

discussions, it was determined to move forward with a full system update that will migrate us off of End-of-Life phone servers into the new Vertical Summit Platform. The RFP bids came in under budget and staff is recommending approval in order to move forward with this implementation. The project for hardware, implementation, and 5-year maintenance licensing is anticipated to cost \$191, 974.

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy
To approve the Consolidated Fiber Contract Renewal.

SECONDED BY: Jason Fridrich

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

D. Dickinson City Sales Tax – Notice of Election

City Attorney Christina Wenko states the Notice of Election is required by statute. This summarizes the ballot measure presented to the citizens for a vote on June 9, 2026. This will be advertised along with the ordinance and joint powers agreement.

MOTION BY: Robert Baer
To approve the Dickinson City Sales Tax Notice of Election

SECONDED BY: Russ Murphy

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

E. Official Newspaper of the City of Dickinson

Deputy City Administrator Linda Carlson states for the first meeting in May – the city governing board designates the official newspaper per NDCC 40-01-09. The resolution presented would designate the Dickinson Press as its official newspaper of the municipality.

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy
To approve Resolution No. 18-2026.

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

RESOLUTION NO. 18-2026
A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE
OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

F. Local Landmarks – DSU Rock Wall

Museum Director Robert Fuhrman presents a resolution to add Dickinson State University Rock Wall and the KDIX Building to the roster of Dickinson Local Landmarks. Director Fuhrman asks the City Commission to act on the Historic Preservation Commission's recommendations to recognize both the Dickinson State University Rock Wall and the KDIX building as Dickinson Local Landmarks. Director Fuhrman reviews the history of the DSU Rock wall which begin in September, 1940.

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy
To approve Resolution No. 19-2026.

SECONDED BY: Jason Fridrich

RESOLUTION NO: 19 - 2026
A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF
THE DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY ROCK WALL AS A LOCAL
LANDMARK

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1

Motion declared duly passed

G. Local Landmarks – KDIX Building

Museum Director Robert Fuhrman presents to the Commissioners the KDIX radio station, owned by the Dickinson Radio Association, was Dickinson’s first radio station, commencing broadcast operations on May 16, 1947, operating at 250 watts from the second floor of the Liberty National Bank building at 28 1st Avenue West (formerly the Merchants National Bank building, now part of the Dickinson City Hall complex). Construction of the KDIX studio building at 119 2nd Avenue West was begun in 1950 with the studios becoming operational in late January 1951. A warehouse addition, also dated 1951, was attached to the west end of the original structure. The site was selected by L.W. Veigel, a member of the Dickinson Radio Association board who was, at the time, consulting engineer for both the City of Dickinson and Stark County government. The building is constructed of rose-colored brick facing of various hues selected “to harmonize with the (original) surrounding residences.” As constructed it included offices for management and sales staff, a production center, newsroom, control room, music room, two smaller broadcasting studios and a spacious audience studio which could accommodate up to 75 people. The original building has a full basement. A January 1951 clipping noted the building “houses the new \$80,000 studios and offices of Radio Station KDIX, Dickinson.” In 2026 dollars KDIX’s studios would have cost just over \$1 million. Director Fuhrman explains further the history of KDIX.

President Scott Decker states these have neat histories and he remembers when KDIX broadcasted from that building and the two stations

MOTION BY: Robert Baer

SECONDED BY: Jason Fridrich

To approve Resolution No. 20-2026.

RESOLUTION NO: 20 - 2026

**A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF
THE DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY KDIX BUILDING AS A LOCAL
LANDMARK**

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

4. PUBLIC WORKS

A. National Public Works Week Proclamation

President Scott Decker reads the National Public Works Week Proclamation which proclaims May 17-23, 2026 as National Public Works Week. This is the 66th Annual week and visits about the infrastructure, facilities which are very important to the community.

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy

SECONDED BY: Jason Fridrich

To approve National Public Works Week Proclamation

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

President Scott Decker states kudos to all of the public works employees and staff. They have had a good year this year and looking forward to a lot of activity in this area this summer.

