1. The Regular Meeting of the City Council was held on March 9, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. The following Council Members were present on call of the roll: Berenstein, Bertrand, Rayford, Schoenherr, and Scott. Absent: None.

Staff members present: Michael Collett, Interim City Manager, Nicole M. DuBois, City Attorney, and Heidi Farrens, City Clerk.

Mayor Scott read a commendation for Bob and Julie Mesmer on the occasion of their retirement, Bob and Julie Mesmer accepting.

Mayor Scott, on behalf of the City Council, proclaimed March 2026 "National Brain Injury Awareness Month" in Sioux City, Jennifer McCabe, Opportunities Unlimited President, accepting.

2. The Council interviewed the following applicants:
   A. Parking and Skywalk System Board of Trustees: Sam Avery
   B. Wastewater Treatment Plant Reconstruction and Design Advisory Committee: Dean Bradham, Jose Montes, and Andrew Prichard

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion by Berenstein, seconded by Rayford, to adopt the Consent Agenda, all voting aye. Items 3 through 11D are approved unanimously unless specifically noted after the item.**

3. Reading of the City Council Minutes of March 2, 2026.

**Reading of the minutes of March 2, 2026, was waived and as part of the consent agenda the minutes were approved as presented.**

4. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION - Motion appointing Kathryn Pfaffle to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028, replacing Michelle Pick, upon due consideration of the circumstances the City Council waives the policy that no person shall serve on more than one board or commission. **2026-0210**

5. PROPERTY TAX LEVY - Resolution fixing date for a meeting on the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Proposed Property Tax Levy of the City of Sioux City, State of Iowa, and providing for publication of notice thereof. **2026-0211**

6. ACTIONS RELATING TO BONDS

   A. GO BOND GCP-1 - Resolution fixing date for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of not to exceed $1,384,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes of the City of Sioux City, State of Iowa (for general corporate purposes (GCP-1)), and providing for publication of notice thereof. **2026-0212**

   B. GO BOND GCP-2 - Resolution fixing date for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of not to exceed $1,384,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes of the City of Sioux City, State of Iowa (for general corporate purposes (GCP-2)), and providing for publication of notice thereof. **2026-0213**

C. GO BOND ECP - Resolution fixing date for a meeting on the proposition to authorize a Loan Agreement and the issuance of not to exceed $25,000,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes of the City of Sioux City, State of Iowa (for essential corporate purposes (ECP)), and providing for publication of notice thereof. **2026-0214**

7. ACTIONS RELATING TO AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS

A. RICHARD HANSEN - Resolution awarding a Service Provider Agreement to Richard Hansen of Sioux City, Iowa, in an amount not to exceed $70,000 for the Maintenance and Garbage Collections at various City locations and right of way locations. (RFB No. 291567) **2026-0215**

B. BLACK & VEATCH - Resolution approving a Consulting Services Agreement with Black & Veatch to perform a Comprehensive Wastewater Treatment Plant Environmental Audit. **2026-0216**

C. C&C LAWNCARE - Resolution approving Renewal Option No. 2 to the Service Provider Agreement with C&C Lawncare, Inc. of Sioux City, Iowa, for an additional one (1) year period in connection with the 2026 Public Works Seeding Project commencing March 25, 2026, and ending March 24, 2027, in an amount not to exceed $80,000. **2026-0217**

D. SIOUXLAND DEVELOPERS AGREEMENT - Resolution authorizing and approving a First Amendment to the Development Agreement and Minimum Assessment Agreement with Siouxland Developers, LLC in connection with the development of a portion of property located at 3400 Line Drive. **2026-0218**

E. SIOUXLAND DEVELOPERS DEED - Resolution authorizing and approving a Corrective City Deed to Siouxland Developers, LLC in connection with the development of a portion of property located at 3400 Line Drive. **2026-0219**

8. ACTIONS AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS

A. CRAMER AND ASSOCIATES - Resolution approving Change Order No. 5, accepting the work, and authorizing final payment to Cramer and Associates, Inc. for the FY 2025 Bridge Overlays Project. (Project No. 7198-719-206) **2026-0220**

B. I&A CONSTRUCTION - Resolution accepting the work and authorizing final payment to I&A Construction, LLP for the FY 2024 and FY 2025 Sidewalk Ramp Project. (Project No. 7237-759-114) **2026-0221**

C. STEVE HARRIS - Resolution accepting the work and authorizing final payment to Steve Harris Construction, Inc. for the Glen Oaks Boulevard Paving Project. (Teton Trace to Outer Drive) (Project No. 7098-719-121) **2026-0222**

9. ACTIONS RELATING TO PROPERTY

A. W 17TH ST/ANDERSON - Resolution proposing to sell certain real property. (the vacated East/West alley adjacent to 2121 West 17th Street) (Petitioner: James and Helen Anderson) (Purchase price: $344.96 plus costs) **2026-0223**

B. W 17TH ST/DOLAN - Resolution proposing to sell certain real property. (the vacated North/South alley adjacent to 2101 West 17th Street, 1705 John Street, and 1715 John Street and the vacated East/West alley adjacent to 2101 West 17th Street, 2115 West 17th Street, and 2117 West 17th Street) (Petitioner: Michael and Hannah Dolan) (Purchase price: $1,958.39 plus costs) **2026-0224**

