## MINUTES CITY COUNCIL MEETING September 4, 2025 501 Main Street 5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on September 4, 2025, at 501 Main Street. Mayor Kathie Mahoney called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were nine council members present, none absent. Carissa Crenshaw, Dorothy Cackley, Jeff Mullin, Devon Dade, Dan Tillman, Tyler Walker, Steve Andrews, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Jim Ferneau, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, and Bridge, Park, Cemetery & Sanitation Manager Bob Weis.

**MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE:** Informed of upcoming area events, recognized September as Firefighters Appreciation Month, and provided an update on election papers and the associated timeline.

CITIZENS' REQUEST: Morgan Shrader followed up with Council regarding concerns on Garfield Avenue, specifically requesting a reduction in speed and the installation of a "Slow – Children at Play" sign. Carroll responded that a sign is on order and will be installed, and Chief Baum noted that a traffic study may be beneficial prior to reducing the speed limit. Todd Marshall voiced concerns regarding the IMON crew. Chad Nye followed up with Council regarding several prior requests related to his property and the condition of the street in front of his residence.

Motion made by Dade, second by Tillman to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of August 21, 2025;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 273-2025:** Approving a Liquor License for Dollar General #2385, 300 Main Street, Class B Retail Alcohol License effective September 21, 2025:
- **RESOLUTION NO. 274-2025:** Approving a Liquor License for Lake Cooper Foundation, Big Dam Street Festival, 8 North Water Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License, term of 5-days effective September 24-29, 2025;
- Re-appointment of Victor Mickunas to the Historic Preservation Commission, term to expire September 1, 2028;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5492-5494;

Mayor Mahoney opened the public hearing at 5:55 p.m. on a proposed amendment and restated Twin Rivers Urban Renewal Plan in the City of Keokuk, State of Iowa. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on August 19, 2025.

**COMMENTS:** Mayor gave brief overview.

No further comments or objections were made, Mayor Mahoney closed the public hearing at 5:56 p.m.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Dade to approved the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO.275-2025:** "A RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA OF THE CITY TO BE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BLIGHTED AREA AND THAT THE REHABILITATION, CONSERVATION,

REDEVELOPMENT, DEVELOPMENT, OR A COMBINED THEREOF, OF SUCH AREA IS NECESSARY IN THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; DESIGNATING SUCH AREA AS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; AND ADOPTING AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED TWIN RIVERS URBAN RENEWAL PLAN." (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tillman, second by Bryant to approve the initial reading of an Ordinance to amend Code of Ordinances, City of Keokuk, Iowa, Section 13.08.060 Concerning Class II Sewer Rates.

Roll Call Vote: AYES - Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald; NAYS: NONE. Motion approved.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Tillman to waive the second & third reading. AYES: Tillman and Bryant; NAYS: Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, and Greenwald. 2-7 Motion FAILS.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Dade to approve the initial reading of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa, by adding provisions pertaining to public nudity.

Roll Call Vote: AYES - Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald; NAYS: NONE. Motion approved.

Motion made by Dade, second by Tillman approve the initial reading of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa, by adding provisions pertaining to panhandling.

Roll Call Vote: AYES - Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald; NAYS: NONE. Motion approved.

Motion made by Dade, second by Crenshaw to waive the second and third reading.

Roll Call Vote: (8) AYES - Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, Tillman, and Greenwald; (1) NAYS: Bryant. Motion approved.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Dade to adopt and give final approval of **ORDINANCE NO. 2057:** Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Keokuk, Iowa, by adding provisions pertaining to panhandling. (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tillman, second by Dade to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 276-2025:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025." (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Tillman to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 277-2025:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AMENDMENT FOR TIMEA STREET ENGINEERING #2." (8) AYES, (1) NAY – Cackley. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS:** Greenwald informed of Kilbourne Fest, hosted by Keokuk Cultural and Entertainment District.

**STAFF REPORTS:** Carroll provided updates on the River trail and Grand Avenue projects and informed Councilperson Dade that staff is reviewing price variations between using white gravel versus brown gravel for street work. Baum informed Council of a new officer who has begun training at the academy.

Motion made by Walker, second by Dade to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.