CITY OF ALTOONA COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 2026, 6:30 P.M.
AT THE ALTOONA CITY HALL

1. CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call at 6:30 pm

Mayor O'Connor– present	Duer – present	Dunwoody - present
Evans – present	McFadden – absent	Stewart - present

City Officials Present: Randy Pierce, Mitch Bartleson, Jared Ogbourne, Scott Atzen, John Dostart, John Shaw, Dan Scott, Chad Quick, Patti Murray, Jeff Bierl, Andy Lent, and City Attorney Dariann Garrison-Nickerson.

Audience Present: Chad Lane, Todd Rector, Marcus Miller, Cathy Miller, Jenny Peterson, Rob Peterson and Jonathan Marshall.

2. Perfecting and approval of the agenda.

Mayor Dean O'Connor requested agenda be approved as presented.
Roll Call Vote:
_2_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _1_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

3. Approval of August 17, 2026, Council Minutes.

Roll Call Vote:
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

4. Citizens request to address council.

John Marshall, 1536 Tuscany Drive SE, Altoona stated he came to talk about concerns regarding the flock camera system. He does understand the benefits but does not feel that the benefits outweigh the rights of those impacted by it.

Jenny Peterson, 1137 9th Street SE, Altoona stated she has been an Altoona resident for nearly 30 yrs. She has questions regarding Axon Camera's installation in three locations 15th Street SE and 7th Avenue, 7th Avenue SE and 13th Street SE, and at the roundabout at 8th Street SE and Falcon Drive. She said she supports our city officials, police department, and first responders. Her questions are about cameras at the neighborhood level. She will e-mail questions about number of criminal cases with regards to neighborhood cameras, cost, maintenance and training.

Mayor O'Connor stated he is a big supporter of the LPR's. He stated there will be continued discussions in the future and the council will make the decisions about them. Mayor O'Connor thanked everyone for coming.

5. Swearing in of new Officers Sidney Lederman and Megan Miller for completing the ILEA and becoming certified police officers. Also swearing in Certified Officer Jake Hedgecock .

Mayor O'Connor swore in Officers Sidney Lederman, Megan Miller, and Jake Hedgecock.

6. Public hearing to consider a rezoning of approximately 0.85 acres from C-2 (General Commercial District) to C-6 (Commercial Entertainment/Recreational District) generally located on the east side of 34th Ave SW between 8th St SW to the south and NE Hubbell Ave. to the north.

Community Development Director John Shaw stated this ordinance is to approve a rezoning from C-2 (General Commercial) to C-6 (Commercial Entertainment/Recreational District). The proposed rezoning will allow for a proposed waterslide addition to Adventureland's Waterpark in Adventure Bay.

Hearing opened at 6:46pm
Comments: None
Hearing closed at 6:46pm

7. **Ordinance amending the "Code of Ordinances" of the City of Altoona, Iowa, 2025, Chapter 165, to change the Official Zoning Map to rezone certain properties.**
Roll Call Vote (1st Reading):
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)
Roll Call Vote(2nd & 3rd Reading):
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)
Roll Call Vote (To Publish):
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0

8. **Resolution to approve a site plan for Adventureland waterslide addition in Adventure Bay Waterpark.**
Community Development Director John Shaw stated this resolution is to approve a Site Plan for Adventureland waterslide addition in Adventure Bay Waterpark. The site is located just south of the existing waterpark and immediately north of Aldi's. The plan proposes a waterslide and maintenance/pump house building.
Roll Call Vote:
_Y_ Duer _1_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

9. **Resolution to re-approve a site plan for Equipment Share.**
Community Development Director John Shaw stated this resolution is to re-approve a Site Plan for Equipment Share. The plan proposes the construction of an 11,869 sq ft building generally located in our northwest industrial area.
Councilmember Dunwoody motioned approval subject to deficiencies being met.
Roll Call Vote:
_2_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _1_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

10. **Consider waiving sewer fee request from resident of 1007 3rd Avenue SE in the amount of $274.08.**
City Administrator Randy Pierce stated in your packet is a letter from the resident of 1007 3rd Ave SE, who is requesting a waiver of sewer fees on water used from the outside spigot. The resident was alerted by city staff to a high amount of water being used. Homeowner then realized that her father who had been watering the garden had left the hose on. City staff confirmed the outside water use.
Roll Call Vote:
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

11. **Consider waiving sewer fee request from resident of 1629 17th Street SE in the amount of $148.46.**
City Administrator Randy Pierce stated in your packet is a letter from the resident of 1629 17th St. SE, who is requesting a wavier of sewer fees on water used from an outside source. The resident discovered a hose that had burst and a yard that was very wet. City staff went to the residents to verify the situation and confirmed the very wet yard.
Roll Call Vote:
_2_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _1_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

12. **Consider Consent Agenda**
    a) **Allow Bills**
    b) **Pay Apps**
        - **B1) Change Order #1 – Granite Excavating, LLC – Townsend Park Watershed Improvements, Phase 1 - $32,074.00.**
        - **B2) Pay App #10 – Granite Excavating, LLC - Townsend Park Watershed Improvements, Phase 1 - $9,384.51.**
        - **B3) Pay App #4 – Price Electric – Altoona Phase 2 Fiber Deployment - $44,263.96.**
        - **B4) Pay App #002 – Max Smith Construction, LLC – Well No.5 Raw Water Transmission Main and NE 80th Street Water Transmission Main - $981,955.99.**
        - **B5) Pay App #3 – Gingerich Well & Pump Service, LLC – Jordan Well No. 5 - $620,800.00.**

c) **Resolution of support for an application for financial assistance to the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA) under the business investment for growth (big) program for Summit Products.**
d) **Consider approving Letter Agreement Amendment #2 Phase 2 fiber project with Olsson. This amendment covers the new Public Works buildings, the Aquatics Building, new Fire Station, and utility relocates on Adventureland Dr.**
e) **Consider approving the Mayor's appointment to the Library Board. Amy Drake – Term expires 6/30/2031.**
f) **Consider approving Terracon Agreement for Materials Testing Services in the amount of $17,680.00 for Townsend Park Watershed Improvements-Ph.3.**
g) **Consider Event Request -**
   1) **Panda Fest – Outlets of Des Moines – October 2 - 4, 2026**
h) **Beer and Liquor Permits**
   1) **Fareway Stores Inc. #925 – Class E Retail License (LE)**
   2) **Super Stop – Class E Retail License (LE)**
   3) **Hy-Vee Fast & Fresh – Class E Retail License (LE)**
   4) **Sugar Shack Diner – Special Class C Retail License (BW)**
   5) **Panda Fest (Spirit of Hope) Class C Retail License 5 day license**

Roll Call Vote:
_1_ Duer _Y_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

13. Department Head Reports & Updates

The following gave updates: Police Department–Mitch Bartleson, Fire Department-Jared Ogbourne, Public Utilities-Dan Scott, Public Works–Scott Atzen, Engineering-John Dostart, Community Development–John Shaw, Economic Development-Chad Quick, HR-Patti Murray, IT-Jeff Bierl, Finance-Andy Lent, City Administrator–Randy Pierce.

14. General Business

15. Adjourn at 6:58pm

Roll Call Vote:
_Y_ Duer _1_ Evans _A_ McFadden _2_ Dunwoody _Y_ Stewart (4-0)

Attest to: _____ _____

Randy Pierce, City Clerk **Dean O'Connor, Mayor**