ARNOLDS PARK, IA
REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 14, 2026 5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Smith, Pas, Richter, Adams, Christensen, Mayor Hussong presided. OTHERS PRESENT: Ron Walker, Al Krueger, Kara Rice, Deb and Ed Lenners, Bryan Larson, David Duhn, Victor VanPelt, Curt Strouth, Jenny Dykema, Trevor Smith, Brian Smith, Mary Dreier, Kylan Fitzgerald, Kevin Sander, Jon Pausley, Suzie Wilmont, Brett Salzwedel, Jennifer Ackerson, Cris and Lou Ann Goeb, Blain Andera, George Bouwer, Cindy Voss, Logan Axne.

Motion to amend the Agenda to include a Street Closure and a Transient Merchant Permit. Christensen/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda consisting of Minutes, Claims, Clerks & Treasurer's reports. Richter/Pas. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

Motion to approve a Street Closure and Transient Merchant Permit for Lake Street on January 24, 2026, for the Iowa Great Lakes Chamber of Commerce. Christensen/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

POSITION CHANGES AND NEW EMPLOYEES: Bryan Larson has been promoted to Public Works Director and Victor VanPelt has been promoted to Water Superintendent. New employees include Kylan Fitzgerald in Street Maintenance, David Duhn in Parks Maintenance, and Logan Axne in the Police Department.

UPPER DES MOINES OPPORTUNITY: A funding request from Upper Des Moines Opportunity in the amount of $550 was received.

CAASA: CAASA requests $4,000 in funding for FY 2027.

DICKINSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM: Mary Dreier updated the Council of the renovations and additions at the Museum and requested funding in the amount of $5,000.

HISTORIC ARNOLDS PARK INC.: CEO Jon Pausley requested $15,000 in funding and a partnership with the Arnolds Park Fire Department, Police Department, and City by sponsoring a community night.

RIDES: Cindy Voss requested $5,000 in funding to support the Regional Transit Authority.

IOWA LAKES CORRIDOR: Curt Strouth gave the Council the annual report for the Corridor and requested $4,500 for FY 2027.

TEAM WAVE: Chris Goeb thanked the City employees for their help in the summer of 2025 and requested a budget of $4,850 to be used in the beautification of the Cemetery Wall and the Highway 71 and Broadway Street intersection.

ELECTRIC LINE EASEMENTS: Alliant Energy is requesting easements to put underground lines along Minnewashta Beach Road that will affect two parcels. Parcel No. 07302797037 **RESOLUTION NO. 01-2026** INTENT TO GRANT A PERPETUAL EASEMENT TO INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY; AND, TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2026 AT 5:30 P.M. Introduced by: Richter. Seconded by: Adams. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Pas, Richter, Christensen, Smith, Adams. Nays: None. Parcel No. 0730279003 **RESOLUTION NO. 02-2026** INTENT TO GRANT A PERPETUAL EASEMENT TO INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY; AND, TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2026 AT 5:30 P.M. Introduced by: Christensen. Seconded by: Pas. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Pas, Richter, Christensen, Smith, Adams. Nays: None.

IOWA STREET EXCESS RIGHT OF WAY: The City has been approached to sell 284 square feet of right of way located along Iowa Street. Walker stated that the City has already sold multiple portions of right of way along the route. **RESOLUTION NO. 03-2026** INTENT TO SELL VACATED RIGHT-OF-WAY ON IOWA STREET; AND, TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2026 AT 5:30 P.M. Introduced by: Pas. Seconded by: Richter. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Pas, Richter, Christensen, Smith, Adams. Nays: None.

ARNOLDS PARK CIVIC COMPLEX: **RESOLUTION NO. 04-2026** APPROVING AIA DOCUMENT G701-2017 CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 RESULTING IN A CONTINGENCY SUM DECREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF $47,346.99 PER THE RECOMMENDATION OF CANNON MOSS BRYGGER & ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS. Introduced by: Adams. Seconded by: Pas. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Pas, Richter, Christensen, Smith, Adams. Nays: None. Motion to approve Pay Application No. 7 in the amount of $628,784.17 to Hausmann Construction per the recommendation of CMBA. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

MINNEWASHTA CAMPGROUND BOAT RAMP: Upon the City's request for dock repair, the Iowa Department of Natural Resources discovered no record of ownership for the boat ramp or dock located at Minnewashta Campground. Motion to set a Public Hearing for February 11, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the dock and boat ramp at 7 Bascom Street. Richter/Christensen. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

MAYORAL AND COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS: Mayor Hussong appointed Matt Richter as Mayor Pro-tem, Al Krueger as Police Chief, Linda Nase as City Treasurer with terms set to expire December 31, 2027. Mayor Hussong also adjusted the terms for the Library Board members Sandy Sidles term ending July 1, 2030, Amy Pas and Robb Keizer with terms ending July 1, 2032 to coincide with the City's Ordinance requirements.

Motion to approve Linda Nase as City Clerk and Zoning Administrator with Kevin Sander as City Attorney with terms expiring December 31, 2027; Mike Julius to Planning and Zoning term

ending January 1, 2031; Jason Christensen and John Adams (alternate) to the Park Board terms ending February 10, 2028, Ron Walker, Randy Pas, Jamie Smith (alternate) to the Water Quality Commission terms expiring December 31, 2027; Matt Richter as Claims Reviewer, Jim Hussong to the Emergency Management Board, Jamie Smith to the Street Committee and the Finance Committee. Richter/Adams. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

Motion to go into closed session at 6:23 p.m. pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(c). Christensen/Adams. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Richter, Smith, Adams, Pas, Christensen. Nays: None.
Motion to return to open session at 7:02 p.m. Richter/Adams. The roll was called and the vote was: Ayes: Richter, Smith, Adams, Pas, Christensen. Nays: None.
Motion to direct City Attorney Kevin Sanders to proceed with negotiations on the liquor license and conditions subject to final approval by the City. Pas/Smith. Ayes: Five. Nays: None.

MISCELLANEOUS NON-ACTION ITEMS: Rice presented the Council with a rendering of the Library Treehouse.

Motion to adjourn. Pas/Richter. Ayes: Five. Nays: None. Mayor Hussong declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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Jim Hussong, Mayor

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Linda Nase, City Clerk