

On December 15, 2025, a Special City Council Meeting of the Minot City Council was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall (10 3rd Ave SW). Mayor Jantzer called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mike Blessum, Rob Fuller, Mark Jantzer, Lisa Olson, Paul Pitner, Scott Samuelson

Members Absent: Mike Hayes

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Mark Jantzer led the City Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: POTENTIAL LAND PURCHASE - 1310 BURDICK EXPRESSWAY EAST

The topic of discussion will be regarding a potential land purchase by the City of Minot. The City Council will discuss a negotiating strategy and/or provide negotiating instructions to its attorney or other negotiators regarding a potential contract for which negotiation is likely to occur in the immediate future. An open meeting on this topic would have an adverse fiscal effect on the bargaining position of the city if discussed at a public meeting. See N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.1(9).

Mayor Jantzer stated the next item on the agenda is an executive session to discuss a potential land purchase by the City of Minot. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is North Dakota Century Code Section 44-04-19.1(9).

The topic and purpose of the executive session is to allow the City Council to discuss negotiating strategy and provide negotiating instructions to its attorneys and other negotiators regarding a potential contract for which negotiation is likely to occur in the immediate future. An open meeting on this topic would have an adverse fiscal effect on the bargaining position of the City. At this time, a motion would be in order to discuss agenda item number 3 in the executive session.

The motion to move the City Council into executive session was initiated by City Council Member Blessum, seconded by City Council Member Samuelson and carried by the following roll call vote: ayes: Mike Blessum, Rob Fuller, Mark Jantzer, Lisa Olson, Paul Pitner, Scott Samuelson; nays: None.

The executive session will be recorded, and all members of the Council are reminded to limit their discussion during the executive session to the announced topic. Any collective decision, collective commitment, or other final action by the Council will occur after it is reconvened in an open meeting, unless final action is specifically required by law to be taken during the executive session.

Since this executive session is being held to provide guidance and instructions to our attorney and other negotiators pursuant to N.D.C.C. § 44-04-19.1, the prohibition on taking final action during the executive session does not apply to providing negotiating instructions to the City's attorneys and other negotiators.

At this time, the Council will relocate to the City Council conference room adjoining Council Chambers. During the executive session, members of the public attending the meeting are welcome to remain in Council Chambers. We anticipate adjourning the executive session and returning to the dais to reconvene the open portion of this meeting, at approximately 5:15 pm.

The executive session began at 4:48 pm and was attended by members of the City Council, as well as the Mayor, City Clerk, City Attorney, City Assessor, Finance Director, and Utilities Director.

At 5:04 pm, Alderman Pitner moved to adjourn the executive session and return to the open portion of the City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by City Council Member Blessum and carried by the following roll call vote: ayes: Mike Blessum, Rob Fuller, Mark Jantzer, Lisa Olson, Paul Pitner, Scott Samuelson; nays: None.

POTENTIAL ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action following the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 pm was initiated by City Council Member Pitner, seconded by City Council Member Blessum and carried by the following roll call vote: ayes: Mike Blessum, Rob Fuller, Mark Jantzer, Lisa Olson, Paul Pitner, Scott Samuelson; nays: None.

ATTEST: Mikayla McWilliams
Mikayla McWilliams, City Clerk

APPROVED: Mark Jantzer
Mark Jantzer, Mayor