

**AMENDED ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LANGDON, NORTH DAKOTA:

THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCES SHALL BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 1 – UTILITY ESTABLISHED

6.2018 DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE

The municipality reserves the right to discontinue service to any and all customers of the water and sewer system, without notice, when necessary for affecting the service. Only property owners can request to have utility services discontinued. Multiple dwelling building are in accordance with ordinance 6.0226, with the exception of discontinuing services to the entire building; which is explained as followed. All services, including water and garbage, to be discontinued must be shut off at the curb stop. All City residents must have a working curb stop; if the curb stop is broken, the City of Langdon must repair it before any services can be discontinued. The cost of the repair is in accordance with 6.0208. Services may also be discontinued for 1.) non-payment of garbage, water, sewer bills; and 2.) disregard of rules and regulations affecting service.

When service has been discontinued for failure to pay bill or for disregard of the regulations, it shall not be resumed until there is full payment of the unpaid bill, together with penalties, full compliance with City regulations and the payment to the City Auditor of Seventy-five and 00/100 (\$75.00) Dollars for re-establishing and turn on of service and Seventy-five and 00/100 (\$75.00) Dollars for shutting off service.

First Reading: *May 11, 2026*

Second Reading and Final Passage: *May 26, 2026*

*Jerry Nowatzki*  
Jerry Nowatzki, Mayor

ATTEST:

*Roxanne Hennager*  
Roxanne Hennager  
City Auditor  
(City Seal)

**NOTICE OF PETITION FOR DE-ANNEXATION FROM CITY LIMITS, THE CITY OF LANGDON, CAVALIER COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA**

A Petition has been filed with the Auditor for the City of Langdon, Cavalier County, North Dakota, for the de-annexation or exclusion of the following described property from the City of Langdon:

**Tract of land located in the NW¼ Section 23, Township 161N, Range 60W LESS several parcels of land.**

**Parcel No. 61438000**

The City of Langdon shall hear and consider such petition on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July 2026, at 6:00 P.M., at Langdon City Hall.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2026.

*Roxanne Hennager*  
Roxanne Hennager – Auditor  
City of Langdon

**Cont'd. From Page A5 What you need to know about the flesh-eating New World screwworm**

**Will this cost me?**

The New World screwworm could raise prices at the grocery store. In fact, it probably already has: American beef prices are near record highs after ranchers liquidated herds to the smallest level in 75 years because of drought and other operating disruptions, including a halt on cattle imports from Mexico.

In an effort to stop the screwworm, the U.S. banned live Mexican cattle imports, which traditionally occupy American pastures and feedlots before going to slaughter. Last month, David Anderson, professor and extension specialist in livestock and food product marketing at Texas A&M University, told Stateline that the move likely exacerbated meat prices.

Beef prices have increased faster than inflation in recent months, according to the most recent consumer price index report. While ground beef prices fell 1.27% in May, that drop followed a 2.7% increase in April, CNBC reported, and beef prices remain up 12.9% year over year.

The pest could also impact dairy supplies, according to the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources. While ranchers can hold back cattle during an outbreak, dairies may be forced to dump milk during an outbreak.

**What's being done to stop it?**

USDA has created screwworm monitoring, reporting and quarantine protocols for animals. But because the disease does not create food safety concerns, the agency will not stop any movement of animal products, including meat.

To eradicate the flies, the federal government plans to breed sterile male flies and then release them into areas with established populations. The sterilized males will mate with females, which will then lay unfertilized eggs. With females mating only once in their lifespan, officials say this method progressively reduces and eliminates the fly population.

USDA just broke ground on a \$750 million sterile fly facility in Edinburg,

Texas, that aims to produce up to 300 million sterile flies per week when it opens next year. The agency has also invested in sterile fly facilities in Mexico and Panama.

**Political blame game**

The arrival of the screwworm has ignited political attacks from Washington, D.C., to the Southern border.

At a U.S. Senate oversight hearing earlier this week, Minnesota Democratic Sen. Amy Klobuchar raised concerns about how deep cuts to USDA employment affected the department's ability to combat issues such as the screwworm threat. She noted that the department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service lost 25% of its staff, including more than 300 veterinary services employees.

The Trump administration has sought to deflect blame on previous President Joe Biden.

In that same hearing, Agriculture Secretary Brooke Rollins blamed the previous administration and Mexican cartels' "refusal to crack down" for allowing the screwworm to migrate north.

"Everyone took their eye off the ball years ago, and unfortunately, because of the border policies, it's coming our way," Rollins said.

Meanwhile, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller has called on the federal government to deploy targeted baits that kill screwworm flies before they reproduce. Miller recently lost his GOP primary for reelection.

"The science is settled. The tools are available," Miller said in a news release this week. "What's missing is urgency from the USDA."

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is in a war that went after the food system since most of the food production is locked up with producing energy and commodity crops.

"I think a lot of (the idea for the NSF engines) was this investment in national security, through topical areas that fit into this bucket of what we need to have a secure nation," Mack-

ey said.

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