

Monday, August 19, 2024
City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
Council Chambers - First Floor
212 Third Avenue

1. Meeting Opening

Subject : A. Call to Order
Meeting : Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Aug 19, 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 : Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc08052024.pdf \(153 KB\)](#)

Consent

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Bills and Payroll as presented

Public Content

File Attachments

[7-31-24 Budget Performance Report.pdf \(409 KB\)](#)
[7-31-24 Balance Sheets.pdf \(324 KB\)](#)
[08.16.2024 Council Finance Packet.pdf \(50 KB\)](#)
[08.19.2024_Council GL Distribution Report.pdf \(400 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	C. Pay Request #8 To Gorman and Company for Engineering and Environmental Work Completed by Fehr Graham in the amount of \$107,500.00
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Pay Request #8 To Gorman and Company for Engineering and Environmental Work Completed by Fehr Graham for \$107,500.00

Public Content

The City selected Gorman & Company as the master developer for the riverfront area in March 2022. In July 2022, the City approved an Agreement with Gorman to undertake a number of activities. Included in the agreement was a budget for their services. Gorman was tasked to aid in the redevelopment of the riverfront area, with a focus on the National and Lawrence sites. This includes planning, design/engineering services

and recruitment of tenants. The Budget has been amended over time as progress is made and different challenges or opportunities arrive. Pay Request 8 was submitted to reimburse for costs associated with ongoing work at the sites.

File Attachments

[Sterling MDA #8 Support.pdf \(2.010 KB\)](#)
[Sterling MDA #8.pdf \(207 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	D. Road Closure Reins Street from Locust to 1st Ave from 9am to 5pm on Saturday September 7, 2024
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Road Closure Reins Street from Locust to 1st Ave from 9am to 5pm on Saturday September 7, 2024

Public Content

Action Power Sports has requested Reins Street be closed to allow for food trucks for an event they are hosting. They have contacted neighbors, but do not intend to close all the way to 1st Avenue to allow access to the other properties.

File Attachments

[Image_20240813_0002.pdf \(163 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	E. Newman Central High School Homecoming Parade on September 20, 2024
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve the petition from Newman Central Catholic High

Public Content

Newman High School petitioned the City to conducttheir annual Homecoming parade on September 20, 2024, at 2:00pm. Attached is the letter from Newman, including the requested route.

File Attachments

[Newman Parade.pdf \(155 KB\)](#)

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8. Business Items

Subject :	A. Ordinance 2024-08-18 Amending Chapter 6 Article II Liquor Licenses Sidewalk Outdoor Permit
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Approval of Ordinance 2024-08-18 Amending Chapter 6 Article II Liquor Licenses Sidewalk Outdoor Permit

Public Content

This ordinance allows businesses that hold a liquor license to apply for an outdoor café permit. The permit authorizes businesses to place chairs and tables on public sidewalks directly outside of their business. Sidewalk seating must allow for a minimum of a five-foot unobstructed pedestrian walkway. A delineation between the café and the sidewalk must be in place. During the off-season, the outside café area may not be used as a storage area, all tables, chairs, and umbrellas must be removed.

File Attachments

[Ord 2024-08-18 Amending Ch 6 Article II Liquor Licenses Sidewalk Outdoor Permit .pdf \(147 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	B. Approve Amended Budget for Master Plan under the Master Developer Agreement
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Amend Budget for Master Plan under the Master Developer Agreement

Public Content

Gorman and Company presented an initial budget in July of 2022, which the City Council approved. The Riverfront Commission recommended a budget to accommodate work to further the Riverfront as well. The budget has been amended as different challenges and opportunities have arisen. The roof at the far west end of the National complex was known to be a problem several years ago. City staff had even sought an estimate to repair back in 2020 due to leaks. The leaks have become far more significant since, requiring urgent attention. Gorman submitted a budget amendment to the Riverfront Commission to accommodate this work as the cost to repair the roof has escalated with time and deterioration. The amendment shifts some, but not all, money from Lawrence for lighting, windows and securing/cleanup. After review and discussion, the Riverfront Commission voted to approve and recommended the Council approve the amended budget. The City can always allocate additional funds if the remaining budgeted amount is not enough to adequately improve Lawrence.

File Attachments

[Gorman Budget Amendment Aug 2024.pdf \(187 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	C. Resolution No. R2024-08-13 Transferring Jurisdiction and Control of Real Property to the Industrial Development Commission
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. R2024-08-13 Transferring Jurisdiction and Control of Real Property to the Industrial Development Commission

Public Content

Public Act 102239 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 lots in the City to the SIDC, the SIDC can then work to sell and dispose of these lots. By Statute, the SIDC has more flexibility in how lots can be sold.

PIN 1121406017 is located at 701 1st Avenue, this property was obtained through judicial deed.

File Attachments

[Resolution 2024-08-13 Transferring to SIDC.pdf \(98 KB\)](#)

11. Study Session

Subject :	A. Study Session For Camping ordinance
Meeting :	Aug 19, 2024 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Discussion

Public Content

On June 28, 2024, the United States Supreme Court in *City of Grants Pass v. Johnson* overturned the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals opinion in *Martin v. Boise*. The 9th Circuit ruled anti-camping laws violate an individual's Eighth Amendment right prohibiting cruel and unusual punishment if those individuals lacked access to alternative shelter. Effectively, it required municipalities to provide sufficient facilities to accommodate people before being allowed to enforce anti-camping laws. Arguably, it only applied to the 9th District, but it left areas outside the 9th District unsure of the applicability.

With the Supreme Court overturning the Ninth Circuit, it gave municipalities assurance that local bans on camping could be legally enforced. In response, the Illinois Municipal League created a model "No Public Camping Ordinance" (attached)

A study session was included to allow for questions or suggestions on the merit of considering such an ordinance.

File Attachments

[Ordinance Template Public Camping.pdf \(523 KB\)](#)