

**REGULAR MEETING**  
**CITY OF ROSWELL COUNCIL - AGENDA**  
**Chaves County Administrative Center**  
**Commission Chambers - #1 St. Mary's Place**  
**Roswell, New Mexico 88203**  
**Thursday, August 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**

Notice of this meeting has been given to the public in compliance with Sections 10-15-1 through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978 and Resolution No. 26-12.

The meeting convened at 6:00 P.M. with Mayor Jennings presiding:

**ROLL CALL:**

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| Will Cavin          | Present       |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Present       |
| Robert Corn         | Present       |
| Darrell Johnson     | Present       |
| Ed Heldenbrand      | <b>Absent</b> |
| Juan Oropesa        | Present       |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Present       |
| Angela Moore        | <b>Absent</b> |
| Kurt Gass           | Present       |
| Cristina Arnold     | Present       |

Councilor Marrujo led in prayer, and Councilor Johnson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**FOR THE RECORD:** Councilor Heldenbrand attempted to attend the meeting remotely via GoTo. Due to technical difficulties with the connection, he was unable to join the meeting and did not participate in any discussions or actions taken by the Council.

1. Approval of agenda - approve the agenda for the August 13, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved to approve the agenda for the August 13, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting, with the following amendments:

- Remove Item No. 3, Item No. 11, and Item No. 15 from the Consent Agenda; and
- Place those items on the Regular Agenda immediately before Item No. 28.

Councilor Cavin seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | Yes |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |
| Kurt Gass           | Yes |
| Cristina Arnold     | Yes |

**MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED: 8-0**

2. Approval of consent agenda - approve the consent agenda for the August 13, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved to approve the consent agenda for the August 13, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting. Councilor Arnold seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | Yes |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |
| Kurt Gass           | Yes |
| Cristina Arnold     | Yes |

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

**CONSENT ITEMS** (Items 3 through 21 will be considered and approved as part of the Consent Agenda. Items 3, 11, and 15 have been removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under the Regular Agenda.)

4. Ordinance 26-08: Authorize to advertise for a public hearing to consider adopting proposed Ordinance 26-08 amending fines and penalties through the City of Roswell Code of Ordinances.

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2 5. Approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$241,869.40 to both revenue and expense  
3 for Fine Arts Insurance Claim proceeds and the conservation of flood-damaged museum  
4 collection items.

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6 6. Approval of a budget adjustment in the amount of \$48,000.00 to establish funding for the Top  
7 Flight Tavern.

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9 **Resolution(s)**

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11 7. Resolution 26-45: Approval of Resolution 26-45: Participation in FY 2027 LGRF NMDOT  
12 funding program.

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14 8. Resolution 26-46 Weeds - The Resolution shall mandate the cleanup of approximately twenty  
15 (20) separate properties within the City.

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17 9. Resolution 26-47 Condemnations - adoption of Resolution 26-47 the Resolution shall require  
18 the removal or demolition of two (2) dilapidated structures.

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20 10. Resolution 26-48: Adoption of Resolution 26-48: Certification of correctness of the physical  
21 inventory of assets for FY2026.

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23 12. Resolution 26-50: Adoption of Resolution 26-50: Approving the determination of  
24 uncollectible accounts and authorizing the write-off and removal of those accounts from the  
25 City's Accounts Receivable records in the amount of \$51,749.37.

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27 **Lodgers' Tax Request**

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29 13. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for the Crash and Clash Youth Wrestling  
30 Tournament for Marketing, Sanitation, and Security, and open negotiations with the City of  
31 Roswell for sponsorship.

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33 14. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for the National Championship Air Races of  
34 \$300,000 for sponsorship, as stated in the MOU for their 2027 event.

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36 16. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for Pinata Fest Marketing, Sanitation, and  
37 Security, and open negotiations with the City of Roswell for sponsorship  
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17. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for Eastern New Mexico State Fair Marketing, Sanitation, and Security, and open negotiations with the City of Roswell for sponsorship.

18. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for Roswell Symphony Orchestra for Marketing, Sanitation and Security and open negotiations with the City of Roswell for sponsorship.

19. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for Rio Pecos Kennel Club Marketing, Sanitation and Security.

## **Minutes**

20. Approval of the minutes from the Regular City Council meeting on July 9, 2026.

21. Approval of the minutes from the Special City Council meeting on July 23, 2026.

## **NON-ACTION ITEMS (Information Items)**

22. Air Race Updates (Fred Telling)- Mr. Fred Telling provided an update on preparations for the upcoming Air Races. Appreciation was extended to city staff, including Airport personnel and Public Works crews, for their extensive efforts to improve race facilities, address drainage issues, and complete infrastructure projects. Approximately 85 to 88 racers are currently registered, and ticket sales continue to improve. Vendor participation has increased significantly from the previous year, and the number of aircraft exhibitors has grown from one to five. Ongoing coordination with commercial airlines is taking place to address flight scheduling conflicts that could impact Thunderbird performances. The emergency runway is nearly complete and has been well received by race participants. Safety improvements at the airport, including the burial of power lines and the development of additional emergency landing options, were highlighted, and appreciation was expressed for the City's continued partnership and support in making the event possible.

23. Airport Updates (Omar Gonzalez)- Omar Gonzalez provided an update on airport operations, passenger activity, and ongoing improvement projects. July passenger enplanements totaled 1,756 on SkyWest flights, while American Airlines served 4,645 passengers during the month. The Top Flight Tavern reported July sales of \$13,847. Airport improvement projects continue to progress, including construction of the BLM taxiway, where several cracked concrete panels were identified and will be replaced before work proceeds. Staff also reported that drainage improvements are being completed to accommodate the increased number of aircraft expected for the Air Races and to address standing water issues that create safety concerns for both aircraft

1 and wildlife. Additional RV accommodations are being installed, including new sewer hookups  
2 that will provide full-service RV spaces with water, sewer, and electricity.

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4 24. Commission on Aging (Chair: Dorothy Hellums)- Commission on Aging Chair Dorothy  
5 Hellums provided an overview of the Commission's activities and responsibilities. She reported  
6 that the Commission meets every other month at the Senior Circle and serves as a forum for  
7 addressing issues affecting senior citizens and sharing community resources. The Commission  
8 regularly hosts guest speakers from local organizations and agencies that provide services and  
9 support to seniors, including the Joy Center, United Way, Department of Health, Veterans  
10 Association, and City administration. Ms. Hellums highlighted the Commission's bilingual senior  
11 information flyers, which are distributed throughout the community and delivered through  
12 programs such as Meals on Wheels. She noted that the Commission has successfully assisted  
13 with addressing concerns brought forward by citizens and encouraged greater participation from  
14 City Council by requesting the appointment of a Council representative to attend meetings and  
15 serve as a liaison. The next Commission on Aging meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2026.  
16 No action was taken.

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18 25. Solid Waste / Landfill Update (Abraham Chaparro)- Abraham Chaparro provided an update  
19 on several ongoing initiatives at the landfill. Staff reported that the city is beginning the process  
20 to renew the landfill operating permit for an additional 20 years, a comprehensive effort that is  
21 expected to take approximately one year to complete. Updates were also provided on plans for a  
22 future transfer station and enclosed tipping floor facility, which would improve operational  
23 efficiency, enhance safety, provide additional waste processing capabilities, and create  
24 opportunities for future recycling operations. Staff noted that engineering and design work is  
25 underway to develop construction plans, project cost estimates, and operational layouts. In  
26 addition, a new front-load refuse collection truck and containers have been acquired to improve  
27 commercial waste collection services. The new equipment is expected to increase efficiency,  
28 reduce safety risks to employees, and allow commercial collections to be performed by a single  
29 operator. Staff also discussed ongoing efforts to address illegal dumping through public  
30 education, outreach, and enforcement of existing ordinances. Council discussion followed  
31 regarding operational efficiency, safety measures, and service improvements. No action was  
32 taken.

