

The special meeting of the Great Falls Town Council was held on April 4, 2026, at 11:00AM in the Council Chambers of Town Hall. Attending were Mayor Worthy, Mayor Por Se Gonzalez, Council Members Knight, Craig, Dutton, and Eagle. Also attending were Town Clerk Dooley.

Mayor Worthy opened the meeting with Prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made and properly seconded to enter executive session. All non-essential attendees were asked to step out, and the session was closed.

A motion was later made and approved to return to open session. No final action was taken during executive session.

Upon returning to open session, it was acknowledged that Attorney Joanie Winters had submitted her resignation effective April 3, 2026. Council discussed the immediate need to secure legal counsel to ensure continuity of operations.

A motion was made and seconded by Council Members David Dutton and Jody Knight to hire Attorney April Porter as the Town's attorney. During discussion, concerns were raised regarding proceeding without an interview and adherence to human resources processes. A vote was called, with opposition noted from Council Member Willie Gonzalez.

Council member Gonzalez indicated a desire to review resume on Attorney April Porter. Council Member Gonzalez specifically requested additional time to review her qualifications prior to final consideration.

Further discussion included logistical considerations, including having Attorney Porter present at the next scheduled meeting and the option to arrange a conference call with Council members. It was noted that any engagement or communication following formal hiring would be billable.

An additional motion was made regarding submission of the bill; however, no further details or outcome were recorded.

A motion carried to approve Attorney April Porter as the Town's attorney.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.