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Subject: Preservation Notice and Records Request – September 1 and September 15, 2026 Council Meetings
Date: September 15, 2026 at 10:44 PM
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Good evening,

Please preserve the complete recordings and related records identified below for **both the September 1 and September 15, 2026 Mount Pleasant City Council meetings**. I also request electronic copies of the open-session recordings.

These records are relevant to my review of the City's handling of public participation and budget discussion. During my September 15 budget remarks, Mayor Wesley Lyon interrupted me, my microphone was turned off, and he threatened to have the Police Chief escort me out. No one escorted me out, but I was not allowed to finish speaking. The September 1 budget deliberations provide relevant context concerning discussion of directors' compensation and related expenditures.

Meetings and reference timestamps

- **September 1:** City Council recording. Relevant portions include the budget item beginning at approximately **35:21**, the discussion of directors' training and related costs around **54:20–55:25**, and the exchange involving Mayor Lyon and a remote participant around **59:35–1:01:30**. Please preserve any separately retained remote-participant audio, particularly around **1:00:05–1:00:34**, where speech is difficult to hear in the public copy.

- **September 15:** City Council recording. My public-comment remarks appear around **13:55–16:49**, and my budget remarks and the ensuing exchange around **28:21–31:03**.

These are approximate elapsed-video positions, not clock times. They identify portions of interest; **the request covers both complete meetings, not just these clips**, including all separately saved segments, surrounding discussion, and returns to open session.

Related context and records

In his **March 17, 2026, 1:02 p.m. email** concerning Agenda Item 25, Mayor Lyon wrote: **"This will not be a platform for grievances against the city or all of the employees in it"** and limited the discussion to my records needs. At 1:06 p.m. he prohibited PowerPoint presentations. His **4:10 p.m. clarification** later permitted a presentation, including PowerPoint, subject to time and agenda limits. Please preserve the complete chain, including that clarification.

During the **September 15 budget exchange, around 30:43–30:54**, Mayor Lyon disputed whether I was addressing the budget and said, **"I just heard Walmart. I just heard Candias."** My preceding remarks addressed proposed compensation, compensation studies, public expenditures, qualifications, and police staffing. This raises my concern that those references were treated as grounds to end my remarks without considering their connection to the budget. I request preservation of the complete context so the handling of my participation can be fairly reviewed.

Preservation notice

Please promptly route this notice to the appropriate City officials, Police Department personnel, recording and IT staff, contractors, and counsel. Please preserve the following existing records, whether retained by the City or maintained for it:

1. **Complete recordings:** The original audio/video recordings and livestream files for both meetings, including local and cloud copies, backups, separately saved segments, published versions, captions, transcripts, and associated metadata.

2. **Separate audio sources:** Microphone, room-audio, telephone, or videoconference recordings and audio tracks for both meetings, including any separately captured remote-participant audio. Please preserve source files even if the published livestream does not include all sound captured by another system.

3. **Recording and microphone records:** Existing recording, streaming, audio-console, microphone-control, speaker-timer, and platform logs or settings documenting the identified exchanges or the recording and publication of either meeting. This includes retained records of muting, audio routing, stopping, editing, replacement, deletion, upload, or version changes, with associated timestamps.

4. **Related communications:** Existing emails, messages, notes, or instructions concerning recording or audio handling of the identified exchanges; and, for September 15, interruption of my remarks, control of my microphone, speaking-time or relevance decisions, or a warning or proposal to remove me.

5. **Room or security-camera footage:** Any existing room or security-camera footage capturing my September 15 remarks, the exchange, and the moments immediately following the exchange at the Council meeting location, 501 North Madison Avenue.

6. **Existing closed-session records:** Any closed-session recordings or certified agendas for either meeting, including the September 15 attorney consultation concerning Cause No. 44437, *Kyle Douglas Moring v. City of Mount Pleasant*. Please also preserve any existing transcript, notes, or related records of that case discussion. If a recording includes other closed-session items, preserve the complete original securely

original security.

7. **March source records:** The complete March 16–17, 2026 correspondence concerning "Agenda Item 25 – Presentation Logistics for March 17 Meeting," including attachments, forwards, replies, and related notes or internal communications about the presentation instructions and later clarification, whether retained by the City or maintained on its behalf.

Please suspend routine deletion, overwriting, automatic expiration, or replacement of these identified records. Retain the originals and metadata; make any necessary disclosure or redacted copies separately. This request concerns existing records and does not ask the City to create logs or recordings that were never maintained.

The closed-session request is for preservation, not public disclosure. I recognize that Government Code § 551.103 generally permits a certified agenda instead of a recording and excepts qualifying attorney consultations under § 551.071. I am not asserting that a recording was required for that consultation. Please preserve whatever records actually exist, consistent with § 551.104 and other applicable duties.

Request for copies of public records

Under Government Code Chapter 552 and § 551.022, please provide:

1. Complete recordings of all open portions of **both September 1 and September 15 meetings**, including every separately saved livestream segment and return to open session.

2. The retained original electronic files, including separately recorded open-session room or remote-participant audio, and existing caption or transcript files, to the extent subject to disclosure. Please provide existing native files or the highest-quality retained copies through a download link or electronic delivery, with retained metadata. If the public posting differs from the retained original, please provide both disclosable versions. Please provide the files rather than only selected clips or the YouTube viewing links already identified above.

3. Existing nonconfidential records documenting the September 15 interruption or microphone cutoff, including operator/event logs, and the written public-speaking, time-limit, decorum, microphone-control, or removal rules in effect at that meeting.

Please provide the public-meeting recordings first and process the remaining categories separately. **This disclosure request excludes confidential closed-session recordings, certified agendas, and privileged legal advice**.

I request a **public-interest waiver or reduction of charges under § 552.267** because these records will help the public understand the City's conduct of public participation and budget deliberations. Please advise me of proposed charges before performing chargeable work; this email does not authorize charges.

Please acknowledge receipt, confirm that the preservation request has been routed to the appropriate custodians, and advise when the open-session recordings can be provided. If requested public information is withheld, please identify the applicable legal basis and follow the procedures required by Chapter 552.

Respectfully,

Kyle Douglas Moring
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