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34 **REAL TIME CRIME CENTER UPDATE:** Michael Fry provided an overview of the Real-  
35 Time Crime Center (RTCC), Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) system, and drone  
36 program. Staff explained that the RTCC is designed to improve officer and public safety, enhance  
37 crime-solving capabilities, and provide officers with real-time information during calls for  
38 service. The ALPR system, funded through a state grant approved by the City Council, was  
39 recently installed and is used as an investigative tool to help locate stolen vehicles, missing  
40 persons, and develop leads in criminal investigations. Staff emphasized that the system does not

1 utilize facial recognition, record conversations, access personal devices, predict criminal activity,  
2 or monitor individuals inside vehicles. Data is retained for 30 days unless needed as evidence,  
3 and all searches require an active case number and are subject to audits. Staff also discussed the  
4 department's integrated technology platform, which consolidates ALPRs, traffic cameras, body  
5 camera feeds, and other city-owned camera systems into a single interface. Information was  
6 provided regarding the voluntary camera registration program available to businesses and  
7 residents to assist law enforcement during investigations.

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9 Staff also reported on the department's drone program, which is used to provide aerial support  
10 during active calls for service, improve officer safety, and assist with locating suspects and  
11 gathering evidence. The drones are operated by trained personnel in compliance with Federal  
12 Aviation Administration regulations and are deployed only in response to specific incidents  
13 rather than for routine surveillance.

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15 **FOR THE RECORD:** Councilor Arnold stepped away from 6:56 P.M – 7:00 P.M

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17 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Adam  
18 Michaels addressed the Council regarding community appearance, economic development  
19 opportunities, recreational amenities, and quality-of-life concerns. Bernadette Luna expressed  
20 support for the Real-Time Crime Center and related technology, citing its potential benefits in  
21 assisting law enforcement investigations and enhancing public safety. James Edwards and  
22 Veronica Muñoz provided information on upcoming community events, including activities  
23 hosted by Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell and a recognition event honoring Roswell's  
24 Little League World Series championship team. Richard Sweet addressed the Council regarding  
25 concerns about the implementation of automatic license plate readers (ALPRs), citing privacy,  
26 civil liberties, and government overreach concerns. Sarah MacArthur requested increased  
27 transparency regarding the ALPR program and the proposed gross receipts tax initiative. Cody  
28 Keith spoke in opposition to the ALPR system, expressing concerns regarding the technology's  
29 reliability, accuracy, and future capabilities. Jeffrey Cabana opposed the ALPR program and  
30 expressed concerns regarding surveillance technology and the proposed gross receipts tax  
31 increase. Christian Emily voiced opposition to the ALPR system, citing concerns about privacy,  
32 government monitoring, and City spending priorities. Brian Davis also expressed concerns  
33 regarding surveillance technology, individual privacy, and personal liberties.

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35 **FOR THE RECORD:** There was a 14-minute break from 7:50 P.M until 8:04 P.M

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37 **PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

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39 26. Public Hearing: Hold a public hearing to approve the transfer of ownership to CATTLE  
40 BARON RESTAURANTS, INC. for the following Inter-Local Dispenser Liquor Licenses within

1 the City of Roswell: License No. DIS-001082 with on-premises consumption and patio service  
2 for PASTA CAFÉ, located at 1208 North Main Street; License No. DIS-001209 with on-  
3 premises consumption and no patio service for CATTLE BARON STEAK AND SEAFOOD  
4 RESTAURANT, located at 1113 North Main Street; and License No. DIS-001124 with on  
5 premises consumption and patio service for FARLEY'S FOOD, FUN & PUB, located at 1315  
6 North Main Street, as recommended by the New Mexico Alcoholic Beverage Control Division

