

COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 13, 2026

(Please note these are draft minutes and may be amended by Council before final approval.)

The Carroll City Council met in regular session on this date at 5:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 627 N. Adams Street. Council Members present: Jason Atherton, Kyle Bauer, Jeff Cayler, LaVern Dirks, Deb Koster and Carolyn Siemann. Absent: None. Mayor Jerry Fleshner presided.

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The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the City Council. No Council action taken.

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Mayor Fleshner read a proclamation declaring April 24, 2026 as Arbor Day in Carroll, Iowa and urged citizens to participate in tree planting programs that will ensure a greener Carroll and a greener Iowa and to nurture, protect, and wisely use Iowa's natural wonder of trees. No Council action taken.

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It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Atherton, to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) minutes of the two March 23, 2026 meetings, as written; b) bills and claims in the amount of \$753,444.60; c) Licenses and Permits: Renewal of Class "C" Retail Alcohol License – *Carroll Moose Lodge #273*; Renewal of Class "E" Retail Alcohol License – *Walgreens #10770*; Renewal of Class "E" Retail Alcohol License – *Hy-Vee*; Temporary Outdoor Service Amendment – *Bee Kind LLC (The Cupola, 519 N Main)*; New 8-month Special Class "C" Retail Alcohol License – *Sozi's Kitchen Sushi and Hibachi (227 N Carroll Street)*; Resolution No. 26-34, Allowing Carroll Merchants Baseball Club to Sell Alcoholic Beverages at Merchants Park and New 8-month Special Class "C" Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service – *Carroll Merchants Baseball Club*; and Resolution No. 26-35, Allowing Carroll County Softball to Sell Alcoholic Beverages at the Adult Slow Pitch Softball Fields and Renewal of Special Class "C" Retail Alcohol License with Outdoor Service – *Carroll County Softball*; and d) Infill Housing Incentive Application for Andrew and Jessica Greenleaf (429 Deer Creek Lane). On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: Koster. Absent: None. Motion carried 5-0.

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There were no oral requests or communications from the audience.

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An ordinance to remove the parking restrictions on the vacated 200 block of South East Street was introduced by Council Member Atherton.

It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Cayler, to approve the first reading and waive the second and third reading of an ordinance to remove the parking restrictions on the vacated 200 block of South East Street. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Atherton to adopt said Ordinance No. 2605. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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An ordinance to remove the stop required on the vacated 200 block of South East Street was introduced by Council Member Cayler.

It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Siemann, to approve the first reading and waive the second and third reading of an ordinance to remove the stop required on the vacated 200 block of South East Street. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Atherton to adopt said Ordinance No. 2606. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Cayler, to approve Resolution No. 26-36, Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$74,500.00 with JEO Consulting Group, Inc. for the Northwest Park Shelter House. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Dirx, seconded by Siemann, to approve Resolution No. 26-37, Iowa Department of Natural Resources Water Supply Service Agreement for the Kuemper Catholic School System One Campus Project. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Dirx, to approve Resolution No. 26-38, Professional Building Consultation and Review Services Agreement with Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Cayler, to approve Resolution No. 26-39, Agreements with Wellmark for group health insurance coverage, Delta Dental for dental insurance coverage, Delta

Vision for vision insurance coverage, Standard life Company for life insurance and an employee assistance program (EAP) and Employee Benefit Systems for third party administration services and setting COBRA rates for FY 2027. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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At 5:43 p.m. Mayor Fleshner opened a public hearing on the FY 2026/2027 Budget. Mayor Fleshner closed said hearing at 5:45 p.m.

It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Dirx, to approve Resolution No. 26-40, Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2027. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Cayler, to allocate \$100,000 from Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) collections for the 2026 Downtown Façade Improvement Grant Program. Adam Schweers, Carroll County Growth Partnership Executive Director, addressed Council on this issue. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Cayler, to approve the Request for Proposal from Group Creative Services for a Downtown Art and Culture Plan and direct staff to negotiate a contract with Group Creative Services. Adam Schweers, Carroll County Growth Partnership Executive Director, addressed Council on this issue. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Cayler, seconded by Atherton, to approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Hybrid from Champion Ford of Carroll at their price of \$43,818.00 and direct the sale of a 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle through GovDeals.com. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

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It was moved by Atherton, seconded by Bauer, to adjourn at 6:22 p.m. On roll call, all present voted aye. Nays: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Gerald H. Fleshner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura A. Schaefer, City Clerk