Council Meeting
October 5, 2026

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:30 o'clock P.M. on October 5, 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, Mark Scallon, and Bret Walinga

Members Absent: Council member Olivia Chapman

Staff: Janet Brown, Matt Van Schouwen, Jason Budden, and Brad De Jong

Guests: Sarah Weber, Mike Hofman, Jennie Droog, Ava Anderson, Zoey Gerry, Ruth Roghair, Annabell Christensen, Alaini Rozenboom, Myla Murphy, Kenton Vore, Raegan Van Beek, and Dan Roghair

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

Citizen Comments: Kenton Vore, 417 Frankfort Ave NE, inquired if council and/or administration have reviewed the possibility of allowing AI data centers in the city limits. He encouraged reviewing what Sioux County has proposed.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the September 21, 2026 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga 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: Bret Walinga, Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon; NAYS: None.

Ordinance No. 874, an Ordinance Creating a Stormwater Drainage Utility: 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. 874, an ordinance creating a stormwater drainage utility. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Special Event Permit: A motion was made by Council member Bret Walinga and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon approving the special event permit for Aria on October 17, 2026, from 9 AM to 3 PM to celebrate their 2nd anniversary. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Bret Walinga, Mark Scallon, Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Retail Alcohol License Renewal Application: A motion was made by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the renewal application for a Special Class C Retail Alcohol License from The Floral Market. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Andrew Bloemendaal, Daron De Jong, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None.

Designation of Title VI Coordinator and ADA Coordinator: In order to continue receiving Federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Transportation through the Federal Highway Administration a motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal adopting a resolution designating the City Administrator as the Title VI Coordinator and Public Works Director as the ADA Coordinator. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 10-5-26-2207 and appears in the official resolution book.

Administrative Reports:
Scheduled Meetings/Important Dates:

October 19	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
November 2	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
November 16	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
December 7	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
December 21	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Matt reported that there will be no tulip bulb giveaway this year; congratulations to Northwestern College for the Colenbrander Plaza ribbon cutting and Korver Field groundbreaking, and to Unity for their groundbreaking. These projects will be asking for city assistance at an upcoming meeting. Jason provided updates on projects. Dan shared it is Fire Prevention Week; open house Thursday night.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and the following were heard. Mark shared the library has lots of good programming going on this fall; nice to see the new Elite Dance location drawing people downtown. The Mayor added there were lots of Northwestern College homecoming visitors in the downtown park on Saturday.

Site Visits: Council visited the Street Department shop, East Substation, and Electric Department shop. No official action was taken.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Andrew Bloemendaal and duly seconded by Council member Mark Scallon to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Andrew Bloemendaal, Mark Scallon, Daron De Jong, Bret Walinga; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 6:04 o'clock P.M.

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Deb De Haan, Mayor

ATTEST:_____
Janet Brown, City Clerk