

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
October 16, 2025
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on October 16, 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, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Jeff Mullin, Dan Tillman, Tyler Walker, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. None absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator James Ferneau, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Public Works Director Brian Carroll, Community Development Director Pam Broomhall, Chief of Police Zeth Baum, Fire Chief Gabe Rose, Water Pollution Control Manager Tom Wills, and Code Enforcement/Housing Casey Barnes.

MAYOR'S CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of upcoming area events and open positions on Boards & Commissions.

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

- Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of October 2, 2025;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for September 2025;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 284-2025:** Approving a Liquor License Gate City Restaurant and Bar, 2601 Main Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License – effective October 24, 2025;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 285-2025:** Approving a Liquor License Southside Boat Club, 625 Mississippi River Drive, Class F Retail Alcohol License – effective October 31, 2025;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 286-2025:** Approving a Liquor License ALDI Inc. #15, 3379 Main Street, Class B Retail Alcohol License -effective November 7, 2025;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 287-2025:** Approving Urban Revitalization Tax Exemption for Stephen Rogers, 1518 Franklin Street, detached garage;
- Re-appointment of Kyle Riddle to the Park & Recreation Advisory Board, term to expire November 2, 2028;
- Appointment of Erin White to the Convention & Tourism Bureau, term to expire December 31, 2028;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5501-5503;

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Crenshaw to remove from table.

Motion to approve the initial reading by Tillman, second by Bryant made at the October 2, 2025, council meeting of an Ordinance amending Section 9.28.040 dealing with parking regulations.

Roll Call Vote: (0) AYES, (9) NAYS - Crenshaw, Walker, Mullin, Cackley, Dade, Andrews, Tillman, Bryant, and Greenwald. Motion failed.

Dennis McGregor, Lieutenant Governor of Zone 10 of the Optimist Club, provided information to the Council and reported that he is in the process of establishing an Optimist Club in the Keokuk area.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Dade, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 288-2025**: “ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A COPIER FOR CITY HALL.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 289-2025**: “ A RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH MCCLURE ENGINEERING FOR TAXIWAY A & D LIGHTING PROJECT NO. 3-19-0050-028-2026.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Crenshaw, second by Dade to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 290-2025**: “ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A DEMOLITION CONTRACT FOR A SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING LOCATED AT 1012 BLONDEAU STREET.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Greenwald, second by Dade to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 291-2025**: “ A RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT FOR JOHNSON STREET MILL & FILL.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Walker, second by Crenshaw to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 292-2025**: “ A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERNAL LOAN FROM GENERAL FUND TO TAX INCREMENT REVENUE FUND.” (9) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Michael McCoy, MD, President and CEO of Great River Health Systems, provided an update on the services offered in Keokuk and the surrounding areas. He also discussed recent updates, future plans, and the organization’s transition to the Epic system for electronic health records management.

STAFF REPORTS: Carroll provided information regarding an award for the S. 18th Street project, noting that it will be received on November 6th, and also gave an update on paving for the Grand Avenue project. Ferneau informed the Council that Stanley Consultants will be assisting with the pretreatment program going forward. Wills provided an update on pretreatment activities.

NEW BUSINESS: Tillman addressed allegations concerning the Keokuk Volunteer Emergency Corps (KVEC) and related funds. Katie Hamelton provided background on the historical operations of KVEC, raised questions regarding the disposition of KVEC funds, and inquired about background checks. Baum noted that he has conducted several background checks on individuals that Tillman intends to bring onto the organization. The Mayor informed both parties that they would need to retain legal counsel and resolve their disputes through that process.

Motion made by Walker, second by Dade to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m.