

PLATTEVILLE COMMON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 12, 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 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Present: Tony McFall, Barbara Daus, Bob Gates, Brian Whisenant, Lynne Parrott (arrived at 6:01 P.M), Steven Badger, Kathy Kopp,
Excused: None

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Police Chief Joshua Grabandt presented the Dispatch Consolidation Study. Chief Grabandt discussed the current dispatch model and its challenges. Chief Grabandt explained what changes would happen with consolidation, what the staffing impacts would be, facility considerations, technology impacts, and the financial impact. Chief Grabandt discussed the risks and considerations surrounding consolidation and presented key decisions for the City of Platteville. Chief Grabandt took questions from the Council. Alderperson Brian Whisenant requested a roadmap for potential scenarios and decision points. Council President Barb Daus requested that a hard copy of the study be placed in the Public Library.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Parrott, second by Gates to approve the consent agenda as follows: Council Minutes-4/28/2026 Special, 4/28/2026 Regular; Regular Payment of Bills totaling \$1,996,160.79; Appointments to Boards and Commissions: Public Housing Authority-Deb Faherty, Plan Commission- Eileen Nickels, Ciara Miller, Danny Xiao, Police & Fire Commission- Vikki Peterson, Parks, Forestry & Recreation Committee- Debi Sigworth, Kecia King, Commission on Aging- Cathy Rice; Council representative appointments: Daus- License Committee, Platt. Area Ind. Dev. Corp., Water & Sewery Commission, Gates- Board of Appeals- Zoning, ET Zoning Board of Appeals, Library Board, Plan Commission, Whisenant- Airport Commission, Grant County Economic Development, Redevelopment Authority, Water & Sewer Commission, Kopp- Commission on Aging, Grant County Economic Development, Police & Fire Commission, Tourism Committee, McFall- ET Zoning Board of Appeals, Museum Board/Jamison Museum Trust, Parks Forestry & Recreation Committee, Badger- Community Safe Routes Committee, Historic Preservation Commission, License Committee, Water & Sewer Commission, Parrott- Public Housing Authority, ET Zoning Board of Appeals, License Committee, Public Transportation Committee; Two-Year Operator Licenses – Grant Otter, Olivia Pavich; Street Closing- Second Street from Main Street to Furnace Street and Mineral Street from Oak Street to Third Street for Annual Southwest Musical Festival on Saturday July 18th from 8:00 A.M. to Midnight; Banner Permit- July 19 to July 4 for Heritage Day on Saturday, July 4 (Museum). Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS, OBSERVATIONS AND PETITIONS, if any.

Lana Caywood, 185 S. Court Street, spoke for informational purposes regarding the November election contingency plan for Federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents at Platteville polling places. Council President Daus encouraged attendance at the Platteville Memorial Day program on May 25 at 10:00 A.M in the City Hall Auditorium.

REPORTS

A. Board/Commission/Committee Minutes (Council Representative)- Library Board, Public Transportation Committee, Plan Commission

- B. Other Reports- Water and Sewer Financial Report-April, Airport Financial Report-April, Department Progress Update