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8 **BACKGROUND:** Under NMSA 1978 § 60-6B-4, the governing body is required to conduct a  
9 public hearing on the application and must, by roll call vote, approve or disapprove the requested  
10 application. The hearing is quasi-judicial in nature and must be conducted accordingly. In  
11 considering whether to approve or disapprove the application, the governing body may only  
12 disapprove of the application if it finds substantial evidence to support one of the following:

- 13 • The proposed location is within an area where the laws of New Mexico prohibit the sale  
14 of alcoholic beverages; or
- 15 • The issuance or transfer would be in violation of zoning or other ordinance of the  
16 governing body; or
- 17 • The issuance or transfer of a license would be detrimental to the public health, safety, or  
18 morals of the residents of the local option district. The governing body is required to  
19 notify the Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the New Mexico Regulation  
20 and Licensing Department within thirty (30) days of the public hearing whether it has  
21 approved or disapproved the application. The City Clerk does this.

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23 **MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved to hold a public hearing to approve the transfer of  
24 ownership to CATTLE BARON RESTAURANTS, INC. for the following Inter-Local Dispenser  
25 Liquor Licenses within the City of Roswell: License No. DIS-001082 with on-premises  
26 consumption and patio service for PASTA CAFÉ, located at 1208 North Main Street; License  
27 No. DIS-001209 with on-premises consumption and no patio service for CATTLE BARON  
28 STEAK AND SEAFOOD RESTAURANT, located at 1113 North Main Street; and License No.  
29 DIS-001124 with on premises consumption and patio service for FARLEY'S FOOD, FUN &  
30 PUB, located at 1315 North Main Street, as recommended by the New Mexico Alcoholic  
31 Beverage Control Division. Councilor Arnold seconded the motion.

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33 **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| 35 | Will Cavin          | Yes |
| 36 | Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| 37 | Robert Corn         | Yes |
| 38 | Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| 39 | Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| 40 | Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |

Kurt Gass Yes  
Cristina Arnold Yes

**MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

27. Public hearing: Hold a public hearing to approve Application No. BLA-0000020512 for a Beer Wholesaler Liquor License for Black Cock, LLC d/b/a Black Cock Brewery, located at 1719 SE Main Street, Roswell, NM 88203

**BACKGROUND:** Under NMSA 1978 § 60-6B-4, the governing body is required to conduct a public hearing on the application and must, by roll call vote, approve or disapprove the requested application. The hearing is quasi-judicial in nature and must be conducted accordingly.

Black Cock, LLC d/b/a/ Black Cock Brewery, Application No. BLA0000020512, located at 1719 SE Main Street, Roswell, NM 88203, has applied for a beer wholesaler liquor license. In considering whether to approve or disapprove the application, the governing body may only disapprove of the application if it finds substantial evidence to support one of the following:

- The proposed location is within an area where the laws of New Mexico prohibit the sale of alcoholic beverages; or
- The issuance or transfer would be in violation of zoning or other ordinance of the governing body; or
- The issuance or transfer of a license would be detrimental to the public health, safety, or morals of the residents of the local option district. The governing body is required to notify the Director of the Alcohol and Gaming Division of the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department within thirty (30) days of the public hearing whether it has approved or disapproved the application. The City Clerk does this.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved hold a public hearing to approve Application No. BLA-0000020512 for a Beer Wholesaler Liquor License for Black Cock, LLC d/b/a Black Cock Brewery, located at 1719 SE Main Street, Roswell, NM 88203. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

Will Cavin Yes  
Carlos Marrujo, Jr. Yes  
Robert Corn Yes  
Darrell Johnson Yes  
Juan Oropesa Yes  
Juliana Halvorson Yes

1 Kurt Gass Yes  
2 Cristina Arnold Yes

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4 **MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

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6 **FOR THE RECORD:** Due to time constraints affecting certain individuals listed on the agenda,  
7 the agenda items were heard in the following order: Item No. 28, Item No. 3, Item No. 15, Item  
8 No. 11, Item No. 29, and Item No. 30.

