

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
January 27, 2026

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Platteville was called to order by Council President Barbara Daus at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Present: Barbara Daus, Kathy Kopp, Lynne Parrott, Steven Badger, Bob Gates, and Brian Whisenant
Excused: Tony McFall

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Gates, second by Parrott to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes – 1/13/26 Regular; Payment of Bills in the amount of \$1,878,221.22; Appointments to Boards and Commissions: none; Two Year Operator License - Mark A Carl, Alexander D Furmanek, Nicholas J Elliott, Stephanie M Hastings, Chad M McIlwee, Ashli C Vesbach; Temporary Class “B” to serve Fermented Malt Beverages to Friends of Our Gallery at 120 W Main Street from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM for The Drift Artist Reception on Friday, March 13, 2026. Reserve "Class B" Beer & Liquor – contingent upon passing all inspections Oggers, LLC, Platteville, WI (Holly Ogden, Agent), for premises at 65 N Second Street (Ogger’s Pub & Grub). Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS’ COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Reverend Jasmine Tesdahl, pastor of the Lutheran Church of Peace, 1343 N Water Street, implored the Common Council to deny Platteville Police assistance to ICE agents. Administration Director Nicola Maurer announced that Renee Weaver started today in the Accounting and Finance Manager position. Parks and Recreation Director Bob Lowe and Fire Chief Ryan Simmons gave updates on the pool and the fire facility projects, noting that both are advancing on schedule. Common Council President Daus acknowledged the 2025 Police Annual Report and read a portion of the letter from Police Chief Doug McKinley, and recommended that everyone read the report posted on the Platteville website.

REPORTS

- A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes – Community Safe Routes Committee, Housing Authority Board, Library Board, Water & Sewer Commission, and Airport Commission

ACTION

- A. *Requests for Proposals (RFP) for Trail View Development* – Motion by Kopp, second by Badger, to approve issuing a Request for Proposals to find a developer or developers for the Trail View Development project. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. *Raze Order for 645 Sickie Street* – Motion by Whisenant, second by Parrott, to approve a resolution authorizing the issuance of a raze order for the property at 645 Sickie. Motion carried 6-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP)* – Parks and Recreation Director Bob Lowe explained that in early 2025, Council approved the hiring of Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SWWRPC) to complete the new City of Platteville Comprehensive Plan. The proposal from SWWRPC includes the CORP for Platteville parks. The CORP schedule began in August of 2025 with meetings with City Staff, the Parks and Recreation

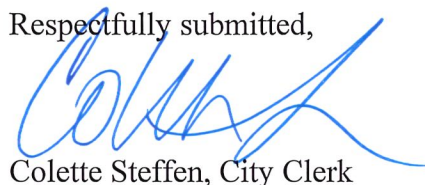
Committee, and SWWRPC staff. In September and October, public input meetings were held at the Library and the Broske Center, and surveys for public input were made available electronically and in person. Approximately 900 respondents completed the survey, which was significantly higher than the 150 respondents for the previous plan in 2019. This data was shared in several additional meetings and correspondence with City Staff and Parks Committee members. A draft was presented to the Parks, Forestry, and Recreation Committee (PFRC) at the December 2025 meeting, and after feedback from members, the final proposed draft was presented to the PFRC at the January 2026 meeting. At the January meeting, the PFRC recommended approval of the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan as presented. Troy Maggied from SWWRPC presented additional information and answered questions regarding the plan. Councilperson Kopp requested that Southwest Health Center be added to the driving economic forces. Council President Daus asked that the word "city" be removed under the economy section to clarify that the data represents the 53818 zip code area and not exclusively the city.

- B. *Update on City Manager Recruitment*– Interim City Manager Mark Rohloff provided an update on the recruitment process. Rohloff presented the timeline for the recruitment process. Applications are due on February 6, followed by a closed session on February 10 to approve applicants for interview by the McMahon Team and on February 24 to approve candidates for interview by the Council. Rohloff asked council members to reserve March 11 and 12 for the Meet and Greet and candidate interviews. Rohloff explained that the Meet and Greet will invite community members to attend and interact with the candidates, allowing council members to observe the candidates' communication skills. On March 24, the council will approve the employment agreement. This schedule will enable the City to secure a candidate by mid-March and have that person start in April or early May.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kopp, second by Parrott to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Colette Steffen, City Clerk