MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 17, 2026 MEETING
OF THE HUMBOLDT CITY COUNCIL

The Humboldt City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 17, 2026 in the Council Chambers of the Humboldt Municipal Building. Mayor Walter Jensen called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Council Members present: Goodell, Sleiter, and Whittlesey. Absent: Dominick and Phillips

1. Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Goodell to approve the following Consent Agenda items: 1) the agenda as printed; 2) the minutes of the August 3rd, 2026 Council meeting; 3) the minutes of the August 10th, 2026 special Council meeting. 4) the minutes of the August 12th, 2026 special Council meeting; 5) the June Treasurers Report; 6) an Ownership Update of a Class E Retail Alcohol License for Casey's Marketing Company, d/b/a Casey's General Store #51. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

A presentation of the Bernie Schwebach Volunteer Award was made to Russ Dugan for his continued volunteerism and dedication to Heinz Field concessions.

Kelsey Olson introduced herself and informed the Council that she would be taking over the Lighted Parade responsibilities. The council will consider the street closure request at the next council meeting.

Ryan Miller of PeopleService, Inc. reviewed the July PeopleService reports. He updated the Council on current and upcoming repairs and maintenance for the water and wastewater treatment systems.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve a street closure request for 4th Street North on September 16, 2026 for the Faith United Methodist Church Annual Turkey Dinner Drive-Up. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the hiring of Police Officer Dario Gamino- Barrientos, effective August 3rd, 2026, at the non-probationary rate of $35.00 per hour. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve the interim city administrator wage for Amy Zeman. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve a quote from Blacktop Service for repairs to the NW retention basin in the Industrial Park. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to approve an Agreement for Maintenance and Repair of Primary Roads in Municipalities with the Iowa Department of Transportation. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Whittlesey to approve a quote from Krug Construction in the amount of $53,850.97 for the construction of a cold storage building at the Street Department. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

The Council discussed options for the City's brush and compost sites. Currently, staff are hauling out three days a week, and the site is running out of space.

Motion by Sleiter, Second by Goodell to approve the following proposed Resolution No. 2026-37: "A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CITY OFFICIALS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO VARIOUS CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS."

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Goodell, Sleiter, and Whittlesey. Motion carried

Motion by Goodell, Second by Whittlesey to approve the first reading of the following proposed Ordinance No. 2026-04: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUMBOLDT, IOWA BY AMENDING CHAPTER 66, SECTION 03, PERTAINING TO LOAD LIMITS UPON CERTAIN STREETS."

Roll call votes: Ayes – Sleiter, and Whittlesey. Motion carried

Motion by Goodell, Second by Sleiter to suspend the rules and waive the second and third reading of the aforementioned ordinance and to direct the City Clerk to publish it as Ordinance No. 2026-04.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Whittlesey, Goodell, and Sleiter. Motion carried

Other Comments: Jensen– mentioned that he had received another request for the council to consider no parking signs for Oak Hill Christian Academy.

Motion by Whittlesey, Second by Goodell to schedule Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 5:30 PM as the date and time for the next regular meeting of the Humboldt City Council and to adjourn this session at 6:03 PM. (3) Ayes, motion carried.

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Walter Jensen, Mayor

Attest: _____
Amy L. Zeman, City Clerk