

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 20, 2023
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on July 20, 2023, at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were six council members present, two absent, 2nd Ward Vacant. Carissa Crenshaw, Roslyn Garcia, Shelley Oltmans, Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. John Helenthal and Dan Tillman were absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Cole O'Donnell, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, and Bridge, Cemetery, Park & Sanitation Manager Bob Weis, and Chief of Police Zeth Baum.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Reported of events taking place in Keokuk and surrounding communities.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Sue Prochazka, coordinator from United Way announced a back-to-school festival Friday Aug 4th at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Oltmans to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular City Council meeting & Council Workshop of July 6, 2023;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 267-2023:** Approving a Liquor License for Arrowhead Bowl, 3535 Main Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License – effective August 1, 2023; inspection);
- **RESOLUTION NO. 268-2023:** Approving a Liquor License adding Outdoor Service for Lucky's Irish Pub & Grub, Special Event Rollin on the River, Class C Retail Alcohol License – effective August 17-21, 2023 (pending dram);
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5351-5352;

Mayor Mahoney re-opened the public hearing at 5:37 p.m. which recessed at the July 6, 2023, council meeting. Now is the time and place for a public hearing on development agreement with MBMRE LLC D/B/A Green Oak Development. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on July 12, 2023.

COMMENTS: O'Donnell gave overview of the project.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 269-2023:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH MBMRE LLC D/B/A GREEN OAK DEVELOPMENT." (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to approve the second reading of Ordinance amending Title 20, Section 20.40.020, 20.44.020, 20.60.040, 20.60.090, 20.60.100 (e) and 20.68.020 regarding floor dwellings and front yard setbacks for commercial building."

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS, (2) ABSENT – Tillman and Helenthal, (1) VACANT - 2nd Ward. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve initial reading of an Ordinance repealing certain sections of Title 9 Vehicles and Traffic of the Code of the City of Keokuk.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Crenshaw, Garcia, Oltmans, Andrews, Bryant, and Greenwald.
(6) AYES, (0) NAYS, (2) ABSENT – Tillman and Helenthal, (1) VACANT - 2nd Ward. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 270-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF MOWERS FROM ARMSTRONG TRACTOR FOR THE CEMETERY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT.” (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Greenwald to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 271-2023**: “A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPSAL FROM MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR A COMPREHENSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN.” (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to table approving revised Personnel Policy and Handbook. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS - **TABLED**.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 272-2023**: “A RESOLUTION AWARDDING OAKLAND CEMETERY DERECHO CLEANUP TO WALKER OUTDOOR SERVICES. (5) AYES, (1) NAY-Crenshaw. Motion carried.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: Final notification for Dustin Cackley to the Depot Commission-fulfilling a 4-year term to expire 6/1/2025. Resignation of Nancy Graham from the Keokuk Public Library Board. Motion to approve made by Garcia, second by Oltmans. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Second notification for Paul Schulte to the Airport Commission filling a 6-year term to expire 10/22/2028. First notification for Mark Schickedanz to the Airport Commission, fulfilling a 6-year term to expire 10/22/2025.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS: Garcia, on behalf of Oakland Cemetery Initiative, thanked council for hotel/motel funds and relayed that 5k should be rescheduled soon.

STAFF REPORTS: Wills reported on water pollution control operations; Broomhall requested information on pop-up neighborhood events; Carroll updated on public works operations; Baum informed of testing taking place September 30th, 2023; O’Donnell presented council with updates regarding ARPA, small turbine, and process to implement a reduction of wards.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Greenwald to enter closed session at 6:04 p.m. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried. Closed session under Iowa Code 21.5.1c To discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Motion made by Garcia, second by Oltmans to enter back into regular session at 6:17 p.m. (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Andrews to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 272-2023**: “A RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.” (6) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Garcia requested stop sign on 21st and Des Moines Street.

Motion made by Oltmans, second by Garcia to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m.