



Newton City Council Agenda

August 21, 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. Project AWAKE Proposed Expansion
3. Newton Community School District Update - Tom Messinger, Superintendent

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. August 07, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
6. August 07, 2023 Workshop Minutes
7. Resolution fixing the amounts to be assessed against individual private properties for the abatement of nuisance violations (Schedule No. 23-08)
8. Resolution levying assessments for costs of nuisance abatement and providing for the payment thereof (Schedule 23-07)
9. Resolution approving a letter of support for Newton Main Street's Challenge Grant application for 118 North 2nd Avenue East
10. Resolution setting a public hearing for the sale of City-owned property at 514 South 3rd Avenue East, City of Newton, Jasper County, Iowa
11. Resolution setting a public hearing for the sale of city-owned property, Parcel A of Lot 3, Block 'B', Guthrie's Subdivision, City of Newton, Jasper County, Iowa
12. Resolution accepting a fiber line easement across 1915 E 5th St S Newton, Iowa
13. Resolution awarding contract for the 2023 Water Service Project

Ordinance

14. Approve Bills
15. Third Consideration of an Ordinance Amending and Updating the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, Title XV: Land Usage, Ch. 158: Zoning
 - The proposed code amendments include general edits and updates to further clarify existing regulations found in the Zoning Code, in accordance with the recently adopted *Envision Newton 2042* Comprehensive Plan, and to align with current state and/or federal laws.
16. Third Consideration of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, City of Newton, Iowa, Title VII, Chapter 70, Section 70.15, Traffic and Parking Schedules Adopted by Reference" to Designate Free Municipal Parking Lots and Remove Parking Restrictions in the 100 Block of East Third Street South
 - After construction of a new City parking lot and downtown streetscape, City staff reviewed the parking ordinance and determined there was a need for revisions as follows:
 - Designate the location of all free municipal lots in City Code and add the location of the new parking lot in the 400 block of S 2nd Ave W for consistent use and enforcement.
 - Eliminate parking restrictions on the west side of E 3rd St S between 1st Ave and 2nd Ave to increase parking capacity in the downtown business district.

Resolution

17. Resolution Approving the Granting of a Downtown Improvement Grant for 309 1st Avenue West
 - The new owner proposes facade improvements and new signage for the building at 309 1st Avenue West.
 - Upon project completion, the building will serve as a live-work structure where the business owner will also reside in the upper level.
 - Downtown Grant Review Board reviewed the project at their meeting on August 17, 2023.
18. Resolution Approving the Granting of a Downtown Housing Grant for 309 1st Avenue West
 - Carl Hentsch proposes to establish 309 1st Avenue West as a live-work building. In order to re-establish a residence within the structure, interior renovations are necessary.
 - The Downtown Grant Review Board reviewed the proposal at their meeting on August 17th.
 - A grant of up to \$20,000 is recommended, with a 1:1 match provided by the applicant.

19. Resolution approving Public Professional And Maintenance Employees Local 2003 2024-2029 Collective Bargaining Agreement

- The Public Professional and Maintenance Employees Local 2003 collective bargaining agreement with the City of Newton expires on June 30, 2024. There is an agreement with the Public Professional and Maintenance Employees Local 2003 which was negotiated following the guidelines that the City Council had previously set.
- It is recommended that the new agreement with the Public Professional and Maintenance Employees Local 2003 for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029 be approved pending union recertification.

Staff Report

20. Community Development Update - Erin Chambers, Community Development Director

Mayor/Council Comments

21. Mayor and Council Comments

Adjourn

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