

MINUTES

EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Berge called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Berge, Aaron Brewster, Larry Mboga, Joshua Miller, Nate Otto, Ethan Reed, Jessica Schoen, Clara Serrano and Andrew Werthmann. The following Council Members were absent: Charles Johnson.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on March 24, 2026:

- Adopting the Consent Agenda.
- Approving the Minutes of the Tuesday, March 10, 2026, Council Legislative Session.
- Granting new bartender licenses.
- Granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to Eau Claire Male Chorus, President, Dale Smieja, 3220 Monroe St, on May 2, 2026 for the Eau Claire Male Chorus Spring Concert event.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2026-01, Water Treatment Plant Emergency Generator Addition.
- Awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2026-11, City Wide Milling & Asphalt Paving.
- Granting a petition and waiver for sidewalk construction at various locations
- Accepting a permanent easement from Menard, Inc. within parcels 14-4171 and 14-4172 and release of an easement within parcels 14-4172 and 14-4173.
- Accepting a grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to install a new metering system and chemical system upgrade.
- Adjusting the Boundaries of the Election Wards withing the City of Eau Claire.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Otto and seconded by Council Member Serrano “to adopt the consent resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

PROCLAMATIONS

Council President Berge, on behalf of the City Council, read a proclamation declaring April as Hmong Heritage Month in the City of Eau Claire and urge all citizens to reflect on the sacrifices the Hmong people have made for our country and join us in honoring and celebrating this rich culture and the legacies of Hmong Americans to our community, our state, and our nation.

Council President Berge, on behalf of the City Council, read a proclamation declaring the week of April 6, 2026 , to be National Public Health Week and call upon the people of Eau Claire to observe this week by helping our families, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and leaders by working to understand the value of public health better to create a healthy and thriving community for us all.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Council Member Johnson joined the meeting.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing 2025 year-end budget adjustments, 2025 to 2026 year-end budget carryovers, and 2026 first quarter budget adjustments. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Johnson and seconded by Council Member Brewster “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the Community Services Department to accept a monetary donation from Joining Our Neighbors Advancing Hope (JONAH) to sponsor free rides on Election Day, Tuesday, April 7, 2026. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the community services department to accept a monetary donation of \$300 from the Local ATU 1310 for free transit rides on the day of Earth Fest (April 18th, 2026). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Schoen “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

The City Council had first reading of an ordinance to amending Specific Sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eau Claire Title 17 Land Development, Official Zoning Map and Title 19 Stormwater

WORK SESSION

Following the Legislative session, the Council convened in the Council Chambers for a Work Session on the 2027 Budget Development Process.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Time: 4:33 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Emily K. Berge
Council President

/s/ Nicholas L. Koerner
City Clerk