ACTION

- A. *Loan Extension with Fidelity Bank & Trust and LMN Investments* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll explained the recommendation for loan extension and answered questions from Council. Motion by Gates, second by Parrott, to approve a two-year loan extension with Fidelity Bank & Trust in the amount of \$96,124.82, at a rate of 5.95% and a monthly payment of \$1,037.90, and a corresponding loan extension with LMN Investments for an additional two years at a rate of 6.95%. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.
- B. *Industry Park Land Sale – Lot 47*- Community Development Director Joe Carroll explained the sale. Director Carroll noted that the parcel location is not in TID 9 as originally anticipated, but rather is located in TID 6. Director Carroll explained that the City could amend TID 9 to include this lot since it is adjacent or adjust the purchase price for the Lot so that the seller is still receiving the same amount of incentive. Executive Director of PAIDC, Abby Haas, explained in further detail the process of amending a TID. Interim City Manager Mark Rohloff suggested giving Director Carroll and Haas some latitude by adjusting the verbiage in the affirmative motion. The Council asked staff questions. Motion by Badger, second by Whisenant to approve the sale of a 1.34-acre portion of Lot 47 of Platteville Industry Park #7 for up to \$45,000, subject to a Development Agreement, a Construction Deadline and Repurchase Agreement, and a TIF Assistance Agreement, and approval of an Option to Purchase for the remaining portion of Lot 47. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- A. *Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 of Municipal Code – Remove Second Street from East Pine Street to East Furnace Street from the Unauthorized ATV/UTV Route List* - Police Chief Joshua Grabandt explained that the proposed amendment to Chapter 38 of the City of Platteville Municipal Code would remove Section 38.17(5)(A)3, which currently prohibits ATV/UTV operation on Second Street between East Pine Street and East Furnace Street. The amendment would allow ATV/UTV travel on this segment of roadway and improve overall connectivity within the City’s designated ATV/UTV route system. The change is intended to provide a more direct and practical travel route for operators while maintaining all existing operational and safety requirements contained within the ordinance, including compliance with posted speed limits, licensing requirements, lighting requirements, and all applicable state statutes. Enforcement authority would remain unchanged, and the Police Department would continue to monitor ATV/UTV usage and address any safety concerns as needed. Minimal fiscal impact is anticipated, with only potential minor costs associated with signage updates if determined necessary. Staff recommends Common Council consideration and approval of the proposed ordinance amendment.
- B. *2027 Bus Route Changes and Additional Route* - Director of Public Works Howard Crofoot explained that in August 2024, the City received a letter from Stratton Buses stating that they would not renew their contract for the 2025 year. The reason cited was that the contract value was not sufficient to provide the services requested. At the time, the City and University partnered to provide 4 bus routes. The City scrambled to estimate the hourly cost of service, cut 4 routes to 1, and sent out an RFP for service to begin on January 1, 2025. The low bidder, Davis Bus Lines, had a bid price over 40% higher for 2025 than the price of service in 2024. Staff and University staff, along with selected other individuals, looked into the possibility of increasing hours or routes for 2027. After discussion with the WisDOT staff, these changes would be significant and require a new RFP. The group reviewed routes, solicited input from students, and checked against UW-

Platteville revenue streams. The group recommends that a Saturday route be added for 4 hours per Saturday during the academic year. This is based on the Purple Route of 2024. The group also asked to revise certain bus stops to focus on Downtown. Director Crofoot explained the current bus routes and future bus routes. The budget is neutral for the City. The University pays the entire local match for the Bus transportation. Director Crofoot took questions from Council. Council President Barb Daus requested that staff look into a stop at Farm and Fleet or the new Thrift Shop. Staff recommends a motion to approve the recommendations of the group, including adding a Purple Route for the bus service on Saturdays during the Academic Year from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM; adjusting Bus Stops for the Orange and Purple Routes as presented, and authorize staff to conduct an RFP process in accordance with WisDOT procedures.

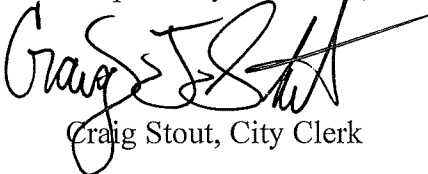
- C. *Comprehensive Plan Update* – Community Development Director Joe Carroll gave an update on the Comprehensive Plan. The Plan Commission reviewed the document at their May 4th meeting and recommended approval of the Plan, with the understanding that the table on page 40 that has an error in the density description for future residential development will be removed. James Schneller, 620 Ridge Ave, spoke for informational purposes. Staff concurs with the Plan Commission and recommends approval of the Comprehensive Plan document with the minor edit identified.

Motion by Badger, second by Kopp, to go into a Closed Session. Motion carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

CLOSED SESSION - per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) – Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – Review of Trail View Development Proposal

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Badger, second by Whisenant to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0 on a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Stout, City Clerk