeting. Mayor Carlson was asked by the League of Women Voters to speak at a BadAss Grandma's for Democracy event. Mayor Carlson met with the coordinators of the All-African festival and was asked to be a judge in their All-African FM pageant. Mayor Carlson attended LMC Board Orientation as well as her first League of Minnesota Cities Board meeting. Mayor Carlson gave a shoutout to Trollwood for their Mama Mia performance this year. The Metro-Flood Diversion Authority held a Re-rout the Red River event and Mayor Carlson shared updates from the event. Mayor Carlson extended her thanks to the dozens of people who started and put together the Joint Powers Agreement that made the metro diversion project a reality.

20. City Manager Reports

City Manager Mahli spoke about Diane Wray Williams and how she impacted our community.

21. Executive Session

22. New Business

- A. Request by Council Members Mattson and Borgen to discuss aerial spraying as a means of vector control.

Motion to Pause the Aerial Spraying until the Council can discuss further to keep or edit the current policy made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Nicole Mattson.

For 5: Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Shelly Carlson Against 4: Ryan Nelson, Emily Moore, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

Discussion took place surrounding the benefits and disadvantages of aerial spraying.

23. Adjourn

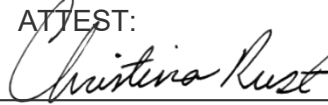
Meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM.

APPROVED BY:



Michelle (Shelly) A. Carlson
Mayor

ATTEST:



Christina Rust
City Clerk