C. S CYPRESS ST - Resolution proposing to sell certain real property. (a portion of the vacated East/West alley adjacent to 2423 South Cypress Street) (Petitioner: Deborah and Timothy Angerman) (Purchase price: $1,100.38 plus costs) **2026-0225**

10. APPLICATIONS FOR ALCOHOL LICENSES

A. ON-PREMISE SALES

1. CLASS C RETAIL ALCOHOL LICENSE (liquor/wine/beer/carry-out)
   a. IBP Ice Center, 3808 Stadium Drive (New 5 Day)

11. BOARD, COMMISSION, AND COMMITTEE MINUTES

A. Civil Service Commission – December 30, 2025, January 14, 22, 23, and February 17, 2026
B. Historic Preservation Commission – January 6, 2026
C. Library Board of Trustees – February 18, 2026
D. Parking and Skywalk System Board of Trustees – February 18, 2026

*-End of Consent Agenda -*

**RECOMMENDATIONS OF PLANNING AND ZONING**

12. Hearing and Ordinance amending Chapter 25.05 of the Sioux City Municipal Code entitled "Site Development" to provide an extension of the Interim Sign Ordinance. (Petitioner: City of Sioux City) (File No. 2026-015) (The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of this item.) **2026-0226**

Chris Madsen, Sr Planner; and Andrew Glisar, Planning and Zoning Commission Chair provided information on the item.

**Motion by Scott, seconded by Schoenherr, to open the hearing and pass first consideration of the ordinance, citizen comments were not offered, and the hearing was closed, all voting aye.**

**On motion by Scott, seconded by Berenstein, all voting aye, the Statutory Rule requiring that an ordinance be considered at three separate meetings was suspended. On motion by Scott, seconded by Berenstein, the ordinance passed second and third considerations, all voting aye.**

## HEARINGS

13. Hearing and Resolution approving plans, specifications, form of contract, and estimated cost for construction of the 2025 Annual Sidewalk Program Project. (Project No. 7475-759-005) **2026-0227**

**Motion by Scott, seconded by Berenstein, to open the hearing and adopt the proposed resolution, citizen comments were not offered, and the hearing was closed, all voting aye.**

14. Hearing and Resolution accepting the proposal of Mozak Commercial Properties, LLC for the lease of certain land in the Combined Central Sioux City – CBD Urban Renewal Area, and authorizing and approving a Lease Agreement. (Property located at 124 Pierce Street) **2026-0228**

**Motion by Scott, seconded by Berenstein, to open the hearing and adopt the proposed resolution, citizen comments were not offered, and the hearing was closed, all voting aye.**

## DISCUSSION

15. Motion appointing Alex Watters to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028, replacing Judy Bonertz. **(Deferred from February 23, and March 2, 2026) 2026-0229**

**Motion by Scott, seconded by Berenstein, to adopt the proposed resolution, Berenstein, Rayford, Schoenherr, and Scott voting aye, Bertrand voting nay.**

16. Resolution approving a Consulting Services Agreement with DeWild Grant Reckert and Associates Company doing business as DGR Engineering for administration, preliminary survey/data collection, design, bid phase and limited construction administration in connection with the Pulaski Park Stormwater Pipe Replacement Project, in an amount not to exceed $369,000. (Project No. 7547-549-167) **(Deferred from March 2, 2026) 2026-0230**

Gordon Phair, City Engineer, provided information on the item.

**Motion by Scott, seconded by Schoenherr, to adopt the proposed resolution, by Berenstein, Rayford, and Schoenherr voting aye, Bertrand and Scott voting nay.**

## CITIZEN CONCERNS

Citizens Legen Campbell, Linda Santee, Brandi Steck, Mary Nissen, Terry O'Brien, Ben Beemus, Bob Fritzmeyer, Teresa Becker, William Burrows, Brett Watchorn, Corey Davis, and Maria Rundquist; Charles Wishman, Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO President; and Andrew Loffswold, Effective Fiscal and Public Policy Committee, shared concerns regarding the Sioux City Public Library FY 2027 Budget. Teresa Fitch, Finance Director, contributed budget information to the discussion.

J.J. Stone discussed concerns relating to the inability to obtain rent reimbursement while living in a facility that is owned by a nonprofit organization. Berenstein asked Marty Dougherty, Economic and Community Development Director, to address Stone's concerns.

Paul Koskovich shared concerns regarding Agenda Item No. 12 which provided an extension of the Interim Sign Ordinance.

**PRESENTATION**

17. Community Engagement Update

Anne Westra, Communications and Public Engagement Specialist, provided information on the item. William Burrows spoke on the item.

**COUNCIL CONCERNS**

Bertrand addressed the spread of rumors and misinformation regarding the Sioux City Public Library FY 2027 Budget. Bertrand, Berenstein, Rayford, and Schoenherr shared the appreciation for those in attendance and the dialog they provided.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m., on motion by Scott, seconded by Schoenherr, all voting aye.**

ATTEST: _____ _____

Heidi Farrens, City Clerk Robert E. Scott, Mayor