

Monday, January 16, 2023
City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Council Chambers - First Floor

212 Third Avenue

Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88184567734>

1. Meeting Opening

Subject : A. Call to Order
Meeting : Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Information

File Attachments

[public comment policy.pdf \(75 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda

Subject : A. Approval of Minutes
Meeting : Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc01032023.pdf \(120 KB\)](#)

Consent

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Bills and Payroll as presented

Public Content

File Attachments

[Accounts Payable by G_L Distribution Report 01_12_2023 11_35_00 AM_Mary McCormick_3D409EVC.pdf \(307 KB\)](#)
[admin_20230112_111622.pdf \(580 KB\)](#)
[12-31-22 Budget Performance Report.pdf \(404 KB\)](#)
[12-31-22 Balance Sheets.pdf \(326 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	C. Proclamation for National Mentoring Month
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of the Proclamation for National Mentoring Month

Public Content

Every January, the mentoring movement unites in celebration of National Mentoring Month and uses the power of our collective voice to recruit new mentors, advance the mentoring fields legislative priorities, and

drive meaningful change for young people. The Big Brothers Big Sisters organization, on behalf of all mentoring programs, has asked the City to recognize the importance of mentoring with this proclamation.

File Attachments

[Proclamation Mentoring 2023 PDF.pdf \(444 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	D. Proclamation Recognizing Martin Luther King Day
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	

Public Content

Please find attached a proclamation honoring the life and lasting legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

File Attachments

[Martin Luther King Day Proclamation 2023.pdf \(411 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	E. Pay Request #2 for 2022 Street Contract Program To Helm Civil in the amount of \$277,295.12
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Staff recommends Approval of Pay Request #2, Final, for 2022 Street Contract Program To Helm Civil in the amount of \$277,295.12

Public Content

On May 16, 2022 the City Council awarded the 2022 Street Program Contract to Helm Civil. This contract included:

- 600 Block 9th Avenue
- 600 Block 11th Avenue
- Alley behind 300 Block of 1st Avenue
- Alley behind 600 Block 1st Avenue
- 1900 Block Avenue E cul-de-sac

- City Hall parking lot (driving lanes only)
- 1901-1955 Oak Grove Avenue
- 1st Ave Parking lot, 400 Block (behind Grummerts/Meads/Theater)
- Parking lot at Public Works
- Waste Water Treatment Plant drive

File Attachments

[Council Agenda Item - Pay Request Helm Civil Final - 2022 Street Program.pdf \(192 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	F. Pay Request #1 for Sanitary Sewer and Manhole Replacement at Avenue and LeFevre in the amount of \$14,545.45
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Staff recommends Approval of Pay Request for Sanitary Sewer and Manhole Replacement at Avenue and LeFevre in the amount of \$14,545.45

Public Content

During excavation to rebuild Ave D, crews noticed a collapse in the line feeding to the manhole in Lefevre. The attached pay request covers the cost to make the required repairs to the line and manhole which were not in the original bid for the Avenue D reconstruction.

File Attachments

[admin_20230109_112622.pdf \(95 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	G. Resolution No. R2023-01-01 Transferring Jurisdiction and Control of Real Property to the Industrial
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Development Commission

Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. R2023-01-01 Transferring Jurisdiction and Control of Real Property to the Industrial Development Commission

Public Content

Public Act 102239 was signed into law in August and allows for local industrial development commission to "use or disposal of surplus real estate owned by the municipality." The statutes that govern the Sterling Industrial Development Commission (SIDC) allow for more option in selling surplus property. By transferring jurisdiction and control of various residential lots in the City to the SIDC, the SIDC can then work to sell and dispose of these lots that the City has maintained and been restricted in the manner in which they can be sold and disposed.

File Attachments

[Res 2023-01-01 Transferring property to SIDC.pdf \(97 KB\)](#)
[802 w 3rd st 001.JPG \(5,204 KB\)](#)
[802 w 3rd st 004.JPG \(2,828 KB\)](#)
[IMG_4051.JPG \(4,266 KB\)](#)

3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	H. Board of Fire & Police Commission 2022 Annual Report
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action, Information
Recommended Action :	Accept the Board of Fire & Police Commission 2022 Annual Report

File Attachments

[2022 Annual Report.pdf \(176 KB\)](#)

6. Presentations and Awards

Subject :	A. Sterling Police Officer of the Year
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Information

8. Business Items

Subject :	A. Approve Agreement with SRF Consulting Group for a Railroad Quiet Zone Study
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Staff Recommends Approving the Agreement with SRF

Public Content

The establishment of a railroad "quiet zone" was identified as a priority to facilitate redevelopment on the Sterling riverfront.

The Federal Train Horn Rule requires trains to sound their horns at all public highway-rail crossings unless specifically exempt by the establishment of a Quiet Zone. A Quiet Zone is a section of a rail line at least one-half mile in length that contains one or more consecutive public highway-rail grade crossings where train horns are not routinely sounded as they approach. Quiet Zones allow communities to improve residents quality of life by reducing the noise pollution caused by train horns without posing a risk to public safety. This is accomplished by adding Supplementary Safety Measures (SSMs) in lieu of horns. Two examples of SSM's include Four-quadrant gates or gates with medians at the approaches to channel traffic.

In October 2022, the City sent out RFQ's for a Railroad Quiet Zone Study to be completed as required by the Federal Railroad Administration. The City received 6 responses to the RFQ. A committee appointed at a Riverfront Commission meeting scored the submissions. A combined ranking process identified the top firms. Of the 5 scorers, SRF Consulting Group was scored #1 by 3 scorers and #2 by the other 2 scorers. SRF Consulting Group had overwhelmingly positive reviews from other cities and has worked with the Union Pacific in Ames , Iowa on the same line that runs through Sterling. SRF also performed a city-wide study for Galesburg among several other communities. The City Manager engaged in negotiations with SRF for an Agreement for a Quiet Zone Study following additional reference checks.

The estimated cost of the study is \$42,034 and would be paid from the Capital Fund as part of the approved Riverfront Development costs. Andrew Mielke, Vice President at SRF Consulting Group will be available online for questions

File Attachments

[SRF Letter Proposal for Sterling IL Quiet Zone_.pdf \(1.626 KB\)](#)

[SRF Submittal for the City of Sterling Railroad Quiet Zone Study.pdf \(11.612 KB\)](#)

11. Adjourn to Study Session

Subject :	A. Rental Inspection Program - Discussion Only
Meeting :	Jan 16, 2023 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Discussion