

Council Chambers, City Hall, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.

West Union City Council met September 3, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers with Mayor Cameron Granger presiding. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance	Present: DeBack, McElree, and Tope. Absent: Gumm and Miller.
Approval of the Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by McElree, seconded by Tope. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve the August 19th, 2024, Regular Council Meeting minutes as presented was made by Tope, seconded by McElree. All Aye. Carried.
Discussion on Downtown Gardens	Resident Jim Boelman discussed need for maintenance in downtown gardens. How could we make it easier for volunteers to weed and clean out? Do we need more group cleanup dates or a way to mark the weeds? Main St Design Committee handles this, and we will discuss with them.
Approval of Pay Estimate #1 and Change Order #1 to Wicks Construction	Motion to approve Pay Estimate #1 totaling \$20,235.95 and Change Order #1 for additional excavation in soft areas totaling \$637.50 for Trail to Wicks Construction was made by McElree, seconded by DeBack. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of Liquor License Amendment For Fayette Co Ag Society for Market at White Barns	Motion to approve liquor license amendment for Fayette Co Ag Society for Market at White Barns Sept 5-7 <sup>th</sup> and return to full grounds license after the Market was made by DeBack, seconded by Tope. All Aye. Carried.
Approval of Downtown Street Closures for Trunk N Treat and City 175 <sup>th</sup> Celebration	Motion to approve downtown street closures for Trunk N Treat and City 175 <sup>th</sup> Celebration was made by Tope, seconded by DeBack. All Aye. Carried. Trunk N Treat will be held October 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2024, (with a rain date of October 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2024) from approximately noon-5:30 p.m. with closure of E Elm St from Unique Memories to Unionland. Closures for the City Celebration will be on September 27 <sup>th</sup> from the intersection by Tindell's down Vine St to Woodard's (west lane only) for bean bags and food truck from 4:30 p.m.-11:00 p.m. and September 28 <sup>th</sup> for the parade lineup on E Main St (Pine to Vine) and in front of the Catholic Church on Walnut St, for the parade route on Vine St from Main to Plum and back around Walnut St, and for activities on E Elm and Vine St from 11:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m. Streets will reopen as events finish.
Review Outstanding Debt Report	Administrator Amie Johansen shared the 2024 Outstanding Debt Report required annually by the Treasurer, State of Iowa. City's Outstanding Obligations total \$9,902,204.08.
Update on Ash Tree Removal	Phase I and II are complete except for some stump removal. A few ash trees that need to be removed were missed on original bid. Council will vote on removal of those trees after quote is received.
Approval of Resolution 2025-01 Declaring Necessity	Motion to approve Resolution 2025-01 Declaring Necessity and Providing for Notice of Hearing on Proposed Urban Revitalization Plan for October 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. was made by Tope, seconded by McElree. All Aye. Carried.

And Providing Notice  
Of Hearing on  
Proposed Urban  
Revitalization Plan

Approval of  
Complaint Policy and  
Complaint Form

Motion to approve Complaint Policy and Complaint Form as presented by Johansen was made by Tope, seconded by DeBack. All Aye. Carried.

Approval of Wright  
Way Computers  
IT Quote

Motion to approve Wright Way Computers' IT Quote #1808 to upgrade and enhance City's Microsoft subscriptions and cybersecurity was made by DeBack, seconded by McElree. All Aye. Carried. New monthly cost will be \$271.50.

Comments and  
Discussion

Request was received to link an outside source to West Union website about asbestos. Council agreed not to allow.

William Montoya addressed the Council on an idea of creating a steering committee to look into an indoor community rec center. Mark Putney with 10Fold has talked to Mayor Granger and others. Granger will contact Putney to come and present to Council.

Next Council  
Meeting

Next regular council meeting will be September 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Adjourn

With no further business to bring before the Council, a motion was made by DeBack, seconded by McElree, to adjourn. All Aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Cameron Granger, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Amie Johansen, City Administrator