

City Council Special Meeting Minutes – January 7, 2026.

Call to Order: Mayor Sally Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.

Present: Mayor Rodriguez, Council Members, Sean Roman, Jesse Leonard, Rachel Teel-Vanderpool, Mary Moore, Police Chief TJ Behning, and the City Clerk.

Applicant 1 – Did not request a closed meeting. The applicant was asked the interview questions.

Applicant 2 - Requested a closed meeting. T. Adams motioned to go into a closed meeting at 5:22 pm pursuant to Iowa Code § 21.5(1)(j) (to discuss the employment of an individual being considered for hiring), with S. Roman seconded, carried unanimously.

Applicant 2 was asked the interview questions.

T. Adams motioned to come out of closed meeting at 5:43 pm, with S. Roman seconded, carried unanimously.

Applicant 3 - Requested a closed meeting pursuant to Iowa Code § 21.5(1)(j) (to discuss the employment of an individual being considered for hiring). T. Adams motioned to go into a closed meeting at 5:44 pm, with R. Teel-Vanderpool seconded, carried unanimously.

Applicant 3 was asked the interview questions.

T. Adams motioned to come out of closed meeting at 5:55 pm, with R. Teel-Vanderpool seconded, carried unanimously.

The council and Chief Behning discussed the applicants and their skills.

S. Roman motioned to have Chief Behning complete all the background checks and provide that information to the council, M. Moore seconded, carried unanimously.

M. Moore motioned to adjourn at 6:34 pm. T. Adams seconded, carried unanimously.

Mary Moore

Pro Tem Mary Moore

Tanna Leonard

City Clerk Tanna Leonard