

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 21, 2026
501 Main Street
5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Keokuk met in regular session on May 21, 2026, at 501 Main Street. Mayor Pro Tem Michael Greenwald called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. There were eight council members present, one absent. Todd Marshall, Tyler Walker, Kathie Mahoney, Devon Dade, Steve Andrews, Matt VanBerkum, Roger Bryant, and Michael Greenwald were present. Doug Matlick was absent. Staff in attendance: City Administrator Jim Ferneau, City Clerk Celeste El Anfaoui, Police Chief Zeth Baum, Fire Chief Gabe Rose, Waste Water Treatment Plant Manager Tom Wills, and Community Development Director Pam Broomhall.

MAYOR CORRESPONDENCE: Informed of current trip to Washington, D.C., attended by Smidt and Carroll. Announced the Back Alley Band Fest scheduled for Friday, May 22. Congratulations were extended to all graduates. A reminder was given that City Hall will be closed on Monday, and Monday's garbage pickup will occur on Tuesday. It was also noted that Memorial Day is a time to honor and remember all fallen soldiers and reflect on its meaning.

CITIZENS' REQUEST: Kim Ludwig addressed the Council regarding the scheduling of park fields for practices and discussed the need to establish a more structured system.

Motion made by Dade, second by Mahoney to approve the agenda, including the consent agenda. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

- Minutes of the Regular Council meeting of May 7, 2026;
- Cash Receipts & Treasurer's Report for April 2026;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 103-2026:** Setting a public hearing on the amendment of Franchise Fees on Electric Utility Services;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 104-2026:** Setting a public hearing on the application for a zoning request for property located at 209 Washington Street, Keokuk, Iowa;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 105-2026:** approving a Liquor License for Santana's Mexican Restaurant, 3753 Main Street, Class C Retail Alcohol License – effective June 8, 2026;
- **RESOLUTION NO. 106-2026:** approving a Liquor License for Keokuk Yacht Club, Inc., 2029 River Road, Class C Retail Alcohol License – effective June 8, 2026;
- Special Event Permit for Richard & Gail Meyers, Block Party, 629 Blondeau Street, June 5, 2026 – Alcohol will be served;
- Reappointment of Tom Seibold to the Keokuk Union Depot Commission, term to expire June 1, 2030;
- Motion to pay bills and transfers listed in Register No.'s 5540-5542;

Mayor Pro Tem Greenwald opened the public hearing at 5:37 p.m. amending the budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2026. A public hearing notice was published in the Daily Gate City on May 15, 2026.

COMMENTS: Ferneau gave overview of amendment.

There being no further comments or objections, Mayor Pro Tem Greenwald closed the public hearing at 5:39 p.m.

Motion made by Dade, second by Walker to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 107-2026:** "A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Mahoney, second by Dade to approve the second reading of the Amended Ordinance to amend Code of Ordinances, City of Keokuk, Iowa, Section 9.60.010 Railroad Bridge Tolls Established amending the ordinance from \$65.00 per car to \$70.00 per car.

Roll Call Vote: AYES – Marshall, Walker, Dade, Andrews, Vanberkum, Bryant, and Greenwald., NAYS – None, ABSENT – Matlick. (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried

Motion made by Walker, second by Mahoney to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 108-2026:** "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING A REVENUE PURPOSE STATEMENT FOR THE USE OR EXPENDITURE OF REVENUES FROM AN ELECTRIC SERVICES FRANCHISE FEE." (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Walker to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 109-2026**: “A RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT FOR REPLACEMENT OF OVERHEAD DOORS AT 212 DES MOINES STREET.” (8) AYES, (0) NAYS. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bryant, second by Walker to approve the following proposed **RESOLUTION NO. 110-2026**: “A RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY APPROVING BIDS OF CERTAIN CITY-OWNED REAL ESTATE LOCATED WITHIN THE TWIN RIVERS URBAN RENEWAL AREA AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOTICES OF INTENT OF FINAL APPROVAL OF BIDS AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASE AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS. (8) AYES, (0) AYES. Motion carried.

COUNCIL LIAISON: Greenwald reminded of Keokuk Cultural and Entertainment District Back Alley Bandfest May 21st.

STAFF REPORTS: Ferneau gave subcommittee meeting reminders.

Motion made by Walker, second by Dade to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m.