



WATFORD CITY - CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM

City Hall - Heritage Room, 213 2nd St. NE, Watford City, ND 58854

AGENDA

1. **6:00 Call to Order of Regular Meeting**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Administer Oath of Office**
 - **Mayor Phillip Riely**
 - **Council Member Chelsea Bulzomi**
 - **Council Member Marco Pelton (absent)**
4. **Motion to Accept McKenzie County Canvassing Report**
 - **2026 Primary Official Results**
5. **Elect President of City Council**
6. **Elect Vice President of City Council**
7. **Consider 2-year Appointments and Committee Assignments Recommended by Mayor Riely**
 - **Appointments: 2-year terms (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2028)**
 - **City Council Committee Assignments**
8. **Consider Allowing Marco Pelton to Serve on City Council and Park District**
9. **Approve Agenda**
10. **Public Comment Period**
11. **Approve Minutes**
 - A. 2026-06-01 Regular Meeting
 - 2026-06-17 Special Meeting
12. **New Liquor License Application Public Hearing - Mainstay Suites**
 - **Open Public Hearing**
 - **Close Public Hearing**
 - **Approve/Deny Liquor License Application**
13. **New Liquor License Application Public Hearing - The Watford Hotel**

- **Open Public Hearing**
 - **Close Public Hearing**
 - **Approve/Deny Public Hearing**
14. **Rough Rider Center Update**
 15. **Golf Course Update**
 16. **Police Department Report - Chief Jesse Wellen**
 - A. State Emergency Communication Center (previously State Radio) 2027 - 2029 Rate and MOA
 - B. 2026 - 2027 SRO Annual Agreement
 17. **Planning Commission**
 - A. 2026-06-29 Agenda
2026-06-29 Minutes
 - B. Building Permit Records
 18. **COMMITTEE REPORTS/MINUTES**
 19. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 20. **Cemetery**
 21. **Street, Walks, Lights**
 22. **Ambulance/Fire Department**
 23. **Additions to Agenda**
 24. **CHAIRMAN CHAVEZ COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 25. **Water, Sewer, Garbage**
 - A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-24
 26. **JDA Report**
 27. **Additions to Agenda**
 28. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 29. **Machinery and Equipment**
 30. **Ordinance**
 31. **Golf Course Board**
 32. **LEC Joint Powers Board**
 33. **McKenzie County Planning & Zoning**
 34. **Additions to Agenda**
 35. **CHAIRMAN SUTER COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 36. **Building**
 37. **Additions to Agenda**
 38. **CHAIRMAN DEVLIN COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 39. **Personnel**

- A. July Annual Step Increases: Jonathan Davis 202-4; Jana Ratkovich 100-9; Andrew Schatz 201-10; Andrew Swanson 200-7; Melanie Talley 102-10.
- B. 2026-06-25 Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Policy 101.1 Appointed Public Bodies
 - 2. Recommendation -
 - Wyatt Voll - Category Change (110-5 to 111-3)
- C. City Council Policies and Procedures
 - Policy 101 - Appointment of City Council (Revised)

40. Ways, Means, Finance

- A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-24
 - 1. Recommendation - Creation of Budget Lines for Housing Project Funds
 - 2. Recommendation - Purchase (2) Cooking Performance Group Fryers - \$2,598 (GPT Fund)
 - 3. June GPT Transfers
 - 4. Recommendation -
 - Invest Bond Reserve at BND - 3-month term
 - Invest Interest Earned at LPL Financial - up to 12 months (based on best rate available)
 - 5. June Financials
 - Cash Report
 - Expenditure Report
 - Revenue Report
 - Monthly Transfers

41. Lodging Tax Committee

42. Public Technology

43. Airport

44. Home Rule Charter

45. Wolf Run Village Board

46. Additions to Agenda

47. CHAIRMAN BULZOMI COMMITTEE REPORTS

48. Roughrider Fund

- A. Meeting Minutes 2026-06-29
 - 1. Build Grant Application Submitted by Wolf Pup Daycare - \$20,000/mo from July 2026 - June 2027
 - 2. Build Grant Application Submitted by Watford City Chamber of Commerce (2026 Ribfest) - \$20,000

49. Board of Health

50. Pest/Forestry/Vector

51. Franchise

52. Additions to Agenda

53. STAFF REPORTS

54. Mayor

55. City Administrator

A. Wolf Run Village, Inc - Wolf Pup Preschool Building Lease Renewal Request

B. ICON Architectural Group Invoice 20260139 (Downtown Redevelopment Project)
\$97,537.04

56. Superintendent of Public Works

57. City Engineer

A. Pay Application #1 - Tand Construction (2026 Water Main Replacement Project) —
\$623,175.72

B. Moore Engineering Service Agreement

58. Community Development Department

59. City Attorney

A. Lawsuit Update - Treloar & Burke

1. Motion for Summary Judgment

B. Lawsuit Update - S. Fruchey (Speedy Cab)

60. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution No. 2026 -12 Resolution Deferring Special Assessment Interest 2020 -
2023

61. APPROVAL OF BILLS

62. INFORMATION

A. Theodore Roosevelt Expressway Update

63. ADJOURNMENT