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10 **NEW BUSINESS / REGULAR ITEMS**

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12 28. Approval of Mayor Jennings's nomination for the Roswell City Council Ward 2 vacancy.

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14 **BACKGROUND:** Councilor Will Cavin resigned from the Roswell City Council, effective at  
15 5:00 pm on Friday, August 14, 2026.

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17 Section 3-12-1 NMSA 1978 Vacancy on governing body; appointment; procedures.

- 18 • (A). A vacancy on the governing body of a mayor-council municipality shall be filled by  
19 appointment of a qualified elector by the mayor of the municipality, with the advice, the  
20 consent and a majority vote of the members of the governing body that are present;  
21 provided that the governing body shall vote at the next meeting immediately following  
22 the vacancy to fill the vacancy if the vacancy has not been filled within fifteen days after  
23 the vacancy occurred; and provided further that so long as the vacancy remains unfilled,  
24 the item shall be included on each subsequent governing body meeting agenda until the  
25 vacancy is filled.
- 26 • (B). A qualified elector appointed to fill a vacancy on the governing body shall serve until  
27 the next regular local election or municipal officer election, whichever is applicable, at  
28 which time a qualified elector shall be elected to fill the remaining unexpired term, if any.

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30 **MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved for the approval of Mayor Jennings' nomination for the  
31 Roswell City Council Ward 2 vacancy to be filled by Riley A. Armstrong. Councilor Cavin  
32 seconded the motion.

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34 **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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36 Will Cavin Yes  
37 Carlos Marrujo, Jr. Yes  
38 Robert Corn Yes  
39 Darrell Johnson Yes  
40 Juan Oropesa Yes

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| 1 | Juliana Halvorson | Yes |
| 2 | Kurt Gass         | Yes |
| 3 | Cristina Arnold   | Yes |

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5 **MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

6 3. Ordinance 26-04: Authorize to advertise for a public hearing to consider adopting proposed  
7 Ordinance 26-04: An Ordinance Amending the City of Roswell's Purchasing Procedures.

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9 **BACKGROUND:** The original proposed ordinance by Councilor Heldenbrand sought to clarify  
10 what procurements and contracts need to be presented to the council, when, and how the City  
11 manager may promulgate policies and procedures. Since the initial drafting of the proposed  
12 ordinance, the city hired an Internal Auditor. As part of her services, the auditor shall  
13 "[c]ommunicate with City Leadership, including the City Manager, the Mayor, the Finance and  
14 Audit Committee, any identified deficiencies and weaknesses, and make recommendations for  
15 improvements on a regular basis." At the February Governing Body meeting, at the request of the  
16 City Manager, this proposed ordinance was referred by the Governing Body to the Legal  
17 Committee for consideration in light of the Internal Auditor's suggestions. The Internal Auditor's  
18 initial report to the Audit Committee is in draft, but due to the timing and subject matter of the  
19 proposed ordinance, the City Manager placed the suggestions before the legal committee.

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21 **MOTION:** Councilor Gass moved to authorize the advertisement of a public hearing to consider  
22 adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 26-04, an ordinance amending the City of Roswell's  
23 Purchasing Procedures. Mayor Pro Tem Corn seconded the motion.

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25 **DISCUSSION:** The City Council discussed proposed Ordinance No. 26-04, which would  
26 require City Council approval for certain expenditures and contracts exceeding \$125,000. City  
27 Manager Yntema strongly recommended against the ordinance, stating that it would not increase  
28 transparency, improve procurement compliance, or reduce audit findings. He explained that  
29 expenditures are already approved through the annual budget process and subject to multiple  
30 layers of review, including departmental, finance, procurement, legal, and administrative  
31 oversight. He further stated that the ordinance would create a duplicative approval process, delay  
32 purchases, increase costs, and hinder efficient city operations. He also noted that transparency is  
33 being enhanced through the City's online expenditure reporting system and explained that  
34 procurement processes already include competitive bidding requirements, legal review, and  
35 financial oversight.

