

The City Council met in semi-monthly session pursuant to adjournment at 4:00 o'clock P.M. on January 16, 2023. 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 Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Tony Vande Brake

Members Absent: None

Staff: Earl Woudstra, Janet Brown, Kurt Frederes, Jim Pottebaum, Kent Anderson, Kirk Maasdam, and Matt Van Schouwen

Guests: Doug Calsbeek, Mike Hofman, and John Slegers

Agenda: A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the tentative agenda, as the official agenda. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

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

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the January 3, 2023 council meeting were presented. A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Tony Vande Brake approving said minutes as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Financial Report: The monthly financial report for December 2022, representing cash balances for all funds was presented, whereupon it was therefore moved by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner approving the monthly financial report as published. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

Monthly Bills: A Summary of Warrants report listing bills from December 23, 2022 through January 16, 2023 was presented. A motion was made by Council member Tony Vande Brake and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the monthly bills, subject to audit. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer; NAYS: None.

Department Reports: This time was provided for Kirk Maasdam, representing the Water/Wastewater Department, to discuss with the Council accomplishments and priorities of their departments as the Council prepares for budget time. No official action was taken.

Engagement Agreement with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.: A motion was made by Council member Aaron Beadner and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer approving the Engagement Agreement with Ahlers & Cooney, P.C. for their work as bond counsel for the General Obligation Capital Loan Notes. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Tony Vande Brake, Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Daron De Jong; NAYS: None.

Not to Exceed \$2,900,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (ECP/UR): This being the time a place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the not to exceed \$2,900,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (ECP/UR) to aid in the planning, undertaking, and caring out of the urban renewal projects in the new elementary school area. The Mayor called for comments from the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed capital loan notes. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Aaron Beadner adopting a resolution instituting proceedings to take additional action on the not to exceed \$2,900,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (ECP/UR). On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-16-23-2054 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 21.

Not to Exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (GCP): This being the time a place as advertised a public hearing was held to consider the not to exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (GCP) for the Puddle Jumper Park construction. The Mayor called for comments from the audience and no one was heard speaking for or against the proposed capital loan notes. The Mayor then closed the time for the public hearing.

A motion was made by Council member Aaron Beadner and duly seconded by Council member Olivia Chapman adopting a resolution instituting proceedings to take additional action on the not to exceed \$700,000 General Obligation Capital Loan Notes (GCP). On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-16-23-2055 and appears in the official resolution book. Records are kept in Appendix 21.

Tax Abatement Applications: A motion was made by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong approving the tax abatement applications to be forwarded on to the County Assessor for determination of qualification. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None.

Petition for Severance for Voluntary Annexation to the City of Alton: The final step for the transfer of property to the City of Alton, per the Annexation Agreement adopted June 6, 2022, requires severance of the 4.5 acre parcel from the Orange City limits to Alton, which will allow for the voluntary annexation of the property to Alton. A motion was made by Council member Daron De Jong and duly seconded by Council member Rod De Boer adopting a resolution approving the severance of this 4.5 acre parcel from the City of Orange City to the City of Alton. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Daron De Jong, Rod De Boer, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. The resolution was assigned number 1-16-23-2056 and appears in the official resolution book.

Administrative Reports:

Scheduled Meetings:

January 23	Council Meeting, <b>4:00 P.M., Budget</b>
February 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
February 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
March 6	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.
March 20	Council Meeting, 4:30 P.M.

Oral reports: Earl asked if there were any questions on the projects update email that he sent out last week; shared a thank you from the Unity freshman class. Matt expressed appreciation for Council and community support with snow removal, and for the efforts of the street employees.

Council Comments: The Mayor called for comments from members of the Council and none were heard.

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget Discussions – General Funds: Management presented a draft copy of the general funds proposed budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. The proposal included a statement of changes in fund balances, sources and uses of working capital, statement of changes in retained earnings and line item detail of revenues and expenditures for the general funds. Also identified were tax levies for the proposed budget year and previous years. A lengthy discussion followed with no official action taken.

Adjournment: No further business appearing it was therefore moved by Council member Rod De Boer and duly seconded by Council member Daron De Jong to adjourn. On call of the roll motion carried. The vote was as follows: AYES: Rod De Boer, Daron De Jong, Aaron Beadner, Olivia Chapman, Tony Vande Brake; NAYS: None. Adjournment time was 6:55 o'clock P.M.

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Deb De Haan, Mayor

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