REGULAR CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, February 04, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers – Denison, Iowa

The regular council meeting of the City of Denison, Iowa, was held pursuant to law on the above date and hour. Mayor Pro-Tem Curnyn called the meeting to order with the following members present: Curnyn, Logan, Miller, Zupp-Smith, and Granzen by phone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mayor Pro-Tem Curnyn led the pledge of allegiance.
AGENDA APPROVED	Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ZONING CHANGES	5:00 p.m. public hearing was held on proposed zoning changes in Denison Block 18, City of Denison, Iowa. There were no written or oral objections. Mayor Pro-Tem Curnyn declared the hearing closed.
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED	Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda: a) approve the bills as presented; b) approve liquor licenses for: Hy-Vee Food Store; El Rey Mexican Market, LLC; Dollar General; c) approve device retailer license for: Tobacco & Vape Store, Inc; Denison; La Tendita Salvadorena; d) approve the Special Event Permits and waive the fees: Game On Dsm; and e) approve the hiring of Dean Thomsen as Seasonal Snow Removal, at an hourly wage of $22.45, effective 02/04/2025. Motion carried unanimously.
NO CITIZEN INPUT	There was no citizen input.
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS	Leed, Airport Manager, reported that a corporate airplane will need to rent a hangar. The Airport Commission meets tomorrow and they will discuss splitting a hangar to accommodate the airplane. Walley, Library Director, stated the library promotional video is on their website and she is compiling prices to possibly air the video on the local cable channels. Trejo, Police Chief, stated he added fire and county statistics to the monthly activity report to show additional detail. Snowgren, Fire Chief, reported that he needs to complete the department annual report but does not have access to CAD. Trejo stated that he would run the reports for Snowgren.

KELTEK ESTIMATE FOR UPFIT AND MOBILE DATA TERMINAL APPROVED	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Curnyn, to approve the estimates from Keltek for the upfit and Mobile Data Terminal for the Police Inter Utility AWD in the amount of $16,511.02. Roll call: Ayes: Zupp-Smith, Curnyn, Logan Nays: Miller, Granzen. Motion carried on a 3-2 vote. Trejo stated that Keltek provides a warranty on the equipment.
PURCHASE ORDER APPROVED FROM ASCENDANCE TRUCK CENTERS	Motion Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to approve the purchase order from Ascendance Truck Centers, for a used 2006 International 4300, in the amount of $41,000.00 to be paid out of the 2022 bond funds. Motion carried unanimously.
28E AGREEMENT AND 28E ATTATCHMENTS APPROVED	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Miller, to approve the 28E Agreement and 28E Attachment for Alcohol Enforcement between the Iowa Department of Revenue and the Denison Police Department. Motion carried unanimously.
CERTIFIED TESTING SERVICES INC FOR MAIN ST AND BROADWAY APPROVED	Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded by Curnyn, to approve the proposal from Certified Testing Services, Inc, for Main Street and Broadway Overlay Geotechnical Exploration, in the amount up to $5,640.00, contingent upon the work not being previously engineered. Motion carried unanimously.
RESOLUTION #2025-07 APPROVED	Resolution #2025-07 was introduced authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement for the sale of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2025. Motion by Zupp-Smith, seconded Logan, to approve Resolution #2025-07. Motion carried unanimously.
ORDINANCE #1574 ADOPTED	Ordinance #1574 was introduced amending Chapter 167 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Denison, Iowa, by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Zoning and Property District Regulations. Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to waive the 2nd and 3rd readings. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Miller, seconded by Zupp-Smith, to adopt Ordinance #1574. Motion carried unanimously.
DROPBOX DISCUSSION	Discussion was held on dropbox access. The City has received a request from an individual to receive access to dropbox. Garcia spoke with Brick, City Attorney, and he recommends Council set a policy for dropbox access and with one of three options: add a link to website; email city clerk for a copy; or request a copy of the specific document. Garcia stated a resolution would need to be drafted to create a policy. Staff would like to look at the options and see what would be easiest and if dropbox has a restricted number of users.

2025 BOND DISCUSSION	Discussion was held on the 2025 Bond. Garcia stated the following items were removed: snowplow, wellness center pledge, airport chain link fence, 2nd Avenue South-12th Street to South Main Street, 5th Avenue South, and Avenue C bridge approaches. The following items were added into the bond: 2nd Avenue South-15th Street to 16th Street, Broadway resurfacing-12th Street to 15th Street, and South Mai-(one block north and south of Broadway. The bond amount total is $2,488,090.00.
PROJECT EXPANSION DISCUSSION	Zupp-Smith would like to see Broadway from 15th Street to 16th Street added into the project. Flaherty stated that Council must decide on the amount to be bonded tonight and if the project is over the amount bonded, Council could add the additional funds into the next bond. Council would like to proceed with the amount presented.
FY 25/26 BUDGET DISCUSSION	Discussion on FY 25/26 Budget. Flaherty and Garcia worked with departments on budgets and the general fund deficit was reduced to ($50,000). Flaherty recommends starting with the departments that have over a five percent increase.
POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE DISCUSSION	Council would like to know if Trejo can go without a new vehicle for one year. Trejo would like to create a years and mileage report and provide to Council.
AQUATIC BUDGET DISCUSSION	Garcia and Flaherty reviewed Aquatic budget and the increase is for wages. Garcia will meet with Ellis and see if they can work the on schedule.
WAGE DISCUSSION	Logan would like to pay better wages to the pool employees and hold off on the police vehicle for one year.
CHIEF OF POLICE DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES	Trejo's priorities are in-car computers, in-car cameras, and telephones. He will look at vehicles and see where the department stands. He stated that unit 4 needs to be traded and he has spent around $7,000.00 on repairs so far this year.
POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATING SUPPLIES DISCUSSION	Flaherty recommends lowering the Police Department's operating supplies and equipment maintenance and repair lines. She believes that vehicle maintenance can be reduced if a new vehicle is purchased.
BUDGET LINES REDUCED FOR POLICE DEPT	Council reduced the Police Department's budget lines for new equipment to $10,000.00 and IT line to $15,000.00.
NO MAYOR REPORT	There was no Mayor Report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT	Garcia reported the RHRA group is waiting on the results from Iowa State Extension. She received an email that there has been a federal funding pause on the EPA Brownfield grant, FEMA BRIC grant, and Homeland Security grant. Flaherty and herself held budget meetings with departments, Wellness Center meetings, and Standard & Poors bond rating meeting. She will attend a Region XII TAC meeting tomorrow.
WASHINGTON PARK BATHROOM DISCUSSION	Garica asked Council to clarify the use of bond funds to update the Washington Park bathrooms this fiscal year. Council would like to complete this fiscal year and amend the budget.
ENTERED INTO CLOSED SESSION	Motion by Logan, seconded by Curnyn, to enter closed session at 6:08 p.m. per IA Code 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. Roll Call: Ayes: Logan, Curnyn, Granzen, Miller; Nays: Zupp-Smith. Motion carried on a 4-1 vote.
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION	Motion by Miller, seconded by Logan, to return to open session at 6:51 p.m., with no action taken.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

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Corey Curnyn, Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk