

Monday, September 19, 2022
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 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : B. Roll Call
Meeting : Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

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Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance
Meeting : Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Procedural

2. Communication from Visitors

Subject : A. Public Comment
Meeting : Sep 19, 2022 - 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 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type : Action (Consent)
Recommended Action : Approval of Minutes as presented

File Attachments

[cc09062022.pdf \(99 KB\)](#)

Consent

Our adopted rules of Parliamentary Procedure, Robert's Rules, provide for a consent agenda listing several items for approval of the Board by a single motion. Most of the items listed under the consent agenda have gone through Board subcommittee review and recommendation. Documentation concerning these items has been provided to all Board members and the public in advance to assure an extensive and thorough review. Items may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any board member.

3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	B. Approval of Bills and Payroll
Meeting :	Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approval of Bills and Payroll as presented

Public Content

File Attachments

[8-31-22 Budget Performance Report.pdf \(400 KB\)](#)

[8-31-22 Balance Sheets.pdf \(333 KB\)](#)

[Accounts Payable by G_L Distribution Report 09_01_2022 12_02_50 PM_Mary McCormick_3D4092JC.pdf \(430 KB\)](#)

[bills payable and payroll.pdf \(596 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	C. Pay Request #1 for 2022 Street Contract Program To Helm Civil in the amount of \$530,117.22
Meeting :	Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Staff recommends Approval of Pay Request #1 for 2022 Street Contract Program To Helm Civil in the amount of \$530,117.22

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

Most work has been complete, though the City is working with the contractor to develop corrections to some areas that are draining improperly at Wastewater and the alley between the American Legion and Citgo. The engineers believe the retainage is sufficient to pay for repairs if necessary.

File Attachments

[Pay Request Helm Civil - 2022 Street Program Sept 2022.pdf \(149 KB\)](#)

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3. Consent Agenda

Subject :	D. Resolution No. R2022-09-12 to close streets for Christmas Walk on Friday, December 2, 2022
Meeting :	Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action :	Approve Resolution No. R2022-09-12 to close streets for Christmas Walk on Friday, December 2, 2022

Public Content

Sterling Main Street and the Sauk Valley Area Chamber are preparing the Christmas Walk to be held on Friday, December 2, 2022. This Resolution outlines the time of closures for IDOT.

File Attachments

[R2022-09-12 christmas walk.pdf \(98 KB\)](#)

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6. Presentations and Awards

Subject : A. Recognize Sterling High School Senior Alice Sotelo

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Type : Action

Public Content

Sterling High School Senior, Alice Sotelo, earned the IHSA Class 2A state championship in the triple jump May 21 at Eastern Illinois University. Sotelo was in second place after the preliminary round at State and remained in second place with one attempt left in the finals. Sotelo needed to surpass 11.30 meters to take the lead, she completed her final jump of the season with a Sterling High School record with a 11.36m effort to move into first place.

File Attachments

[Sotelo Proclamation 2022 PDF.pdf \(109 KB\)](#)

6. Presentations and Awards

Subject : B. Letters of Recognition for the Sterling Fire Department 150th Anniversary

Meeting : Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

Type : Information

Public Content

On Saturday, September 10th, 2022 the Sterling Fire Department celebrated the 150th anniversary of the departments organization.

An open house was held, the department was presented with two separate acknowledgments from the State of Illinois.

The first is from the 102nd General assembly House of Representatives, Tony McCombie, recognizing the 150th Anniversary of providing emergency services for the City of Sterling.

The second was presented by Illinois State Representative Cheri Bustos which was a proclamation read on the floor of the State Capital during the 117th congress's second session. This congressional record serves to honor the Sterling Fire Department on the 150th Anniversary of serving and protecting the City of Sterling and surrounding communities.

8. Business Items

Subject : A. Presentation of Annual Audited Financial Statements for FY 2021/2022

Meeting : Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm

Type : Action

Recommended Action : It is the recommendation of City staff to accept the April

30, 2022 audited financial statements and place them on file.

Public Content

Attached is a copy of the fiscal year 2021/2022 audited financial statements. The audit was performed by the independent auditing firm of Hopkins & Associates. The audit reflects the City's financial position and demonstrates that the City is in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Joel Hopkins from Hopkins & Associates is present to answer any questions that you may have regarding the audit.

File Attachments

[2022 Audit Presentation Handout.pdf \(690 KB\)](#)
[City of Sterling - 2022 Audit Report.pdf \(6,338 KB\)](#)

8. Business Items

Subject :	B. Approve \$250,000 in ARPA Funds SIDC for Housing Related Items
Meeting :	Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Action
Recommended Action :	Approval of \$250,000 in ARPA Funds to SIDC for Housing Related Items

Public Content

SIDC has requested \$250,000.00 from the ARPA Committee to be used and approved by SIDC for future housing needs within Sterling. The housing needs may include, but are not limited to:

1. Dilapidated Housing Acquisition
2. Housing Rehabilitation
3. Land Acquisition
4. Dilapidated Housing Demolition
5. New home construction on SIDC owned lots (single or multi)

The proposed uses shown above are in order of priority as determined by the SIDC. Any use of the money will be approved by SIDC.

This brings commitments of ARPA funds to \$676,500, with \$1,319,661 remaining.

8. Business Items

Subject :	C. Ordinance 2022-09-26 Authorizing Economic Development Grant to FTH Holdings LLC
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Type :	Action

Public Content

FTH Holdings (FTH) previously entered into a real estate contract to exchange property between FTH and SIDC. As part of the exchange of the properties, the City agreed to economic incentives for the restoration of 405 16th Avenue. 405 16th Ave is a multiplex in a very good location across from Lincoln Park, but had been severely damaged in a fire and ultimately transferred to the SIDC after years of sitting vacant. This grant to FTH Holdings LLC will assist in the development of housing opportunities within the City of Sterling in a prime location for reuse and restoration. The grant is for \$3,246 per year for 5 years, a total of \$16,230.

File Attachments

[Ordinance 2022-09-26 Authorizing Economic Dev Grants to FTH.pdf \(17 KB\)](#)

11. Executive Session

Subject :	A. Move to "Closed Session" as provided for under 5 ILCS 120/2 for th purposes of discussion related to the purchase or leasing of real property
Meeting :	Sep 19, 2022 - Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
Type :	Discussion, Procedural

Public Content

5 ILCS 120/2 provides the Governing Body with certain exceptions to the Open Meetings Act and allows for the conducting of a closed session. Provisions of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) specifically provide for a closed session to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body.

It is the policy of the City of Sterling to conduct discussions relating to the purchasing or leasing of real property in such a closed session. Therefore, the City Council should move by simple majority vote to go into a closed session for the above purpose as provided for under 5 ILCS 120/2.