

THIEF RIVER FALLS CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CITY HALL – 405 3RD STREET EAST

5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

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| ☐ Mike Lorensen, Mayor | ☐ Megan Arlt, Ward 1 |
| ☐ Julie Bolduc, Ward 2 | ☐ Kelly Langness, Ward 3 |
| ☐ Michele McCraw, Ward 4 | ☐ Scott Pream, Ward 5 |
| ☐ Jason Aarestad, At-Large 1 | ☐ Steve Narverud, At-Large 2 |

4. PUBLIC HEARING

- 4.1. 18-month Data Center Moratorium
- 4.2. CUP for Turf, LLC (Golf Simulator) - on-site alcohol sales

5. PUBLIC FORUM - *Individuals may address the City Council about any item not included on the regular agenda. A maximum of 5 minutes is allotted for the public forum. The City Council will not take official action on items discussed at this time, with the exception of referral to staff or a committee, board or commission for a future report.*

6. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/PUBLIC INFORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 6.1. George Eilertson (Northland Securities) – 2026B Bond Sale
- 6.2. Faye Auchenpaugh - The "Last Whistle" Documentary

7. APPROVE AGENDA - *Council members may add items to the agenda for discussion purposes or staff direction. The Council will not normally take official action on items added to the agenda.*

8. CONSENT AGENDA - *These items are considered routine in nature and are approved with one motion without discussion/debate. The Mayor will ask if any Council member wishes to remove an item and place it on the regular agenda for discussion and consideration. If no items are to be removed, the Mayor will then ask for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.*

- 8.1. Approval of August 12, 2026 Special Council Proceedings (4)
- 8.2. Approval of August 18, 2026 Council Proceedings (5-12)

8.3. Approval of August 19, 2026 Special Council Proceedings (12)

8.4. City of Thief River Falls Bills and Disbursement (14-47)

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1. Resolution Authorizing Issuance, Awarding Sale, Prescribing the Form and Details and Providing For The Payment of \$ [_] General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026B (48-76)

9.2. Authorize submitting a grant with MN Historical Society for a Documentary (77)

9.3. Approve 18-month moratorium on data centers & develop an ordinance regulating data centers (78)

9.4. Conditional Use Permit for TR Turf onsite Alcohol sales (79-83)

9.5. Approve Liquor License Application for Turf LLC (84-91)

9.6. Discussion with Doug Straus from Automated Technologies and Approval (92)

9.7. HDR Proposal for an Archaeological Survey (93-102)

9.8. Approval Financial Audit Agreement (103-104)

9.9. Approval Criminal Services from Harbott, Knutson, Larson & Holten PLLP (105)

9.10. Adopt the City of Thief River Falls Preliminary 2027 Budget (106)

9.11. Approval of Proposed 2027 Tax Levy (107)

9.12. Approval of Cannabis & LPHE Business Registrations (108)

10. COUNCIL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS - *Not all boards or commissions will have met prior to the Council meeting. These reports are intended to keep the other council members informed of actions or proposed actions taken by these boards and commissions. Only those with something to report would be on the agenda.*

11. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 10/6 City Council at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers
- 10/7 Planning & Zoning Commission at 5 pm in Council Chambers
- 10/12 Public Utilities Committee at 7 am in Room 101
- 10/12 Public Safety Committee at 4:30 pm in Room 101
- 10/13 Administrative Committee at 4:30 pm in Room 101
- 10/14 Public Works Committee at 4:30 pm in Room 101
- 10/20 City Council at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers

12. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

12.1. Investment Summary (109-110)

12.2. The 2026 LHS Community Homecoming Parade is Friday, September 25. The parade will start at 1:30 pm from the intersection of Columbia Av and Greenwood St (by Greenwood Trails). It will continue east on Greenwood through the roundabout, then south on Pennington Ave to Evergreen St. The public is invited to watch the parade anywhere on the route; students in grades k-12 from the Thief River Falls schools will be along the route as well. Please be mindful of extra pedestrian activity

during this time and prepare your transit accordingly.

15. ADJOURNMENT

City of Thief River Falls complies with the ADA. Individuals with disabilities requiring special aids should contact the City Administrator, 405 Third Street East, Thief River Falls, MN 56701, 218-681-2943, 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.