B. Cemetery Informational Report

Interim Public Works Director Jacob Waldo updates the Commission and Public in regards to the general guidelines of the car and appearance of the cemeteries. He states Memorial Day displays can be placed on the graves from May 18, 2026 to June 8, 2026. After this

time any remaining flowers or displays will be removed. He states there are signs at the entrances of the cemeteries of the rules.

5. PUBLIC SAFETY

Fire

1. No Report

Police

A. Police Department

1. No Report

6. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

A. Transportation Master Plan Adoption

City Planner Natalie Birchak presents the Transportation Master Plan & Comprehensive update for a second reading. There have been no changes since the first reading and no comments.

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

To approve second reading and final passage of Ordinance 1856.

ORDINANCE NO. 1856

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE DICKINSON 2035: ROADMAP TO THE FUTURE TRANSPORTION MASTER PLAN AS ADOPTED IN 2013 AND ADOPTING A REVISED TRANSPORTION MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

B. Comprehensive Plan Update Adoption

City Planner Natalie Birchak presents the Transportation Master Plan & Comprehensive update for a second reading. There have been no changes since the first reading and no comments.

MOTION BY: Robert Baer

SECONDED BY: Russ Murphy

To approve second reading and final passage of Ordinance 1857.

ORDINANCE NO. 1857

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE LAND USE OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES, AS ORIGINALLY ADOPTED IN THE 2013 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (MASTER PLAN) AND REPLACING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND THE URBAN SERVICE AREA MAP, AS ORIGINALLY ADOPTED IN 2013 IN THE DICKINSON 2035: ROADMAP TO THE FUTURE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (MASTER PLAN) FOR THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

C. Museum Expansion – JE Dunn – Guaranteed Maximum Price

Senior Engineer Kris Keller presents for the Commission consideration is a contract for a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) construction contract with JE Dunn. JE Dunn was selected as a Construction Manager At-Risk (CMAR) for this building project. As such, JE Dunn has provided construction estimates and suggestions to improve the value of the project. He states there were 94 separate bidders with 7 separate re-bids. The proposed project would start May, 2026 with the project substantially complete by July 2027. The GMP for this project is \$6,210,272 and is

as stated, a guaranteed maximum price. This project includes:
Additional Exhibition Space, Additional Laboratory Space, Paleo Storage, Renovation of Dino Exhibition Space, Renovation of Joachim Restroom to ADA, Family Restroom Renovation of Main Entry Restroom with ADA compliance. The City Attorney has reviewed the contract work order. The City Engineering & Museum staff recommend approval.

MOTION BY: Jason Fridrich
To approve the Museum Expansion – JE Dunn – Guaranteed Maximum Price.

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

D. Fire Station 1A – ICON Architect – Contract for Design

Removed from agenda.

E. Monthly Report

Engineer and Community Development Director Joshua Skluzacek presents the monthly report which has been fairly active. There has been 1 of the Gate City Bank revitalization submittal program; 27 total preapplication meetings; building and code enforcement paid/picked up in line with last year and fees are up slightly. Shows lane/street closures on GIS maps. Information on roundabouts sent out in utility billing. Projects in execution – adding museum to next month’s list. Fair number of requests for sidewalk improvements. Request of lot of heavy equipment and a lot of work in the right away in the west side of city, walk dog in a different area.

President Scott Decker states when at any time is the City going to give the Commission a kind of a plan of action. He questions at what point is it going to be one-way guided traffic.

Engineer and Community Development Director Skluzacek building out a two-lane temporary path, limited to one way traffic. Individual times may be closed but should be rare. East business look if you recall that was a time had a lot of one-way traffic and lane traffic control. The intent here are to limit those times on the west side. Load pass should be given instructions already. Traffic control plans within the overall plan for the project. Baler building expansion – may 4th start and anticipate the start in the next two weeks. Good headway on a lot of projects and overall nice to see they are moving towards 100% mark of completed. GIS specialist and tech – working on records drawings, identifying them against existing record drawings. Preparing web services for GIS layer in the new Eagleview cloud explorer platform.

