Special City Council Meeting
September 9, 2026 @ 12:00 pm
Cordova Center Community Rooms
Minutes

A. Call to order – ***Mayor Kristin Smith*** called the Special Council Meeting to order at 12:00 pm on September 9, 2026, in the Cordova Center Community Rooms.

B. Roll call - Present for roll call were ***Mayor Kristin Smith*** and Council members ***Aaron Hansen***, ***Wendy Ranney***, and ***Dave Zastrow***. Council member ***Lee Collins*** was present via zoom videoconference. Council members ***Debra Adams***, ***Kasey Kinsman*** and ***Mike Mickelson*** were absent. Also present were City Manager ***Sam Greenwood*** and Deputy City Clerk ***Colette Gilmour***.

C. Approval of agenda
Hearing no objection, Mayor Smith declared the agenda approved as presented.

D. Disclosures of conflicts of interest and Ex Parte Communications – none

E. Communications by and petitions from visitors
1. Audience Comments regarding agenda items
Aaron Sayles of 600 Adams Ave. opined that cattle guards will not stop bears, they are made exclusively for hoofed animals.

F. New Business
2. Council award of RFP PW-26-02 Cordova 17-Mile Landfill Bear and Litter Fence
M/Ranney S/Zastrow to direct the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Cordova Powersports LLC, to provide the construction services outlined in RFP PW-26-02, for a sum not to exceed Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars ($870,000).
Ranney said we need to get moving on this, we have a safety issue and she doesn't know much about cattle guards but she'd like to see this move forward. ***Zastrow*** agreed this needs to move forward and hopefully details during the negotiation with the City Manager will be discussed and worked out. ***Greenwood*** assured Council this has been looked into, cattle guards are being used elsewhere as bear deterrents. ***Zastrow*** asked about a timeframe. ***Greenwood*** said we will finalize the details of the contract this week and then he can get started ordering long-lead items, it will all come down to getting materials onsite.
Vote on the motion: 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 absent. Adams-absent; Hansen-yes; Kinsman-absent; Mickelson-absent; Zastrow-yes; Ranney-yes; and Collins-yes. Motion was approved.

G. Audience participation – none

H. Executive Session - none

J. Adjournment
Hearing no objection, ***Mayor Smith*** adjourned the meeting at 12:09 pm.

Approved: November 18, 2026

Attest: _____
Susan Bourgeois, CMC, City Clerk

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