

Monday, September 17, 2018
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 : Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Sep 17, 2018 - 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 : Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc090418.pdf \(123 KB\)](#)

Consent

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Bills and Payroll as presented

Public Content

File Attachments

[8-31-18 Budget Performance Rept.pdf \(384 KB\)](#)
[8-31-18 Bal Sheets.pdf \(327 KB\)](#)
[bills pr 09 17 18.pdf \(417 KB\)](#)
[ap gl dist 09 17 18.pdf \(252 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	C. Petition from Sterling Main Street for a temporary road closure of West 2nd Street between Avenues A and B from 10/10/18 through 10/15/18
Meeting :	Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve Petition from Sterling Main Street requesting a road closure on West 2nd Street between Avenues A and B from 10/10/18 through 10/15/2018

File Attachments

[hops2018.pdf \(1,147 KB\)](#)

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5. Recommended Personnel Action

Subject :	A. Consideration and action on acceptance of Resignation from Alderman Robert Conklin, Ward 3
Meeting :	Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Accept the Resignation from Ward 3 Alderman Robert Conklin

File Attachments

[Conklin Letter of Resignation.pdf \(39 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	A. Snow Ordinance #2018-09-33
Meeting :	Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	It is the recommendation of City staff that the Council approve Ordinance #2018-09-33 amending Chapter 78, Article VII, Section 78-224 Governing Snow and Ice on City Streets and Sidewalks.

Public Content

The current ordinance governing snow and ice on City streets and sidewalks allows snow to be removed from public right of way and placed on to the roadway. City staff has asked that the amended ordinance be adopted to make it unlawful to deposit any snow in the roadway with the exception of the downtown area where there are no places to move or store the snow on site.

Each winter, City staff spends numerous overtime hours trying to keep the streets clear and as safe as possible. Each year staff deals with snow being placed into the streets from sidewalks and driveways, often after the road has already been cleared. In areas, the ROW is 100'. The current ordinance allows snow from City ROW to be deposited in to the roadway which causes hazards for drivers and forcing additional hours of City employees' time and equipment time to cover areas for additional passes. This frustrates neighbors, frustrates employees who have already worked long hours and creates a false perception the City has not done its job.

Staff surveyed neighboring cities. The neighboring cities of Dixon, Morrison and Rock Falls all have ordinances in effect that prohibit piling snow in the street and have anywhere from \$50-\$750 fines for offenders. 21 cities in a larger region responded to a generic survey and 12 of them have ordinances addressing this matter.

File Attachments

[TLS Ordinance Amending Sec 78-224 Governing Snow and Ice on City Streets and Sidewalks.pdf \(211 KB\)](#)

[snow ord survey 2018.pdf \(44 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	B. Award Bid for Avenue G Project
Meeting :	Sep 17, 2018 - City Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	It is the recommendation of City Engineer, Willett Hofmann & Associates, to award the contract for the Avenue G Project to Era-Valdivia Contractors, Inc in the amount of \$465,281.94

Public Content

After a routine inspection, our engineers determined that the City's portion of the Avenue G bridge over the railroad and Wallace Street required some maintenance. Items included addressing the concrete on the piers and the slope walls underneath the bridge, applying a special epoxy coating to the steel beneath the joints in the bridge, and rehabilitating the deck joints as was done by the State over the river section a few years earlier. The City solicited bids last year and rejected them due to bids being well over the engineer's estimate. Our engineers at WHA modified the plans and went for bid again this year. The bids were in line with the engineer's estimate and less than last year. This project will begin in the fall and not be completed until the spring of 2019 due to the winter and the lead time to source the replacement joints. There will be a temporary closure as there was before when the joints over the river span were replaced. This closure will likely take place in the spring when the contractor is ready to replace the joints.

File Attachments

[Ave G Project 2018.pdf \(134 KB\)](#)

[ave g 2018.pdf \(845 KB\)](#)