

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on September 8, 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, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: None

Staff: Janet Brown, Matt Van Schouwen, Ryan Mc Ewen, Jason Budden, and Jim Pottebaum

Guests: Sarah Weber, Wynand Hegeman, Ruth Roghair, and Dan Roghair

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

Citizen Comments: Wynand Hegeman, 405 Iowa Ave SW, spoke about his neighbor's school bus parked in their driveway. He would like the city to proceed with removal of the bus since he believes it is not operable and has not moved for months.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the August 17, 2026 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman 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: Olivia Chapman, Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Industrie Centrum West Second Addition: This being the time and place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the disposal of Lots 6 – 29, Industrie Centrum West Second Addition. The Mayor called for comments from members of the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the disposal. No written objections were received. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong adopting a resolution authorizing the disposal of Lots 6 – 29, Industrie Centrum West Second Addition. 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 9-8-26-2204 and appears in the official resolution book.

Ordinance No 872, an Ordinance Regulating Golf Carts: Management shared that a written objection was received on the operation of golf carts on city streets. Daron asked if there were any concerns during Tulip Festival. Mark asked how to keep unauthorized golf carts out of the downtown area during Tulip Festival. Olivia inquired about e-bikes and e-scooters. Matt responded that a lot of cities are talking about how to handle those. After some discussion, a motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon approving the second reading of proposed Ordinance No. 872, an ordinance regulating the use of golf carts on public streets. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No 873, an Ordinance Amending Sewer Special Surcharges: Jason explained the ordinance reflects price increases and penalties for industrial users to protect the treatment system. A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal approving the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 873, an ordinance amending sewer special surcharges. 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.

Police Station Update: Management presented a proposal for the relocation of the police department to 808 Hiway 10 West. The city is proposing to swap property around the new Vander Pol Excavating building along the old airport, Lots 10, 11, 12, and part of Lot 28, along

with \$29,097.00 at closing, in exchange for their building at 808 Hiway 10 West. The police department has worked with Beck Engineering on a design layout to fit their needs, estimated costs are approximately \$600,000. Chief Jim Pottebaum explained that they have outgrown their current space, this location would provide better response times, integrity of evidence, storage, workspace, and car bays. A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman approving the land transaction and moving forward with plans and specifications on the building renovation. The exchange agreement with Vander Pol Excavating is hereto attached and therefore made a part of these minutes. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Retail Alcohol License Renewal Applications: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal approving the renewal applications for a Class E Retail Alcohol License from Kwik Star and for a Class C Retail Alcohol License from Downtown Grille. 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.

Special Event Permit: A motion was made by Council member Olivia Chapman and duly seconded by Council member Bret Walinga approving the Special Event Permit for the 2026 Smoke Off on September 12. 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.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

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| September 21 | Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M. |
| October 5    | Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M. |
| October 19   | Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M. |
| November 2   | Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M. |
| November 16  | Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M. |

Oral reports: Matt shared city building tours will begin in October; Seth De Jong, new Parks Supervisor, started today; asked for authorization for up to \$25,000 to work with a firm to evaluate the swimming pool. Dan Roghair stated there will be a community coffee on September 19 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the fire station. Jason reported on upcoming action to start a storm water drainage utility and required design for new properties.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Andrew reported the Dutch Front Committee has met and is working on guidance and interpretation of the program. Olivia thanked Noah for the good pool year.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Olivia Chapman, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 5:11 o'clock P.M.

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Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Janet Brown, City Clerk