

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
FROM: SARA PEER, CITY CLERK
SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACES
DATE: FEBRUARY 17, 2026

BACKGROUND

Every year, the City Council was required by law to designate the polling places, even if the polling places have not changed from the prior year. The law has now changed to designate the polling place only if there is a change of location. The City has already designated the polling places in Goodhue County, which will remain the same. However, since the City annexed into Dakota County in 2025, the City now needs to establish and designate a polling place for Precinct 3. The polling places designated each year must serve as the polling place for elections held during the following year unless an emergency occurs that prevents safe, secure and full operation of the polling place or if the polling place became unavailable. After speaking with Dakota County Elections it was decided to make Precinct 3 a mail ballot precinct. A mail ballot precinct is if a voter registers to vote and lives within the boundaries of precinct 3, Dakota County will automatically mail that voter a ballot. We believe that no one is currently living in this precinct but the City still needs to be prepared and have a plan in place to serve the voter. If a voter from the Dakota County precinct 3 would like to vote in person, the voter would be helped at Dakota County Government Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, MN.

Please note, this does not change the Goodhue County precinct boundaries currently established and is designating the existing polling locations for both precincts 1 and 2 (wards) to be at the Government Center, 918 River Road, Cannon Falls, MN.

REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Staff respectfully requests the adoption of the resolution designating the polling places for the City of Cannon Falls.

**CITY OF CANNON FALLS
DAKOTA AND GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2860

**A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING POLLING PLACES FOR THE
CITY OF CANNON FALLS**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute Section 204B.16, subd. 1, states that municipalities must designate precinct polling places for all elections, and

WHEREAS, the City of Cannon Falls has the ability to change the polling location due to an emergency or if the polling place becomes unavailable.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls, Minnesota hereby designates the polling places going forward as follows:

Precinct (Ward) 1
918 River Road
Cannon Falls, MN

Precinct (Ward) 2
918 River Road
Cannon Falls, MN

and

Mail Ballot Precinct (Ward) 3
Dakota County Government Center
1590 Highway 55
Hastings, MN

ADOPTED by the City Council of Cannon Falls this 17th day of February, 2026.

CITY OF CANNON FALLS

Matt Montgomery, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Jon Radermacher, City Administrator