

Announcement of Meeting
Special City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 10, 2026

5:00 PM

Council Chambers

A. CALL TO ORDER

Present Council Member Caroline Thorson, Council Member Kevin Aaker,
Council Member Marlin Kracht, and Council Member Dan Nath

Excused Council Member Patrick Baustian

Additional Special CC Meeting Jessica Mead, Special CC Meeting Tyler Reisch,
and Special CC Meeting Jill Wolf

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Council Member Aaker, seconded by Council Member Nath,
that the Agenda and Special Orders be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

D. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

Lori Sorenson, David Feilmeier, Brian Meyer and Robert Scott (remote).

E. NEW BUSINESS

E.1. 2026-153 Luverne Municipal Airport Master Plan Request for Qualifications

A motion was made by Council Member Aaker, seconded by
Council Member Nath, that this Motion be approved. The motion
carried by a unanimous vote.

E.2. 24-26 Consideration of Proposed City Charter Amendment Ballot Question

A RESOLUTION FIXING THE FORM OF THE BALLOT FOR AN
ELECTION ON A PETITION TO AMEND CITY CHARTER
CHAPTER 11, PUBLIC OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF
UTILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LUVERNE, MINNESOTA.

City Attorney Robert Scott reviewed the proposed resolution
establishing the ballot question for the November election regarding
the charter amendment citizen petition. He explained that the City
Council is responsible for approving ballot language that fairly
communicates the amendment's essential purpose and presented
two options: a single, self-contained ballot question (Option A) or a
shorter question accompanied by an explanatory summary (Option
B). Council members supported Option A in the proposed
resolution. Discussion focused on how to characterize the proposed

change to city government, with Council expressing support for language describing the amendment as creating "an additional layer of city government." Council members also discussed combining terms to better explain the proposal, ultimately favoring language stating that the charter amendment would establish "a new governing structure with an additional layer of city government" for the City's electric, water, and wastewater utilities. A motion was made by Council Member Nath, seconded by Council Member Kracht, that this Motion be adopted. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

F. OTHER, IF ANY

City Primary Election for South Ward Council Member is tomorrow, August 11 from 7:00 am - 8:00 p.m. at Generations. Generations will continue to be the official polling place for the City of Luverne, it is not a temporary change. City Clerk's Office is always looking for election judges as well. Airport Fly-in is Saturday, August 29. The TNT house is completed and for sale, bids can be submitted to the City Clerk's Office by September 18 at 11:00 a.m.

G. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Nath, seconded by Council Member Aaker, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Jessica Mead, Operations/HR Manager

Caroline Thorson, Acting Mayor