

**Monday  
August 4, 2025**

The Buffalo City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 212 Central Ave (with some date exceptions for holidays).

This recap outlines key decisions made by the City Council and is not a comprehensive account of all actions taken. For more detail, please check our website and review the official minutes or watch the meeting online.

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The meeting of the Buffalo City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Present: Mayor Steve Downer, Council Members Sheila Crawford, Brad Dahl, George Fantauzza, and Erin Walsh.

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### Meeting Recap

- There was one speaker at **open forum** who expressed concerns about a cannabis dispensary.
- Approved an **off-site gambling permit** for an event at the Buffalo Civic Center on September 6, 2025.
- Determined the **Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW)** is sufficient for the proposed **South Shores on Lake Pulaski project** and that an additional **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)** is not required.
- Received a demonstration on the City's new 311 application, **"SeeClickFix"** available on the website and an app on mobile devices.
- Approved the **design** and authorized **bidding** for the **new Community Center**.
- Appointed **Mark Brown** to the **Assistant Police Chief** position.
- Approved the **design concept** for a new **Veterans' Memorial Park**.
- Approved the **revised budget** for the **Buffalo Fiber expansion project** and authorized **designing phase 2.5**.
- Agreed on a **concept and roadmap** to establish a local, 5-member **Public Utilities Commission (PUC)**.
- Accepted **donations** to the City of Buffalo.
- Approved the **purchase of additional meters** for the **AMI project**.
- Entered into **closed session** to discuss potential acquisition of **100 1st Ave NE**. City Council determined they were not interested in submitting an offer on the building. No action was taken.

Adjourned at 9:55 p.m. to a City Council workshop on **Monday, August 11 at 5:30 p.m.** The next regular City Council meeting will be held on **Monday, August 18 at 7:00 p.m.**

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