



City of Muscatine

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Thursday, November 21, 2024

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bark called the City Council meeting for November 21, 2024 to order at 06:00 PM.

2. **INVOCATION- Battalion Chief Gary Ronzheimer**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers Present: Nadine Brockert, John Jindrich, Jeff Osborne, Peggy Gordon, Angie Lewis, Don Lampe, Matt Conard.

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

5. **FROM THE MAYOR**

- A. Swearing in of firefighter Tynan Numkena
- B. Recognition of the Muscatine Community School District Agriculture Teachers
- C. Request to Approve the Appointment of Mike Terry to the Historic Preservation Commission
Councilmember Peggy Gordon, seconded by Councilmember Angie Lewis moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- D. Request to Approve the Appointment of Nathan Sneath to the Historic Preservation Commission
Councilmember Nadine Brockert, seconded by Councilmember Angie Lewis moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- E. Presentation on the Results of a Flood Study Completed by the Iowa Flood Resilient Communities Cohort

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND/OR AS AMENDED

Councilmember Peggy Gordon, seconded by Councilmember Don Lampe moved to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: Ayes -7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

7. COMMUNICATIONS - CITIZENS

8. COUNCILMEMBER FOLLOW UP TO CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

9. CONSENT AGENDA * (ITEMS 10-14)

Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Peggy Gordon, moved to approve the Consent Agenda including Items 10-14. Ayes - 7 , Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

10. * REVIEW AND POTENTIAL VOTE TO APPROVE MINUTES

- A. November 7, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. November 14, 2024 City Council In-Depth Meeting Minutes

11. * PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Request to Approve an Application for Commercial/Industrial Tax Abatement.
- B. Request on second reading of a Class “E” Retail Alcohol License for Market Jalisciense LLC, 1608 Grandview Avenue, Ste. 1 – Market Jalisciense LLC (pending inspections)
- C. Request on second reading of a Class “C” Retail Alcohol License for BigBear’s Bar and Billiards, 218 Walnut Street – BigBear’s LLC (pending inspections)
- D. Request for renewal of a Class “E” Retail Alcohol License for Kum & Go #1436, 416 Cedar Street – Kum & Go LLC (pending inspections)
- E. Request for renewal of a Class “C” Retail Alcohol License for Las Lomas, 1519 Park Avenue – Juan, Inc. (pending inspections)
- F. Request for a 5-day Alcohol Permit for Travelin’ Sips Mobile Bar, 1903 Park Avenue – Travelin’ Sips Mobile Bar LLC (pending inspections and insurance)
- G. Request to Close Dick Drake Way for Repairs to the Railroad Crossing Near Union Tank Car Company

12. * COMMUNICATION – RECEIVE AND FILE

13. * PURCHASE ORDERS AND AGREEMENTS

- A. Request To Approve The Issuance Of A Purchase Order to ASC Pumping Equipment, Inc., In the Amount of \$11,313.00, for the Purchase of a New Aurora Pump for the Aquatic Center.

14. * APPROVAL OF BILLS

- A. November 21, 2024 Bills for Approval Totaling \$2,548,695.32

15. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public Hearing for the Purpose of Hearing Community Comments Regarding the Houser Lift Station Improvement Project.
There were no written or oral comments regarding this public hearing.
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Don Lampe, moved for the public hearing to be closed. Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - None, Motion Passed.

- B. Public Hearing Regarding the Lease of a Portion of Muscatine Municipal Airport Property Located North of the Runways for Development of a Solar Generating Facility.
There were no written or oral comments regarding this public hearing.
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Peggy Gordon, moved for the public hearing to be closed. Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - None, Motion Passed.

16. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

17. FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- A. Request to Waive Third Reading and to Adopt on Second and Final Reading an Ordinance Amending Title 7, Chapter 9 of the City Code of Muscatine, Iowa - Parking Meters and Rates.
Councilmember Peggy Gordon, Seconded by Councilmember Matt Conard, moved to waive the third reading and adopt Ordinance on second and final reading. Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

- B. Resolution Authorizing Special Assessments for Unpaid Abatement Service Fees and Rental Housing Fees to Private Properties
Councilmember John Jindrich, seconded by Councilmember Angie Lewis moved to Adopt the Resolution.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

- C. Resolution Naming Depositories.
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Don Lampe moved

to Adopt the Resolution.

Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

- D. Resolution Accepting Completed Work on the Sunset Park Lighting Project and Authorizing Final Payment
Councilmember Peggy Gordon, seconded by Councilmember Nadine Brockert moved to Adopt the Resolution.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- E. Resolution Setting a Public Hearing on December 5, 2024, for an Ordinance Amending City Code Title 1, Chapter 10, City Officers and Employees
Councilmember Nadine Brockert, seconded by Councilmember Angie Lewis moved to Adopt the Resolution.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- F. Resolution Approving Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, Cost Estimate and Setting a Bid Opening Date for the Houser Lift Station Upgrade Project.
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Peggy Gordon moved to Adopt the Resolution.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- G. Request to Enter Into an Engineering Services Agreement with Veenstra & Kimm, Inc in the Amount of \$19,000.00, for Additional Analysis Of the Park Avenue West Bridge Replacement.
Councilmember Peggy Gordon, seconded by Councilmember Don Lampe moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- H. Request to Approve an Engineering Contract with Stanley Consultants in the Amount of \$849,700.00, for the Water & Resource Recovery Facility Electrical Assets Project.
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Don Lampe moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- I. Request to Approve Contract with Eocene Environmental Group to Provide Technical Services Required for the Lead Hazard Reduction and Healthy Homes Programs
Councilmember Angie Lewis, seconded by Councilmember Peggy Gordon moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.
- J. Request to Permanently Install a Stop Sign on Northbound Bidwell Road at the Intersection of Leroy Street
Councilmember None, seconded by Councilmember None moved to Approve the Request.
Vote: Ayes - 0, Nays - 0, Motion Failed.

- K. Request to Approve Entering into Three Contracts with the Iowa DOT for Buses, Including Accepting Supplemental Shortfall Funding in the amount of \$37,708.00 and \$219,682.00 and Accepting CMAQ 5311 Bus Funding in the amount of \$170,568.00

Councilmember Peggy Gordon, seconded by Councilmember Angie Lewis moved to Approve the Request.

Vote: Ayes - 7, Nays - 0, Motion Passed.

18. MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Gordon requested a pause in any further discussion regarding Parking Strategy for six months to allow for the current changes to be monitored and metrics to be collected. There was a consensus from City Council to pause discussions.

19. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Request to enter closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.i, to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

Councilmember Lewis motioned to enter closed session at 7:03 PM seconded by Councilmember Brockert. Vote Ayes: 7, Nays 0, motion passed.

Present: Councilmembers: Conard, Lampe, Lewis, Brockert, Osborne, Gordon, Jindrich, Mayor Bark, City Attorney Brent Hinders, Marcus Coleman and Jonathon Lewis.

Councilmember Lampe motioned to exit closed session at 7:22 PM seconded by Councilmember Lewis. Vote: Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion passed.

- B. Request to enter closed session pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5.1.i, to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.

Councilmember Brockert motioned to enter closed session at 7:24 PM seconded by Councilmember Conard. Vote Ayes: 7, Nays 0, motion passed.

Present: Councilmembers: Conard, Lampe, Lewis, Brockert, Osborne, Gordon, Jindrich, Mayor Bark, City Attorney Brent Hinders, Marcus Coleman and Jonathon Lewis.

Councilmember Conard motioned to exit closed session at 7:54 PM seconded by Councilmember Lampe. Vote: Ayes 7, Nays 0, motion passed.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Gordon moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:54 PM.