

**MINUTES  
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026**

The Tuesday, February 17, 2026, meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Oppermann. Members' present were: Ald. Tully, Ald. Beyer, Ald. Mattke, Ald. Stallman, Ald. Teeter, and Ald. Neils. Absent: Ald. Schroeder and Ald. Obernberger. Also present were: City Administrator Freitag, City Attorney Rogers, Public Works Director Clark, Police Chief Richter and City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Copsey.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Pat Rice, 334 E. Dodge Street wanted to complement the Chili Walk, that it was a nice event. He also would like the Communications Committee to meet in the future. Pat also thinks that it would be beneficial to the community to have a meeting to let people know who is paying and how much everyone is paying for the wastewater treatment plant.

**PRESENTATION: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON JEFFERSON'S NORTHSIDE BY LOOS HOMES**

David Werning from Loos Homes explained the proposed residential development on Jefferson's Northside.

**AN ORDINANCE AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR SECTION 300-10.31 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON RELATED TO THE REZONING OF PARCEL NUMBER 241-0614-1013-000 AND 241-0614-1012-015**

(To be introduced for second reading by Ald. Neils.)

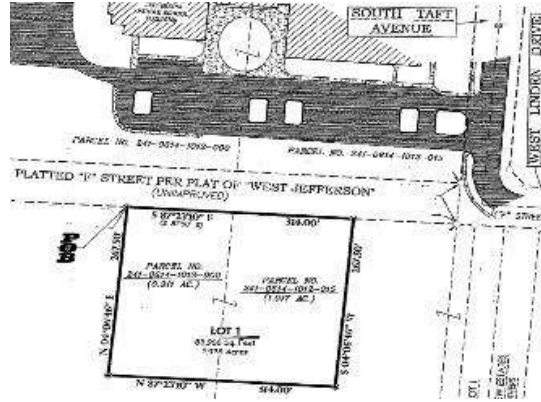
**CITY OF JEFFERSON  
ORDINANCE NO. 4-26**

The Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 300-10.31 of the Zoning map, City of Jefferson, Wisconsin, which is herein made a part, is amended to change district boundaries of parcel number 241-0614-1013-000 and 241-0614-1012-015 from Institutional (I) to the zoning designation of RH-35 Rural Holdings.

Description:

BEING A PART OF OUTLOT 16 OF THE PLAT OF  
"WEST JEFFERSON", LOCATED IN PART OF THE  
SOUTHWEST ¼ OF NORTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 10,  
TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST, CITY OF  
JEFFERSON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, WISCONSIN.



**Parcel #:** 241-0614-1013-000/241-0614-1012-015

**Address:** 501 S. Taft Ave.

**Proposed Permanent Zoning Designation:** RH-35 Rural Holdings.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force after passage and publication as provided by law and notification and attestation of the district boundary changes incorporated herein the zoning map, City of Jefferson.

Ald. Neils, seconded by Ald. Mattke, moved to approve Ordinance No. 4-26. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

(To be introduced by Ald. Teeter.)

### **CITY OF JEFFERSON RESOLUTION NO. 90**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin that the consent agenda for February 17, 2026, is hereby adopted.

- A. Vouchers Payable for December Payables in the amount of \$45,768.61, January Payables in the amount of \$778,764.65. Payroll Summary for February 6, 2026, amount of \$218,553.88.
- B. Council Minutes from February 3, 2026, of the Common Council.
- C. Licenses as Approved by the Regulatory Committee:
  1. Operator's Licenses.
  2. Temporary Class B- Gemuetlichkeit Days Inc.- May 9, 2026- Fairview Sports Bar.
  3. Temporary Class B- Gemuetlichkeit Days Inc.- September 18, 19, & 20, 2026- Jefferson County Fairpark/Rotary Park.
  4. Temporary Class B- Kiwanis Club of Jefferson- Master Amateur Retriever Banquet- June 20, 2026- Jefferson County Fairpark.

Ald. Teeter, seconded by Ald. Beyer, moved to approve Resolution No. 90. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NAMING OF THE TRAIL IN MEADOW SPRINGS CONSERVANCY IN HONOR OF WILLIAM ROBERT BRANDEL**

(To be introduced by Ald. Tully.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON  
RESOLUTION NO. 91**

**WHEREAS**, William Robert Brandel dedicated his life to serving the City of Jefferson with distinction and devotion; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Brandel served the citizens of Jefferson for nearly four decades, including four terms as Mayor and many years as a City Alderperson and President of the Common Council; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Brandel was a beloved educator at Jefferson High School for 35 years, teaching generations of students the values of civic engagement, leadership, and service to community; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Brandel was recognized as Jefferson's Citizen of the Year in 1994 and received the WPPI Community Service Award in 2019 for his exemplary contributions to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Bill Brandel embodied the principles of kindness, generosity, and service to others throughout his life; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jefferson wishes to honor Bill Brandel's legacy of public service and community dedication by naming the trail within Meadow Springs Conservancy in his memory.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin, that the trail located within Meadow Springs Conservancy shall hereafter be known and designated as the "Bill Brandel Trail"; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that appropriate signage shall be installed to designate the trail with this name.

Ald. Tully, seconded by Ald. Mattke, moved to approve Resolution No. 91. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFER TO PURCHASE FOR THE FILL PROJECT ON MAIN STREET**

(To be introduced by Ald. Stallman.)

**CITY OF JEFFERSON  
RESOLUTION NO. 92**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Jefferson has previously acquired several properties comprising the 600<sup>th</sup> block of South Main Street (the Site) with the intention of redeveloping this portion of the central business district; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has reviewed development options for this property and determined that the Site is best suited for a mixed-use development comprised primarily of residential housing with the potential for limited commercial development; and

**WHEREAS**, Gorman and Company, LLC has submitted an option to acquire the Site with intention to redevelop a mixed-use residential/commercial development; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City of Jefferson City Council that it herein approves an Option Agreement with Gorman and Company, LLC for the Site, and the eventual purchase of said property. The Option Agreement conditions include:

- A closing date of December 31, 2026; with the ability of either party to extend the closing date and additional six (6) months; and
- A purchase price of \$200,000 payable at closing; and
- The ability of the City to repurchase the property if construction has not commenced within 12 months of closing.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the City Council that the Mayor and/or City Administrator are authorized to execute said Option Agreement on behalf of the City of Jefferson upon the review and consent of the City Attorney.

Ald. Stallman, seconded by Ald. Teeter, moved to approve Resolution No. 92. On call of the roll, Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Mattke, seconded by Ald. Neils moved to adjourn the Jefferson Common Council Meeting at 7:42 p.m., carried unanimously on a voice vote.