

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Rapid City, South Dakota
January 27, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Rapid City was held at City Hall, 300 Sixth Street, in Rapid City, South Dakota on Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 12:01 P.M.

The following members were present: Alderpersons: Stephen Tamang, Bill Evans, Callie Meyer, Kevin Maher, Greg Strommen, Josh Biberdorf, Rod Pettigrew and Lance Lehmann; the following were absent: John Roberts and Lindsey Seachris; the following Alderpersons arrived during the course of the meeting: None. Council President Pettigrew chaired the meeting.

Staff members present included: Deputy Finance Director Tracy Davis, Public Information Officer Darrell Shoemaker, Communications and Marketing Coordinator Bret Mattice and Senior Administrative Coordinator Heidi Weaver.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
Motion was made by Evans, second by Lehmann to adopt the agenda. Motion carried 8-0.

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment forms submitted.

NON-PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS – Item 1
Council President Pettigrew read in item (No. CC012726-01) Approve Resolution 2026-016, EMERGENCY RESOLUTION CANVASSING VOTE FOR THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION REGARDING REFERRED RESOLUTION NO. 2025-098 HELD JANUARY 20, 2026. Motion was made by Lehmann, second by Meyer to approve. Motion carried 8-0. Maher asked Deputy Finance Director, Davis, what will the county be charging the city for running the special election. Davis said the City has not received the bill yet but the approximate amount could be

between \$90k - \$150k.
Resolution No. 2026-016
EMERGENCY RESOLUTION CANVASSING VOTE FOR THE SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION REGARDING REFERRED RESOLUTION NO. 2025-098 HELD JANUARY 20, 2026
WHEREAS there was held in the City of Rapid City, South Dakota, on Tuesday, the 20th day of January, 2026, a Special Election of the City of Rapid City, South Dakota, for the purpose of consideration of Referred Resolution No. 2025-098, a Resolution creating Rapid City Destination Tax Increment Financing District.
WHEREAS at the results of the Special Municipal Election on a referred resolution have been presented to the Common Council for purposes of canvassing the election returns.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Rapid City that the Official Canvass Sheet for the January 20, 2026, Special Election, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, is approved by the Common Council in its capacity as the Board of Canvassers for the City of Rapid City.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of votes having been cast against the referred Resolution, it is hereby declared that Referred Resolution No. 2025-098 is rejected.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is found and determined to be necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, and for the support of the municipal government and its existing public institutions, wherefore an emergency exists and this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.
DATED this 27th day of January, 2026.
CITY OF RAPID CITY
s/ Rod Pettigrew
City Council President

ATTEST:

s/ Tracy Davis
Deputy Finance Director
(Seal)
OFFICIAL CANVASS SHEET – SPECIAL ELECTION
Date of Election: January 20, 2026
Type of Election: Special Election
Jurisdiction: City of Rapid City

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Precinct 1-1	138	320
Precinct 1-2	150	399
Precinct 1-3	265	406
Precinct 1-4	146	250
Precinct 1-5	162	405
Totals	861	1780

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Precinct 2-1	9	60
Precinct 2-2	129	383
Precinct 2-3	39	190
Precinct 2-4	72	252

Precinct 2-5	55	217
Totals	304	1102

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Precinct 3-1	33	102
Precinct 3-2	291	616
Precinct 3-3	319	556
Precinct 3-4	328	544
Precinct 3-5	254	315
Totals	1225	2133

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Precinct 4-1	66	164
Precinct 4-2	55	244
Precinct 4-3	129	334
Precinct 4-4	41	132

Precinct 4-5	55	141
Totals	346	1015

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Precinct 5-1	48	136
Precinct 5-2	58	272
Precinct 5-3	152	416
Precinct 5-4	172	503
Precinct 5-5	249	608
Totals	679	1935

Referred Resolution No. 2025-098	YES	NO
Total Votes Cast	3415	7965

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
COUNTY OF PENNINGTON)
We, Josh Biberdorf, Stephen Tamang, Bill Evans, Kevin Maher, Greg Strommen, Lance Lehmann, Rod Pettigrew, and Callie Meyer, appointed as the Board of Canvassers because of our positions on the governing board in the jurisdiction of the City of Rapid City for the Special Municipal

Election held on the 20th day of January, 2026, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true abstract of the votes cast in the jurisdiction of the City of Rapid City at the election as shown by the returns certified to the person in charge of the election.

Ward One Alderman s/ Josh Biberdorf
Ward Two Alderman s/ Bill Evans
Ward Three Alderman s/ Greg Strommen
Ward Five Alderwoman s/ Callie Meyer
Ward One Alderman s/ Stephen Tamang
Ward Three Alderman Kevin Maher
Ward Four Alderman Lance Lehmann
Ward Five Alderman s/ Rod Pettigrew

City Council President

s/ Rod Pettigrew

Deputy Finance Director

s/ Tracy Davis

(Seal)

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, motion was made by Lehmann, second by Evans and carried 8-0 to adjourn the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

CITY OF RAPID CITY
s/ Rod Pettigrew
City Council President

ATTEST:

s/ Tracy Davis
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