

**AGENDA
REGULAR SESSION
HIGHLAND CITY COUNCIL
HIGHLAND CITY HALL
1115 BROADWAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026
6:30 PM**

NOTE: This is an in person meeting. However, anyone wishing to monitor the meeting via phone may do so by following the instructions on page 3 of this agenda.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM:

City Clerk Barbara Bellm will ask for a motion to elect one councilperson to serve as Mayor Pro Tem during the temporary absence of Mayor Hemann. The Mayor Pro Tem shall perform the duties and possess all the rights and powers of the Mayor and shall vote in his/her capacity as councilperson only.

MINUTES:

- A. **MOTION** – Approve Minutes of September 8, 2026 Regular Session
- B. **MOTION** – Approve Minutes of September 8, 2026 Executive Session
- C. **MOTION** – Approve Minutes of September 17, 2026 Special Session
- D. **MOTION** – Approve Minutes of September 17, 2026 Executive Session

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Pro Tem will read a document proclaiming the week of September 17 through 23, 2026 as Constitution Week.

PUBLIC FORUM:

- A. Citizens' Requests and Comments:
 - 1. St. Paul Catholic School Fall Festival – Special Event Application – Stephanie Kuhn, Principal (attached)
 - 2. Highland Music School Cello Performance – Special Event Application – Angelina McLaughlin-Heil, Representative (attached)

Anyone wishing to address the Council on any subject may do so at this time. Please come forward to the podium and state your name. Per Ordinance No. 3299, please limit your comments to 4 minutes or less.
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B. Requests of Council:

C. Staff Reports:

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **MOTION** – Approve Notice of Municipal Letting, Bid # E-08-26, for Purchase of One 3 Phase 225 kVA Transformer (attached)
- B. **MOTION** – Bill #26-104/RESOLUTION Authorizing City to Enter into a Streaming Agreement with the National Hockey League for St. Louis Blues (attached)

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- C. **MOTION** – Bill #26-105/ORDINANCE Amending Chapter 6, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Highland, Alcoholic Liquor, to Increase the Number of D2 Liquor Licenses to Twelve (attached)
- D. **MOTION** – Bill #26-106/RESOLUTION Issuing a “D2” Liquor License to Oscar Farina on Behalf Of Big O’s Sport Bar Highland Square LLC, Pursuant to Chapter 6, of the Code of Ordinances, City of Highland, Entitled Alcoholic Liquor (attached)
- E. **MOTION** – Bill #26-107/RESOLUTION Waiving Competitive Bidding Requirement and Approving And Authorizing the Purchase of a New 2027 Dodge Durango from McGinley Incorporated for \$42,545.00 (attached)
- F. **MOTION** – Bill #26-108/RESOLUTION Approving First Amendment to Ambulance Service and Lease Agreement Between the City of Highland and St. Joseph’s Hospital of the Hospital Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis (attached)
- G. **MOTION** – Bill #26-109/RESOLUTION Authorizing the City Manager to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding with International Association of Firefighters (attached)
- H. **MOTION** – Bill #26-110/RESOLUTION Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Moran Economic Development for Assistance and Services Related to Specialized Economic Development Programs for the Business District (attached)
- I. **MOTION** – Bill #26-111/RESOLUTION Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Moran Economic Development for Assistance and Services Related to Specialized Economic Development Programs for the TIF Districts (attached)
- J. **MOTION** – Bill #26-112/RESOLUTION Providing for a Feasibility Study for a Proposed Amendment To the Existing Highland Redevelopment Plan and Project Area # 2 (attached)
- K. **MOTION** – Bill #26-113/RESOLUTION Providing for a Feasibility Study for a Proposed Amendment To the Existing Highland Redevelopment Plan and Project Area # 3 (attached)
- L. **MOTION** – Bill #26-114/RESOLUTION Declaring an Intent to Reimburse Certain Redevelopment Project Costs (attached)

REPORTS:

- A. **MOTION** – Accepting Expenditures Report #1322 for Sept. 5, 2026 through Sept. 18, 2026 (attached)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Council will conduct an Executive Session pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, citing the following OMA exemption(s) allowing the meeting: **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) to discuss litigation.**

ADJOURNMENT:



Anyone requiring accommodations, provided for in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), to attend this public meeting, please contact Jackie Heimbürger, ADA Coordinator, by 9:00 AM on Monday, September 21, 2026.

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