

Official proceedings of the City Council of the City of Marseilles of the meeting of August 19, 2026.

The City Council of the City of Marseilles met in the City Chamber of City Hall at the hour of 6:00 P.M. on August 19, 2026.

Roll call showed the following present: Mayor Hollenbeck, Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, and Buckingham. Absent: None.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

A public hearing was held for street vacation of part of Williams Street and the north 60 feet of Indiana Street. Commissioner Scheib asked where the maps can be located. Attorney Cantlin stated the maps will be recorded with the ordinances and can be found at the clerk's office.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the minutes from the council meeting held August 5, 2026 be approved and placed on file. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Small that the accounts payable for the first half of August in the amount of \$282,438.24 be approved and a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury for the said amount. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the payroll for the first half of August in the amount of \$108,791.49 be approved and a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury for said amount. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None. Abstain: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Scheib that the proposal from Gillan Construction in the amount of \$47,020.00 for the bridge repair on Lincoln Street be approved. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Small that the proposal from Alpine Power Systems in the amount of \$11,775.00 be placed on file. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Kaminski seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the financial audit for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 from Hopkins and Associates be approved. Ayes: Commissioner Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Pro Tem Kaminski. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Kaminski that Resolution 2026-15, a resolution authorizing purchase of Chevy Silverado Truck be adopted. Commissioner Scheib asked how many vehicles are take home squads. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Kaminski that Resolution authorizing purchase of 2010 Chevy Silverado from the Grand Ridge Volunteer Fire Department for ESDA be adopted. Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the retirement agreement for the Police Chief be placed on file. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None. Abstain: Commissioner Scheib.

Commissioner Scheib said the safe routes to school sidewalk replacement have started. He also said Commercial Street grinding and paving starts next week. He said the Illinois Street sewer project should be done around Thanksgiving. He said he's hopeful the MFT funds will go towards Illinois Street next year.

Commissioner Scheib spoke regarding the ILETSB complaint. He stated that he is aware of two complaints filed with ILETSB, one regarding sexual harassment training and another concerning an officer who was allegedly on the street making arrests when, according to the LaSalle County State's Attorney's Office, the officer should not have been. Commissioner Scheib read an email he sent to ILETSB on July 24, 2026, regarding the complaint and provided a timeline of events. He emphasized that he was a witness, not the complainant. He expressed concern as to why the officer was placed on the street and allowed to make arrests. Commissioner Scheib stated that his role as a witness was not malicious and that he does not believe he should have been treated poorly as a result of his involvement.

Commissioner Buckingham reported that the new library windows are expected to be replaced sometime in September. He also reminded motorists to slow down and use caution when driving through school zones now that school has resumed.

Moved by Commissioner Buckingham seconded by Commissioner Small that the proposal from Baxter and Woodman to perform conditions 12 and 20.1 surveys in an amount not to exceed \$28,700 be placed on file. Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.
Wastewater Superintendent Jason Rix reviewed the requirements for the surveys with the Council. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Mayor Hollenbeck seconded by Commissioner Kaminski that Ordinance 1917, an ordinance vacating the North 60 feet of Indiana Street south of Gum Avenue – David Raikes and Janet Raikes be adopted. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

Moved by Mayor Hollenbeck seconded by Commissioner Small that Ordinance 1918, an ordinance vacating part of Williams Street north of 443 West Bluff Street – Robert Hauge Jr. and Christine Hauge as Trustees of the Clean 66 Trust and as Trustees of the CLH Trust be adopted. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: Commissioner Scheib.

Mayor Hollenbeck said the OSALD and the housing rehabilitation grant has been submitted, unaware of when the grant will be awarded. He said the Fire Protection District closed on 209 Lincoln Street and 142 Lincoln Street.

The entire Council thanked the city workers for their efforts during the August 11, 2026, storms.

Moved by Commissioner Small seconded by Commissioner Buckingham that the City Council adjourns at 6:27 P.M. Ayes: Commissioner Kaminski, Small, Scheib, Buckingham, and Mayor Hollenbeck. Nays: None.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Lesley Hart
CITY CLERK