

CITY OF STRATFORD CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA WITH NOTES FOR COUNCIL

Mayor Brian Ouverson	Council Member Catherine Bergman
Council Member Carol Bergman	Council Member Terry Bryan
Council Member Clark Conklin	Council Member Chase Haman

Date of Meeting: Monday, November 10, 2025
Place of Meeting: Stratford City Hall, 805 Shakespeare, Stratford, IA 50249
Time of Meeting: 7:00 p.m. for Regular Meeting

- I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call for Regular Meeting.
- II. Approval of Tentative Agenda.
- III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Regular Meeting on October 13, 2025.
- IV. **Public Comments and Presentations.** This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Council on a matter not on the Agenda. Except in cases of emergency, the City Council will not take any action at this meeting, but may ask the City Staff to research the matter or have the matter placed on the Agenda for a future meeting. (Please limit presentation at 2 to 5 minutes)
- V. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** Items listed below are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion or vote on these items unless a Council Member or a member of the audience so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered after the other items listed on the Agenda.
 - A. Financial Report for October 2025
 - B. Current Claims since Previous Council Approval for \$42,212.08
 - C. Delinquent Utility Account Report
- VI. **Items for Discussion/Action:**
 - A. Consider Gordon Erickson request for building permit with variance at 837 Dryden Street
 - B. Consider request from Katie Kinsella ELC (Early Learning Center) Director to approve community wide holiday event "Let it Glow" Lighted Christmas Parade
 - C. Consider request from Dalton Higgins to have chickens at property located 1001 Milton Street
 - D. Consider request from Saffron Carroll to have chickens at property located at the corner of Locust Street
 - E. Discuss urban chicken permit under ordinance 2025- 08
 - F. Consider acknowledging Stratford Public Library 2025 Annual Report
 - G. Consider approval of City of Stratford Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2025

- H. Consider approval of Stratford Fitness Center Request for Turkey Trot Fun Run/Walk November 27th, 2025 at 8:30 A.M.
- I. Consider Fiscal Year 2026 budget amendment and set public hearing
- J. Discuss quote from Hill Backhoe & Tiling for \$18,410 Stratford Municipal Pool Exploratory dig
- K. Discuss the City of Stratford Utility Infrastructure
- L. Discuss campers and talk about creating a camper/RV ordinance
- M. Consider insurance renewal for volunteer firefighter accidental death & dismemberment coverage for annual fee of \$13.30 for single coverage and \$19.00 for employee/spouse and employee/family coverage; total of \$543.40
- N. Consider insurance health/dental ins renewal for full-time City of Stratford employees

VII. Ordinances and Other Resolutions:

- A. Consider Ordinance 2025-10 – A Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Stratford, Iowa, by amending Chapter 50 Nuisance Abatement Procedure.
- B. Consider Resolution 2025-22 A Resolution naming Depositories for City funds and signators for depositories
- C. Consider Resolution 2025-24 A Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Funds for the Payment of Debt Fees and Interest

VIII. City Manager and Maintenance Supervisor Report:

IX. Board/Committee Reports:

- A. Arbor Committee – Catherine Bergman
- B. NCIRWSA (FD Landfill) – Brian Ouverson
- C. SCWMA (Squaw Creek Watershed) – Terry Bryan

X. Information for Council:

- A. Library Minutes October 7, 2025

XI. Council Member's Comments.

XII. Mayor's Comments.

XIII. Consider moving into closed session per Iowa Code §21.5 for personnel evaluation

XIV. Adjournment.