CITY OF INDIANOLA COUNCIL MEETING
September 8, 2026
6:00 PM
City Council Chambers
110 N 1st Street, Indianola, IA
Minutes

Call to Order
The Indianola City Council met in regular session at 6:00 PM on September 8, 2026 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Steve Richardson called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Josh Rabe (via Teams), Ron Dalby, Tiffany Davis, Mellisa Sones, Bob Lane. Absent: Steve Armstrong.

Oath of Office
Mayor Richardson issued the Oath of Office to Officer Luke Gilder.

Public Comment
Chloe Tyson was introduced as the City's Public Information Officer.

Consent Agenda
The resolution setting a public hearing on a budget amendment was pulled from the consent agenda. Council Member Dalby moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Sones seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda was as follows:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Claims
- Approval of Minutes of the prior meetings
- Resolution 2026-174 setting dates of a consultation and a public hearing on proposed Amendment No. 1 to the Kentucky Ridge/North 6th Street Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Indianola, State of Iowa.
- Consideration of the approval of a liquor license renewal for Bush's Place LLC doing business as The Hideout.
- Consideration of the approval of a liquor license renewal for Fareway Stores Inc. doing business as Fareway Store #657.
- Consideration of the issuance of a new liquor license to CNDJ Ventures doing business as The Sports Page.
- Consideration of the issuance of a new liquor license to CNDJ Ventures LLC doing business as Brickhouse Tavern.
- Consideration of the approval of a refuse hauling permit renewal to T.R.M. Disposal LLC.
- Third consideration and adoption of an ordinance (No 1800) amending Ordinance Nos 1026, 1137, 1218, 1322, 1336, 1428, 1217, 1314, 1396, 1549, 1613, 1616, 1668, 1671, 1717, AND 1761 and providing that general property taxes levied and collected each year on certain property located within the amended Hillcrest/Downtown Unified Urban Renewal Area, in the City of Indianola, Couty of Warren, State of Iowa, shall no longer be divided under Iowa Code Section 403.19 in connection with certain subareas of the Hillcrest/Downtown Unified Urban

Renewal Area (Removing “Hillcrest Amendment No. 3 Subarea” and “Downtown Amendment No. 1 Subarea” from Division of Taxes).
- Second consideration of an ordinance amending City Code Chapters 151-153, 155-160, 161A, and adoption of the 2024 International Codes, 2024 Uniform Plumbing Code, and the 2023 National Electric Code (NEC, NFPA 70) for the City of Indianola.
- Resolution 2026-176 authorizing the assignment of The Sports Page, Inc Public Right-of-Way Lease Agreement.
- Resolution 2026-177 accepting the Local Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services Grant through the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing for the Fire Department.
- Resolution 2026-178 authorizing an agreement with Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.
- Resolution 2026-179 amending the Fee Schedule for Police Department fees.
- Approval of Urban Revitalization Designations
- Resolution 2026-180 approving salaries.

Council Member Davis moved to approve Resolution 2026-175 setting a public hearing for September 21, 2026 at 6 PM to amend the Fiscal Year 27 budget. Lane seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Reports
Council Member Sones moved to approve the reappointment of Lee Bash to the Board of Adjustment for a term beginning July 1, 2026 and ending July 1, 2031. Dalby seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Sones reported on the South-Central Iowa Landfill Board.

Mayor's Report
Mayor Richardson issued a National Day of Service and Remembrance Proclamation and a Childhood Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation.

Mayor Richardson gave a community update.

Council Member Lane moved to approve the appointment of Cori Stanley to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term beginning July 1, 2026 and ending July 1, 2028. Sones seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

New Business
Council Member Davis moved to approve the first consideration of an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Indianola, Iowa by amending Chapter 96, regarding abatement of sewer violations. Lane seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Sones moved to approve Resolution 2026-181 approving a Memorandum of Understanding between Quail Meadows Townhomes Association, Hudson Property Management Group, LLC and the City of Indianola, Iowa. Dalby seconded it. Matt Hudson, Hudson Property Management, discussed the seeding. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Lane moved to approve Resolution 2026-182 authorizing the creation of a part-time Clerk/Finance Office Assistant. Dalby seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Davis moved to receive and file the Fiscal Year 28 Budget Calendar. Dalby seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Rabe, Dalby, Davis, Sones, Lane. NAYS: None. Whereas the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Other Business
City Manager Jacob Meshke reported on City departments.

The Council directed staff to schedule a joint meeting with the School Board for December 14 at 6:15 PM at the School Administration Building. Topics of interest are SRO initiatives and activities, City development and road construction projects, and school facilities and growth planning.

Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM on a motion by Dalby and seconded by Davis. Question was called for and on voice vote the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

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Steve Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jackie Raffety, City Clerk