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THREE NEW ORDINANCES SET TO BE ADOPTED BY COUNCIL

Final readings of proposed ordinances set for Thursday's regular council session

MUSCATINE, Iowa – The final readings of three proposed ordinances are on the agenda for the Thursday (May 19) Muscatine City Council meeting along with a resolution approving the issuance of General Obligation Bonds.



The in-person meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at Muscatine City Hall, 215 Sycamore Street, Muscatine, Iowa. A virtual meeting is also offered for those who want to view the proceedings or make a comment but cannot attend in person. Details for joining that meeting are listed below.

The final readings of an ordinance adopting Cargo Container Regulations, an ordinance amending the Weeds and Vegetation Management section of City Code, and an ordinance regarding zoning changes to the 1900 block of Stewart Road are on the May 19 agenda. The Cargo container and the Weeds and Vegetation Management ordinances have been revised following comments by City Council members during the May 5 Council meeting.



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Once approved by Council, the ordinances will be published, implemented, and added to the current City Code.

Susan Gerlach of Public Financial Management, the City's Financial Advisor for the May 2022 bond issue, will report to City Council on the bids received, the recommended successful bidder, and the bond rating Moody's Investors Service has assigned to the City for the bond issue. The Council will be asked to approve awarding the bid on the bonds.

The estimated total bond issue is for \$6.2 million with \$2.5 million earmarked for the Grandview Avenue Reconstruction Project. Other projects that are part of the bond issuance including \$1.08 million for a new fire engine, ambulance, and "demo" ambulance, \$200,000 for the vehicle wash bay at Public Works, \$200,000 for building demolition projects \$338,500 for playground and Aquatic Center repairs, \$450,000 to replace the tipping floor at the Muscatine Transfer Station, \$725,000 for the local share of the Park Avenue 4-to-3 Lane Conversion Project, \$195,000 for flood damage improvements, and \$274,000 for deferred building maintenance projects.

Thursday's City Council meeting is open to the public. Citizens who do not want to attend the in-person meeting can watch and/or participate through the GoToMeeting virtual meeting portal. Information on joining the session and how to make a comment during the meeting is listed below. The session will also be broadcast live on the City of Muscatine [YouTube channel](#) and on Muscatine Power & Water Cable Channel 2.

Information on the presentations and other agenda items can be found by clicking [AGENDA](#) to download the City Council agenda and/or attachments.

The best way for the public to participate virtually is to log on or dial in to the GoToMeeting session, mute your device, watch the session on YouTube or Cable Channel 2. At the appropriate time, you will be able to unmute your device to ask a question or make a comment. The public can also use the "chat" feature on the *GoToMeeting* virtual meeting to pose a question to the Mayor, Council, or staff member.



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Muscatine City Council Meeting | Thursday, May 19, 2022 | 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM (CDT)

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You can also use your phone by dialing [+1 \(669\) 224-3412](tel:+16692243412), follow the prompts, and type in Access Code 970-499-597 when prompted.

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