

Council Meeting
March 3, 2025

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on March 3, 2025. 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 Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: None

Staff: Janet Brown, Earl Woudstra, Kent Anderson, Kurt Frederes, Matt Van Schouwen, and Ryan McEwen

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, Jennie Droog, Dan Roghair, Lyle Huisman, Phil Scorza, Matt Barthman, Kurt Yeske, Jill Jacobsma, Dale Leusink, Don Schreur, Jenon Scallon, Ed Schreur, Duane Feekes, Julia Huisman, Mike Hofman, Marilyn Mayberry, Donette Yaw, Brenda Meyer, Ray and Marie Turano, Alison Kamp, Nora Mulder, Josh Van Es, Joe Poppema, Travis De Jong, Kenton Vore, Martina Hoogland, Ed Katje, Luke and Jennifer Livingston, Pat Brenneman, Greg Haverdink, Mark Nyhoff, Jason Alons, and Todd Hoffman

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer 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: Rod De Boer, Olivia Chapman, Daryl Beltman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Citizen Comments: This time was provided for citizen comments, and none were heard.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 17, 2025 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Daryl Beltman and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daryl Beltman, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Orange City Christian School Request for Building Project Support: Jason Alons and Travis De Jong presented the planned addition and renovations to the Orange City Christian School, which will total \$11 million. The project will begin in May of 2026 and take 18 months to complete. They currently have \$4 million raised. They would like the Council to consider a donation of \$250,000 to \$500,000. No official action was taken.

Old Elementary Development Proposal from 712 Construction: Matthew Barthman with 712 Construction and Marie Turano with Holland House presented a proposal for the old elementary school property. Their plan would consist of 4 duplexes facing north and 5 lots for single family homes facing south using Dutch and European architecture. They currently have interested parties in the single family homes. The concept would bring a \$6,175,000 taxable investment. No official action was taken.

Old Elementary Development Proposal from "Friends of Oud-West": Lyle Huisman representing "Friends of Oud-West" presented a proposal for the old elementary school property. The plan consisted of 65' wide lots facing north and south with a green space and walking path through the middle of the lot, inspiration from the Village of Berlikum, Friesland. The group would need more time and a commitment from the City on the property before hiring individuals to complete the proposed plan. The green space would be cared for through an HOA. The concept would bring 14 homes with an assessed value of \$557,770. They also have interested parties. Questions raised were who the builder would be, is this the only location you would consider a development like this. Lyle responded there could be multiple builders but would like them to be invested in the project and this plan is based on the walkability and connection to other Dutch architecture. Matthew Barthman also stated the central location would be the best fit. No official action was taken.

Amended Land Development Agreement: Ryan presented an amended Land Development Agreement with R. Perry Construction for the Salem Avenue Development. R Perry has changed the incentive from a TIF to a 10-year tax abatement and the lot from Living Water Church is no longer needed. A motion was made by Council member Daryl Beltman and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga approving the amended Land Development Agreement with R. Perry Construction for the Salem Avenue Development. On call of the roll

motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daryl Beltman, Bret Walinga, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Retail Alcohol License Applications: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the renewal applications for a Class B Retail Alcohol License for Woudstra Meat Market at Highland Post and a Special Class C Retail Alcohol License for Holland Plaza Theatre and a new Class C Retail Alcohol License for Verborgten Kamer at 109 Central Ave NE. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows; AYES: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer; NAYS: None.

Resolution Ordering Construction of the St. Paul Ave. Sidewalk Extension Project and Setting a Public Hearing Date: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong adopting a resolution ordering the construction of the St. Paul Ave. Sidewalk Extension Project and setting 4:30 P.M. on April 7 as the public hearing to consider the project. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows; AYES: Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Daryl Beltman, Bret Walinga; NAYS: Rod De Boer. The resolution was assigned number 3-3-25-2130 and appears in the official resolution book.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

March 17	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M
April 7	Budget Public Hearing, 4:15 P.M.
April 7	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M
April 21	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M
May 5	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M
May 15-17	Tulip Festival
May 19	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M
June 2	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
June 16	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Earl shared a thank you from the Aden De Jong family; Jackson Miller the new Parks Supervisor will begin on March 6. Dan Roghair shared photos of the new aerial truck chassis.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Mayor De Haan shared we are blessed by our community involvement and investment.

Closed Session Per Iowa Code Section 21.5.1(c), Litigation: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer to enter into a closed session at 5:24 P.M. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daryl Beltman, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga to exit the closed session at 5:54 P.M. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Bret Walinga, Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

No official action was taken.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Daryl Beltman and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daryl Beltman, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:55 o'clock P.M.

Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Janet Brown, City Clerk