

**CITY OF MARSHALL
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
M I N U T E S
Monday, August 10, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Marshall was held August 10, 2026, at City Hall, 344 West Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Mayor Robert Byrnes. In addition to Byrnes the following members were in attendance: Craig Schafer, James Lozinski, John Alcorn, See Moua-Leske and Amanda Schroeder. Absent: None. Staff present included: Sharon Hanson; City Administrator; Zac DesAutels, City Attorney (remote); E.J. Moberg, Director of Administrative Services; Lauren Deutz, Economic Development Director; Eric Luther, Liquor Store Manager; and Steven Anderson, City Clerk.

Consider Approval of the Minutes of Meetings Held on July 28th

There were no requests to amend the minutes.

Motion made by Councilmember Schroeder, Seconded by Councilmember Schafer to approve the minutes as presented. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder. The motion **Carried. 6-0.**

Approval of the Consent Agenda

There were no requests to remove an item from the consent agenda for additional discussion.

Motion made by Councilmember Alcorn, Seconded by Councilmember Lozinski to approve the items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder. The motion **Carried. 6-0.**

- Consider Approval of a Temporary Liquor License for the Marshall Area Chamber of Commerce on September 24, 2026
- Consider Approval of the Bills/Project Payments

Ordinance Amending Salaries and Compensation of Mayor and Councilpersons

Per the City Charter salaries were discussed during the first meeting in July. The council voted on a 1.5% increase. Because salary changes cannot take effect until after the next succeeding municipal election (November 2026 and 2028) a change in salaries beginning in 2028 would need to also need to be approved. As such, the ordinance amendment included 1.5% increases for both 2027 and 2028.

Motion made by Councilmember Schafer, Seconded by Councilmember Moua-Leske to adopt Ordinance 26-009 amending Chapter 2-53 Salaries and Compensation of Mayor and Councilpersons and authorize its summary publication. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder. The motion **Carried. 6-0.**

Authorize Ehlers, Inc. as City's Municipal Advisor

The City of Marshall had worked with Baker Tilly as municipal advisor since Baker Tilly purchased Springsted in January 2019. The city had worked with Springsted dating back decades (possibly the 1950s). A municipal advisor is a financial professional who provides guidance to state or local governments, school districts, and public authorities regarding the issuance of municipal bonds. They act in a strict fiduciary capacity, and their core responsibilities include structuring debt, managing sales, market negotiations and managing compliance.

The Ways & Means Committee met to discuss the possibility of switching municipal advisor in July. The Committee unanimously voted to accept the staff recommendation for a change in municipal advisors from Baker Tilly to Ehlers. Since then, staff from Ehlers have assisted the Economic Development Director with some economic development matters. Ehlers has professional services agreements for continuing disclosure and arbitrage services. Some municipalities and/or municipal advisors have formal professional services agreements for debt issuance and economic development work.

Motion made by Councilmember Lozinski, Seconded by Councilmember Schafer to authorize city staff to use Ehlers, Inc. as the City's municipal advisor and to work with legal counsel, as necessary, to review and approve professional service agreements for continuing disclosure and arbitrage services. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder.

Tall Grass Liquor Annual Report

Luther provided the Tall Grass Liquor 2025 annual report to the city council. Highlights of the report included a five-year sales and profit history and a distribution of sales by categories (beer, spirits, THC, wine, & misc.). Beer sales made up 42% of the sales in 2025, however beer made up the smallest profit margin based on sales, with THC being the largest profit generator from all categories. Luther continued by reviewing upcoming trends in the liquor market as well as the store's continued outlook for various events, possible integration using DoorDash or similar type of service in the future and addition of three new merchandiser coolers.

Accept Quote for 3 72" Merchandiser Coolers at Tall Grass Liquor

As Luther had mentioned during the annual report, Tall Grass Liquor would like to make some layout changes near the entrance of the store to include three new merchandiser coolers. The current location that had Pick 6 and non-cold beer suitcases would be utilized to provide customers with more options to try individual containers of products without needing to commit to larger packages. Staff would also be moving two existing coolers and a freezer to fill the wall space with the new coolers.

Motion made by Councilmember Schafer, Seconded by Councilmember Moua-Leske to accept the low quote from Stan Morgan & Associates for three Model TOM-72DZB-N display cases for \$52,740.00 plus tax. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder. The motion **Carried. 6-0.**

Commission/Board Liaison Reports

Byrnes	Redwood One Watershed plan had been approved and would be working towards implementation. The Fire Relief Association met and would like to come before the Ways & Means Committee to ask for a benefit increase.
Alcorn	No report.
Lozinski	No report.
Moua-Leske	Bandshell Committee reviewed results from a public survey and looked at a parking and sun position study to help determine a good orientation of the new bandshell.

Schafer Reviewed pool attendance during the first week of the opening of The Splash Aquatic Park. The park averaged just over 700 attendees a day.

Schroeder No report.

Councilmember Individual Items

Councilmember Lozinski encouraged citizens to vote on August 11th.

Councilmembers Moua-Leske and Alcorn thanked Administrator Hanson for her role in The Splash! Construction project.

Councilmember Schafer noted how well attended National Night Out was.

City Administrator

No report.

Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Updates were given to the following projects: High Street, Susan Drive, and Canoga Park Drive.

City Attorney

No report.

Administrative Brief

There were no questions about the Administrative Brief.

Information Only

There were no questions about the Information Only items.

Upcoming Meetings

There were no questions on the Upcoming Meetings.

Adjournment

At 6:12 PM Motion made by Councilmember Schafer, Seconded by Councilmember Lozinski to adjourn the meeting. Voting Yea: Mayor Byrnes, Councilmember Alcorn, Councilmember Lozinski, Councilmember Moua-Leske, Councilmember Schafer, Councilmember Schroeder. The motion **Carried. 6-0.**

Attest:

City Clerk

Mayor