



Newton City Council Agenda

June 5, 2023 - 6:00 PM

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City Hall - Council Chambers
101 W 4th St S, Newton, IA 50208

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Pledge

Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order

1. Roll Call

Presentation

2. Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance - Caleb Knutson
3. Therapy Canine Program - Newton Fire Department Captain Steve Ashing and River

Citizen Participation

4. This is the time of the meeting that a citizen may address the Council. After being recognized by the presiding officer, each person will be given three (3) minutes to speak. Elected officials will take comments into consideration; however, this time is not intended for a discussion or entering into a dialogue. Elected officials and City staff will not answer questions or debate a citizen during the *Citizen Participation* portion of the meeting.

Consent Agenda

5. May 15, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
6. May 15, 2023 Special Workshop Minutes
7. Approve Liquor Licenses for the following: CASEY'S GENERAL STORE #1911- LE0003308, 1018 1ST AVE E, Class E Retail Alcohol License, Ownership Change; Hy-Vee Market Cafe- LC0041009, 1501 1st Ave E Market Cafe Area, Class C Retail Alcohol License; Wal-Mart Supercenter #748- LE0000974, 300 Iowa Speedway Dr, Class E Retail Alcohol License; Special Event Premise Transfer, American Legion for Thundersnights, June 9, 2023.
8. Approve 2023-2024 Cigarette/Tobacco/Nicotine/Vapor License for: Dollar General, 1803 1st Ave E; Git-N-Go #14, 801 1st Ave W; Git-N-Go #45, 1708 S 8th Ave E; KC Store, 4300 S 22nd Ave E; Love's Travel Stop, 4400 S 22nd Ave E; Newton 66, 1806 S 12th Ave W; Shop N Save, 404 S 11th Ave W; Walgreen's, 1204 1st Ave E; Wal-Mart, 300 Iowa Speedway Dr; West End, 1325 1st Ave W
9. Certify Police Officer Candidate List

10. Resolution appointing Andrew Elbert to the City of Newton Planning and Zoning Commission for an unexpired term ending December 31, 2028.
11. Resolution fixing the amounts to be assessed against individual private properties for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 23-05)
12. Resolution accepting completion of the Sanitary Sewer Manhole Restoration Project 2022-01
13. Resolution approving an agreement with the Newton YMCA for fiscal year 2024
14. Resolution accepting a Wellmark MATCH Grant for the proposed Aurora Park Pickleball Courts Project
15. Resolution Approving a Funding and Partnership Agreement with United Way of Jasper County
16. Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Skid Steer Loader for the Public Works and Fire Department
17. Resolution accepting completion of the Newton City Hall Parking Lot Reconstruction Project
18. Resolution awarding contract for the 2023 Streetscape Light Pole Refinishing Project
19. Resolution approving a one (1) year supplemental agreement with the Iowa Department of Transportation for City maintenance of U.S. Highway 6.
20. Resolution amending the cost of the spring/summer strategic video marketing campaign to attract potential home buyers to Newton adopted on April 3, 2023.
21. Resolution to fix a date for a public hearing on proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$800,000
22. Approve Bills

Ordinance

23. First Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, 2016, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, "Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference", to make changes to street parking in the 1100 block of South Fifth Avenue West
 - The City received safety concerns regarding street parking in the 1100 block of S 5th Ave W
 - This roadway is 26 feet wide and when a vehicle is parked on S 5th Ave W near the intersection of W 12th St S a safety hazard is created.
 - The Traffic Safety Committee reviewed the situation and recommends restricting parking on the south side of S 5th Ave W - 69ft. east of W 12th St S
 - Surveys of adjoining properties were conducted with 6 residents in favor and 0 opposed of the recommended changes.
24. First Consideration of an Ordinance amending and updating the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, Title XI: Business Regulations, Chapter 111, "PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS, TRANSIENT MERCHANTS, AND MOBILE FOOD UNITS."

- The established purpose of Chapter 111 is to protect the residents of the city by requiring the registration and licensing of any person engaging in peddling, soliciting, transient merchants, and mobile food units in the city.
- The Ordinance would modify the premise permit held by property owners by removing the annual renewal unless there are changes to the site or building(s) on the property.

Resolution

25. Resolution approving Ragbrai street closures on July 27, 2023
 - RAGBRAI has chosen the City of Newton as the day five meeting town on July 27th, 2023.
 - Envision Newton 2042 recognizes four strategic objectives, one of which is to “establish Newton as a compelling destination.” The state-wide RAGBRAI event’s visit to Newton helps accomplish this strategic objective.
 - City staff is requesting road and parking lot closures for the route and event spaces.
 - City staff is seeking approval of a quote of \$12,400.00 for the rental and setup of barricades.

26. Resolution approving pay range Increase for an administrative assistant within the Police Department
 - The Police Department employee currently serving as an Administrative Assistant I has completed all the required training and has taken on an additional workload.
 - It's recommended the Administrative Assistant I wage schedule increase from range 2 step 3 to range 3 step 2 effective July 1, 2023.
 - Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

27. Resolution Approving the Granting of a Downtown Improvement Grant for the Business at 105 West 2nd Street North
 - Silverado Jewelry is planning improvements to their business facade including awning work, signage, and painting. Silverado Jewelry has requested assistance with these projects through the Downtown Improvement Grant Program.
 - At their meeting on May 25, 2023, the Downtown Grant Review Board recommended approval of grant funds for the project in an amount not to exceed \$2,648.28, provided a 1:1 match is met.

28. Resolution Approving the Granting of a Downtown Improvement Grant and Downtown Housing Grant for the property at 120 North 2nd Avenue West

- A multi-faceted improvement project is planned for the building at 120 North 2nd Avenue West including front and rear facade improvements, painting, new awning, and new upper-story windows.
- At their meeting on May 25, 2023, the Downtown Grant Review Board recommended approval of a total grant amount of \$25,339.26.

Staff Report

29. Construction Project Updates - Joe Grife, Public Works Director

Mayor/Council Comments

30. Mayor and Council Comments

Adjourn

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