MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 3, 2026 MEETING
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 3, 2026. Mayor Walter Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Council Members present: Goodell, Sleiter, Dominick, Phillips and Whittlesey.

1. Motion by Dominick, Second by Goodell to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the July 20, 2026 regular Council meeting; 3) the minutes of the July 24, 2026 special Council meeting; 4) the July Investment Report; 5) the July claims. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

John Fey addressed the Council regarding the traffic and parking in front of his house on 12 Street SW. Fred Fridolfson was in attendance to request that 9th Street S. be addressed. Fridolfson also spoke to the deteriorating condition of the fountain at John Brown Park and the stagnant water that pools at the bottom.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by to approve a request from the Humboldt Highschool for a street closure on Sumner Avenue, 2nd Avenue North, and 4th Street North for the 2026 Homecoming Parade. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Dominick to approve a street closure request for Sumner Avenue on September 10, 2026 for the Cy-Hawk Event. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to accept a bid from Goodell Concrete & Construction in the amount of $54,350.00 for Taft Park Sidewalk Extension Project. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey to approve a proposal from Arborpro Tree Service out of Fort Dodge, IA for the FY27 Right-of-Way Tree Removal Project for $199,400.00. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Sleiter to approve the Historical Resource Development Program and Country School Grant (HRDP) with the State Historical Society of Iowa. (4) Ayes. Phillips- Abstain, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Dominick to approve a Consulting Services contract with Spark Consulting and the Humboldt Historic Preservation Commission to complete an architectural survey of downtown Humboldt. . (4) Ayes. Phillips- Abstain, motion carried.

Motion by Dominick, Second by Whittlesey to approve the Interim City Administrator designation for Amy Zeman. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve hiring Gloria Christensen as part-time City Hall staff. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to request the property owner at 609 5th Street N complete a new building permit and submit a request for variance. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to review Chapter 66, Section 03 regarding Load Limits upon Certain Street pertaining to Elmhurst Avenue. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed a request from Oak Hill Christian Academy for No Parking signs. There were questions regarding what the actual route would look like and where the signs would be placed. Further information was requested.

Other items discussed: Goodell – inquired about how the City Administrator search was progressing. Goodell – said he had received a complaint regarding parking on the north side of the 400 block of Sumner. Dominick – asked about the no dumping signs located at the City's compost site.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to schedule Monday August 17, 2026 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and adjourn this session at 6:24 PM. (5) Ayes, motion carried.

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Walter Jensen, Mayor

Attest: _____
Amy L. Zeman, City Clerk