

Monday, March 18, 2024
City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Council Chambers - First Floor
212 Third Avenue
Link to join Webinar
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85114079522>

1. Meeting Opening

Subject : A. Call to Order
Meeting : Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Mar 18, 2024 - 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 : Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc03042024.pdf \(141 KB\)](#)

Consent

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - 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 03_15_2024 9_09_28 AM_Mary McCormick_3D40AMDS.pdf \(329 KB\)](#)
- [admin_20240315_101002.pdf \(563 KB\)](#)
- [2-29-24 Budget Performance Report.pdf \(409 KB\)](#)
- [2-29-24 Balance Sheets.pdf \(330 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	C. Road Closure Miller Road from 3rd Ave to 5th Ave from 7am to 9pm on Friday March 22, 2024
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Road Closure Miller Road from 3rd Ave to 5th Ave from 7am to 9pm on Friday March 22, 2024

Public Content

Representatives from Sterling High School are requesting to close Miller Road from 3rd Avenue to 5th Avenue from 7 am to 9 pm on Friday, March 22 as well as closing Miller Road from 4th Avenue to 5th Avenue on Saturday, March 23rd. The request is to allow for food truck parking and set up during the IHSA Drama State Finals.

File Attachments

[Food truck petition.pdf \(1.045 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	D. State of Illinois Central Management Rock Salt Joint Participation Agreement
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Authorize Superintendent of Public Works, Brad Schrader to purchase rock salt through State of Illinois Central Management.

Public Content

State of Illinois Central Management Rock Salt Joint Participation Agreement is offered to those governmental units who agree to participate in the CY2024-CY2025 Rock Salt solicitation and who agree to take delivery of required tonnage as specified in the resulting joint purchase master contract(s). The resulting joint purchase master contract(s) will be for a one (1) year term with no options to renew.

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Subject :	E. Pay Request #3 to Nicam Construction in the amount of \$251,010.00
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Pay Request #3 to Nicam Construction in

the amount of \$251,010.00

Public Content

On February 6, 2023 the City Council awarded the bid to Nicam Construction for the Public Works Building Addition Phase 2 in the amount of \$1,512,000.00. This Pay request includes electrical, garage doors, and fire protection

File Attachments

[1165D19 - Phase 2_ Sterling Letter 031524 with attachments.pdf \(1.385 KB\)](#)

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6. Presentations and Awards

Subject :	A. Annual Presentation from Greater Sterling Development Corporation
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Information

Public Content

The first annual presentation of Sterling Greater Sterling Development Corporation by Executive Director Heather Sotelo.

8. Business Items

Subject :	A. Approve MFT General Maintenance Bids
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	City Staff and our Consulting Engineers, Willett, Hofmann & Associates recommend that the City accept bid as presented.

Public Content

Each year the City solicits bids for General Maintenance materials that are purchased with Motor Fuel Tax funds. This year, the City received just one bid. Bituminous patching mixture prices remained the same while agricultural ground limestone decreased by 5%, Bituminous Mixture Complete increased by .87% and aggregate surface course increased by 8.12%.

File Attachments

[1075Z24_2024-03-14_Letter-of-Recommendation.pdf \(404 KB\)](#)
[2024 material proposal.pdf \(82 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	B. Acceptance of the Bid for Concrete for City Curb and Sidewalks.
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	It is the recommendation of the Staff that the City Council award the contract for concrete for the City curb and sidewalks to the low bidder Rock River Ready Mix

Public Content

Every year the City bids out the contract for the concrete to be used for the curbs and sidewalks in the city. Attached are the bid minutes.

Staff recommends accepting the bid from Rock River Ready Mix.

File Attachments

[2024 Sidewalk & Curb Maint Program.pdf \(79 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	C. Resolution No. 2024-03-03 Urging the Illinois Governor to Protect the 1% Grocery Sales Tax
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Approval of Resolution No. 2024-03-03 Urging the Illinois Governor to Protect the 1% Grocery Sales Tax

Public Content

Governor Pritzker has proposed the elimination of the 1% tax on grocery items as part of his proposed 2025 budget. The 1% grocery sales tax is dedicated to the municipalities, it does not benefit the State of Illinois. The elimination of the 1% tax on grocery items would result in the estimated loss of \$1 million to the City of Sterling and \$325 million to municipal governments statewide.

Staff recommends approving Resolution 2024-03-03 Urging the Illinois Governor to Protect the 1% Grocery Sales Tax

File Attachments

[Res 2024-03-03 Protecting Grocery Tax.pdf \(16 KB\)](#)

11. Budget Study Session

Subject :	A. Budget Study Session
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Discussion

Public Content

The following budgets will be discussed

General Fund

Storm water Fund

Capital Fund

Library Fund

File Attachments

[1100 General Fund Budget 24-25.pdf \(651 KB\)](#)

[1600 Stormwater Project Fund and 3800 G O Series 2017 Bond Fund Budget 24-25.pdf \(57 KB\)](#)

[1800 Capital Fund Budget 24-25.pdf \(92 KB\)](#)

[2200 Library Budget 24-25.pdf \(140 KB\)](#)

12. Executive Session

Subject :	A. Adjourn to Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the purchase of real property
Meeting :	Mar 18, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Make a motion to adjourn to closed session as provided under 5ILCS 120/2a for the purpose of discussing the purchase of real property

Public Content

5ILCS 120/2(C) provides the Governing Body with certain exceptions to the Open Meetings Act and allows for the conducting of a "Closed Session".

ILCS 5 Section 120/2a provides "A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public, or close a portion of a meeting to the public, upon a majority vote of a quorum present, taken at a meeting open to the public for which notice has been given as required by this Act". Therefore, the City Council should move by simple majority vote to go into a "Closed Session" for the purpose as stated above.

