

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF FOREST CITY, IOWA
April 06, 2026**

Mayor Ron Holland called the Regular Council Meeting to order at 7:00 PM on April 6, 2026, in the City Hall Council Chambers, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Present: Ron Holland, Karl Wooldridge, Al Stokka, Brad Buffington, Carly Carper, Dan Davis (via Google Meet), Marcia Tweeten, and Nicolas Determann.

Approval Of Consent Agenda

Motion by Tweeten, second by Carper to approve the consent agenda, which included the previous meeting minutes, board and committee minutes, the full claims list, and liquor license renewals for Casey's and HyVee. Motion carried unanimously.

3 Bids for Light Cleaning and Televising of Sanitary Sewer Main

The City received three bids for cleaning and televising approximately 9,400 feet of sanitary sewer. VisuSewer submitted the low bid of \$16,580.96, and staff recommended awarding the contract. Motion by Buffington, second by Carper to award the contract to VisuSewer. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay Request No. 17 – Staab Construction (WWTP Improvements)

Staab Construction submitted Pay Request No. 17 in the amount of \$672,752.95 for ongoing wastewater treatment plant improvements. The engineer reviewed and recommended payment. Motion by Wooldridge, second by Tweeten to approve the pay request. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance Revision – Chapter 82, Alternative Street Vehicles

This item was tabled until the April 20, 2026 meeting pending availability of the enacting ordinance.

Telecommunications Work – Installation Standards

Discussion was held regarding installation standards for telecommunications infrastructure to ensure consistent expectations for work in the rightofway. With council acknowledgment, Tony will schedule a Street Committee meeting to review possible changes and return recommendations.

TIF LMI SetAside – Down Payment Assistance Program

Discussion was held on using LowtoModerate Income TIF funds for a down payment assistance program. The proposed program would allow up to \$20,000 in assistance for homes up to five years old, supporting four qualifying buyers. Motion by Tweeten, second by Carper to have a resolution drafted and presented at the April 20, 2026 meeting. With one Nay vote from Buffington, the motion carried.

Independent Financial Auditor Authorization

Betty presented the RFP results for the City's independent financial auditor. One proposal was received—from TP Anderson Financial Services. Motion by Wooldridge, second by Carper to accept the proposal. Motion carried unanimously.

Set Public Hearing Date – FY27 Budget

Betty recommended setting the public hearing for the FY27 Budget for April 20, 2026 at 7:00 PM. Motion by Buffington, second by Wooldridge to set the hearing date. Motion carried unanimously.

Staff Reports

Department supervisors provided operational updates. No action taken.

Public Forum

The Council heard from a resident at 735 W M St. No action taken.

Adjournment

Motion by Wooldridge, second by Determann to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.