36 Councilor Arnold expressed concerns regarding the ordinance's development and  
37 implementation, including questions about previous purchasing thresholds, auditor  
38 recommendations, and whether the matter should be reconsidered when a new City Manager is  
39 hired. Councilor Halvorson stated that expenditures approved through the budget process should  
40 be administered by staff without additional Council approval and expressed concern about

creating unnecessary delays. Councilor Cavin and Mayor Jennings also voiced concerns that the ordinance would duplicate existing oversight, slow procurement, and interfere with the council-manager form of government. Councilor Gass and Mayor Pro Tem Corn supported moving the ordinance forward, stating that additional Council review would provide greater accountability and oversight of large expenditures. Councilor Johnson also supported advertising the ordinance for public hearing, noting that doing so would allow for additional public discussion and future amendments if necessary. Following extensive discussion, the Council voted on the motion to advertise the ordinance for a future public hearing.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | No  |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | No  |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | No  |
| Juliana Halvorson   | No  |
| Kurt Gass           | Yes |
| Cristina Arnold     | No  |

**NOTE:** Councilor Arnold voted “no with explanation,” stating that, based on comments received from both sides of the issue, she believed there was conflicting information and confusion surrounding the matter. She expressed the opinion that it would be best to allow the issue to rest for the time being and revisit it at a later date if necessary.

**MOTION FAILED: 3-5**

**15. Approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for the Nancy Lopez Legacy Celebration for sponsorship.**

**BACKGROUND:** The Nancy Lopez Legacy Celebration is a four-day community event honoring Roswell native Nancy Lopez, one of the most accomplished golfers in LPGA history and a trailblazer for women and Hispanic athletes. The celebration commemorates her remarkable career and lifelong contributions to the sport of golf while recognizing her lasting connection to the Roswell community. The event will feature the following:

- Sept 2: Welcoming Reception for honored guests
- Sept 3: Dedication of the Nancy Lopez Bypass, a free youth golf clinic
- Sept 4: The official dedication of Nancy Lopez Elementary School, the recognition of Roswell's professional women golfers,
- Sept 5: the dedication of the City Golf Course in her honor, a golf tournament and a community

1 reception. These activities are designed to celebrate Roswell's heritage, inspire future  
2 generations, and attract visitors from across New Mexico and the Southwest. By honoring one of  
3 Roswell's most distinguished citizens, the event will generate regional interest, encourage  
4 overnight visitation, and showcase Roswell as a destination that celebrates excellence. History:  
5 1st time event.

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7 **MOTION:** Councilor Gass moved for the approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for the  
8 Nancy Lopez Legacy Celebration for sponsorship. Councilor Marrujo seconded the motion.

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10 **DISCUSSION:** Diane Taylor addressed the Council and requested lodgers tax funding for the  
11 Nancy Lopez Legacy Celebration. Ms. Taylor described the event as a historic celebration  
12 recognizing Nancy Lopez's accomplishments as the first Hispanic female golfer to achieve  
13 international prominence and her impact on women's athletics. She explained that former  
14 teammates, media representatives, and visitors from across the country were expected to attend  
15 the three-day event and stated that the celebration would promote Roswell and support local  
16 youth golf programs.  
17 Councilor Will Cavin, who had pulled the item from the consent agenda, expressed support for  
18 the event and highlighted its historical significance, anticipated tourism impact, and media  
19 exposure for the community. He noted that the Occupancy Tax Board and Finance Committee  
20 had recommended funding in the amount of \$10,000 and proposed an amendment to increase the  
21 sponsorship to \$20,000, citing the event's one-time nature and economic benefits. Councilor  
22 Juliana Halvorson seconded the amendment. Councilor Gass spoke in opposition to increasing  
23 the funding amount, stating that the Occupancy Tax Board and staff recommendations should be  
24 given significant consideration and noting that the Finance Committee had already increased the  
25 staff recommendation from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

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27 **MOTION TO AMEND:** Councilor Cavin moved to increases funding from \$10,000 to \$20,000.  
28 Councilor Halvorson seconded the motion.

