

The City Council met in regular monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on March 2, 2026. A quorum was declared by Mayor Deb De Haan. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 125 Central Ave SE, Orange City, Iowa.

Members Present: Council members Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: None

Staff: Matt Van Schouwen, Janet Brown, Jason Budden, Ryan McEwen, Jim Pottebaum, and Kent Anderson

Guests: Sarah Weber, Mark Nyhoff, Dan Roghair, Henry and Dee Kramer, and Jennie Droog

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman approving the tentative agenda as the official agenda. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Citizen Comments: This time was provided for citizen comments. Dee Kramer shared concerns about the Puddle Jumper Trail, wildflowers have vanished, trees have been destroyed and removed. She would also like to see it paved and have new entrance signage.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 16, 2026 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Mark Scallon and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

10-year Street Improvement Plan: Jason presented a 10-year street improvement plan. The plan is considered a guideline and subject to change over the years. No official action was taken.

Albany Avenue SE Surface Transportation Application: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal approving the submittal of an application for Region III Transportation Project to the Northwest Iowa Planning & Development Commission for the Albany Avenue SE Reconstruction Project. Management is planning for this project to take place in 2030. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Resolution Ordering Construction of the Madison Place Extension Project and Setting a Public Hearing Date: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman adopting a resolution ordering the construction of the Madison Place Extension Project and setting a public hearing for 4:30 P.M. on April 6, 2026. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 3-2-26-2184 and appears in the official resolution book.

Ordinance No. 864, an Ordinance Amending Provisions Pertaining to Cigarette and Tobacco Permits: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 864, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to cigarette and tobacco permits. On call of the roll motion carried: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to waive the second and third readings of proposed Ordinance No. 864. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal adopting Ordinance No. 864, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to cigarette and tobacco permits. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No. 865, an Ordinance Amending Provisions Pertaining to Liquor Licenses and Wine and Beer Permits: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 865, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to liquor licenses and wine and beer permits. On call of the roll motion carried: AYES: Bret Walinga, Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman to waive the second and third readings of proposed Ordinance No. 865. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Mark Scallon and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman adopting Ordinance No. 865, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to liquor licenses and wine and beer permits. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Mark Scallon, Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No. 866, an Ordinance Amending Provisions Pertaining to Conflict of Interest: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 866, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to conflict of interest. On call of the roll motion carried: AYES: Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon to waive the second and third readings of proposed Ordinance No. 866. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon adopting Ordinance No. 866, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to conflict of interest. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No. 867, an Ordinance Amending Provisions Pertaining to Public Hearing Requirements: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 867, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to public hearing requirements. On call of the roll motion carried: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to waive the second and third readings of proposed Ordinance No. 867. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Mark Scallon and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga adopting Ordinance No. 867, an ordinance amending provisions pertaining to public hearing requirements. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No. 868, an Ordinance Adding a New Section Prohibiting False Representation of Service Animal: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 868, an ordinance adding a new section prohibiting false representation of a service animal. On call of the roll motion carried: AYES: Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman,

Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to waive the second and third readings of proposed Ordinance No. 868. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong adopting Ordinance No. 868, an ordinance adding a new section prohibiting false representation of a service animal. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Retail Alcohol License Renewal Applications: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal approving the renewal applications for a Class B Retail Alcohol License as submitted by Woudstra Meat Market for Highland Post and a Class C Retail Alcohol License as submitted by Verborgen Kamer. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to its Gas Supply Agreement with PEFA, Inc in Connection with the Reset of the Available Discount in PEFA, Inc's Gas Prepayment Project; Approving the Issuance of Bonds by PEFA, Inc; and Related Matters: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong adopting a resolution authorizing the execution of an Amendment to its Gas Supply Agreement with PEFA, Inc. in connection with the reset of the available discount in PEFA, Inc.'s Gas Prepayment Project; approving the issuance of bonds by PEFA, Inc.; and related matters. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 3-2-26-2185 and appears in the official resolution book.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

March 16	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
April 6	Budget Public Hearing, 4:15 P.M.
April 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
April 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
May 4	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
May 14-16	Tulip Festival
May 18	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Matt mentioned the legislative activity going on about property taxes; will share a city apparel link; looking at a tractor to purchase for the street department. Dan Roghair shared they have received a signed letter of intent for the sale of the aerial truck.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were received. Mark shared the library board is busy updating policies and bylaws. Brett asked how we should proceed with the Puddle Jumper Trail request. Matt will review items mentioned with Noah.

Closed Session Per Iowa Code Section 21.5.1(j) – Real Estate: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga to enter into a closed session at 5:16 o'clock P.M. to discuss possible real estate transactions. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman to exit the closed session at 6:05 o'clock P.M. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

No official action was taken.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Mark Scallon and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal to adjourn. On call

of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 6:06 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk