

April 27, 2026

Mayor Sharrard opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Councilmember Ouellette at 7:00PM on Monday, April 27, 2026. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America followed the invocation. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan.

Members Present: Sharrard, Awrey, Ouellette, and Techel

Members Absent: Wilson, Kennedy and Jaques

A motion was made by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to amend tonight's Agenda adding item #20; Resignation Letter from Councilmember Techel.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the April 13, 2026 meeting and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to excuse Councilmember Kennedy from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to excuse Councilmember Jaques from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

The public forum previously noticed and scheduled for tonight's meeting has been postponed per the developer's request.

Public Comment: C. Ryder offered comments regarding the recording of meetings.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to accept the resignation letter from councilmember Robert Wilson. (letter attached)

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to accept the resignation letter from councilmember Hannah Techel. (letter and statement attached)

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to approve the Road Closure Request for the Memorial Day Parade scheduled for Monday, May 25, 2026 from 10:00am to Noon.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to approve the Marihuana Transfer License for Great Lakes Exotics (2625 S. Otsego Avenue).

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the Marihuana Transfer License for Great Lakes Exotics (820 W. Main).

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to approve the First Reading of the Amendment to the Solicitation Ordinance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the First Reading of the Ethics Ordinance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the First Reading of the Ordinance to Amend the Rental Housing Ordinance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Discussion took place regarding council member vacancies.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to post the council member vacancies for Ward 2 and At Large, accept applications/resumes and interview candidates at the regularly scheduled council meeting on Monday, May 11, 2026. Applications/resumes are due no later than noon on Thursday, May 7, 2026.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Discussion to place regarding the public forum date.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Awrey to set the public forum date with the developer regarding the 18+ acre property located between West Street and I-75 for the second meeting in May, which will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2026 due to the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the budget timeline for 2026-2027.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

The following motion was added by a council vote on Monday, July 27, 2026. The motion was inadvertently omitted in the July 13, 2027 minutes. Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to

approve the Outdoor Café Permit from Brennan's Up North.

Ayes: Unanimous.      Motion Carried.

No other business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Jennifer Molski, City Clerk

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Todd Sharrard, Mayor