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30 **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| 32 | Will Cavin          | Yes |
| 33 | Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| 34 | Robert Corn         | Yes |
| 35 | Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| 36 | Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| 37 | Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |
| 38 | Kurt Gass           | No  |
| 39 | Cristina Arnold     | Yes |
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**MOTION PASSED: 7-1**

**ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED:** Councilor Gass moved for the approval of the Lodgers' Tax Funding Request for the Nancy Lopez Legacy Celebration for sponsorship as amended. Councilor Marrujo seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | Yes |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |
| Kurt Gass           | No  |
| Cristina Arnold     | Yes |

**MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED: 7-1**

11. Resolution 26-49: Adoption of Resolution 26-49: Approving a budget adjustment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027.

**BACKGROUND:** The New Mexico Department of Finance Administration (DFA) requires governing body approval for any budget adjustment that increases or decreases revenue or expenditures in the approved budget. The finance department is requesting approval of budget adjustments, as summarized in Exhibit "A", to align the City's FY2026-2027 budget with current funding allocations. These adjustments include updates to various grants, transfers, and departmental budgets.

**MOTION:** Councilor Gass moved to adopt Resolution No. 26-49 approving a budget adjustment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. Councilor Cavin seconded the motion.

**MOTION TO AMEND:** Councilor Halvorson moved to amend Resolution No. 26-49 to add \$45,000 from the Recreation Fund for pool chlorine expenses, Org/Object Code No. 26154242-725601. Councilor Cavin seconded the motion.

**VOTE ON AMENDMENT:** A voice vote was taken

**MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED: 8-0**

**ORIGINAL MOTION AS AMENDED:** Councilor Gass moved to adopt Resolution No. 26-49, as amended, approving a budget adjustment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. Councilor Cavin seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | Yes |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |
| Kurt Gass           | Yes |
| Cristina Arnold     | Yes |

**MOTION PASSED AS AMENDED: 8-0**

**Closed Session**

29. Hold a closed session - pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1(H)(7), to discuss attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant and NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1(H)(5), to discuss attorney-client privileged communication relating to Union Negotiations, in which the City of Roswell is or may become a participant.

**MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved to enter closed session at 9:41 P.M. pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1(H)(7), to discuss attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant and NMSA 1978, § 10-15-1(H)(5), to discuss attorney-client privileged communication relating to Union Negotiations, in which the City of Roswell is or may become a participant. Councilor Marrujo seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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| Will Cavin          | Yes |
| Carlos Marrujo, Jr. | Yes |
| Robert Corn         | Yes |
| Darrell Johnson     | Yes |
| Juan Oropesa        | Yes |
| Juliana Halvorson   | Yes |

1 Kurt Gass Yes  
2 Cristina Arnold Yes  
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4 **MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

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6 **MOTION:** Mayor Pro Tem Corn moved to reconvene the open meeting at 10:05 P.M. and  
7 certify for the record that no decisions were made and no votes were taken during the closed  
8 session. Councilor Johnson seconded the motion.  
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10 **ROLL CALL VOTE:**

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12 Will Cavin Yes  
13 Carlos Marrujo, Jr. Yes  
14 Robert Corn Yes  
15 Darrell Johnson Yes  
16 Juan Oropesa Yes  
17 Juliana Halvorson Yes  
18 Kurt Gass Yes  
19 Cristina Arnold Yes  
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21 **MOTION PASSED: 8-0**

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23 **COUNCILOR COMMENTS (Information Only)**

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25 **CITY MANAGER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS (Information Only)**

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27 30. Employee Out-of-State Travel (Information Only)  
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29 **Adjournment**

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31 The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 P.M.

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33 Approved on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2026.  
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40 Timothy Z. Jennings, Mayor

1 Amalia Martinez, City Clerk  
2 Clerk

Prepared by: Angela Garcia, Deputy City

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