7. PUBLIC HEARING – 5:00 P.M.

A. Dickinson Convention and Visitors Bureau Annual Report

Executive Director Alicia Erickson states the City of Dickinson is expecting a slough of travelers coming through in 2026. She states 2025 was a great year for the CVB. They had hired Macy Wehri. She reviews the events that were happening, marketing big projects and the many people whom visit during their 50 state visits. They have had visitors from all 50 states and 15 countries. They have a new billboard cover and welcome signs to the building and this seems to be attracting more and more visitors. She thanks Bob Fuhrman the Director at the museum for allowing her to be on the board. She also thanks her staff Maci and Shirley Gengler whom is 81 years old and is seasonal help. She is excited for 2026. She states everyone is always welcome at the CVB.

President Scott Decker states it is great to see the Frontier Conference in Dickinson and to set standards on how to conduct a tournament and maybe some days we will get a national event. He thanks Alicia for all she does and to keep up the good work.

A. Public Hearing –Chapter 58 Amendment

Sergeant Justin Fridrich explains the Chapter 58 amendment as it is related to electric bikes. Electric bikes mean a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals, a saddle or seat for the rider, and an electric motor of seven hundred fifty (750) or fewer watts which meets the requirements of one (1) of the following three (3) classes: Class 1 electric bicycle if the motor provides assistance only when the individual is pedaling and the motor ceases to provide assistance when a speed of twenty (20) miles per hour is achieved. Class 2 electric bicycle if the motor is capable of propelling the bicycle without the individual pedaling and the motor ceases to provide assistance when a speed of twenty (20) miles per hour is achieved. Class 3 electric bicycle if the motor provides assistance only when the individual is pedaling and the motor ceases to provide assistance when a speed of twenty-eight (28) miles per hour is achieved. This amendment states no person shall operate a motorized skateboard, motorized scooter or an electric bicycle: (1) On any sidewalk in the City, except for use in crossing such sidewalk by the most direct route to gain access to any public or private road or driveway when operating at a speed 15 miles per hour or more. Any operation under 15 miles per hour is permitted. (2) In any City parking structure or City park, except for use on public roadways or designated community paths or trails within such park; (3) on any public property that has been posted or designed by the owner of such property as an area prohibiting skateboards; (4) On any public roadway consisting of a total of four or more marked traffic lanes, or having an established speed limit of greater than 25 miles per hour; or (5) On any private property of another, or any public property which is not held open to the public for vehicle use, without the written permission of the owner, the person entitled to immediate possession of the property, or the authorized agent of either. Sergeant Fridrich states this is just adding electric bicycles to the existing code.

President Scott Decker states electric motorcycles are a larger hazard on sidewalks as they can have excessive speed and you can't hear them. Would the fine for these be an infraction

Sergeant Justin Fridrich 750 watts or less is considered a bicycle. 750 watts or greater with no pedals are considered a motorcycle and they need to follow those rules.

President Scott Decker opens the public hearing up at 5:26 p.m.

Executive Director of Parks and Rec Ben Rae has been working closely with the City of Dickinson on this ordinance and he feels it is important and is fully supportive of the direction the City is going with these changes.

The public hearing was closed at 5:28 p.m. and the following motion was made.

MOTION BY: Jason Fridrich

SECONDED BY: Robert Baer

To approve first reading of Ordinance 1858

ORDINANCE NO. 1858

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING SECTION 58-1 OF CHAPTER 58, ARTICLE I, SECTION 58-458, 58-459, 58-460, 58-461, ARTICLE XI BICYCLES, OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, NORTH DAKOTA, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, ELECTRIC BICYCLES

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote...Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed

B. Public Hearing – Text Amendment Update to Chapter 2 on City Pension Plans

No Comments.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Russ Murphy

SECONDED BY: Jason Fridrich

Adjournment of the meeting was at 5:50 P.M.

DISPOSITION: Roll call vote... Aye 4, Nay 0, Absent 1
Motion declared duly passed.

OFFICIAL MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Rita Binstock, Assistant to City Administrator

APPROVED BY:

Dustin Dassinger, City Administrator

Scott Decker, President
Board of City Commissioners

Date: May 19, 2026