

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 21, 2025**

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Darter at 7:30 p.m.
2. The following Aldermen were present: Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, and Most.
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Stan Darter.
4. Correction or Withdrawal of Agenda Items by Sponsor.
Mayor Darter requested the withdrawal of Agenda Item 7I(1).
Motion to amend the agenda as requested by the Mayor was made by Alderman Hopkins and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, and Matt Buettner voting 'aye'.
5. Approval of Minutes as Written or Amended.
Approval of the July 07, 2025, City Council Meeting Minutes.
Motion made by Alderman Riley and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve the July 07, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes as presented.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, and Kyle Buettner voting 'aye'.
6. Petitions by Citizens on Non-Agenda Items.
Mr. Scott Woodsmall expressed his perplexity over the failure of the Municipal Grocery Tax in committee. Since this tax is also paid by individuals outside of Waterloo, residents of Waterloo would suffer a net loss if not implemented.
7. Reports and Communications from the Mayor and other City Officers.
 - A. Report of Collector / Budget Officer.
The Collection Report is in the packet.
Motion to accept the Collection Report was made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Most.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, and Charron voting 'aye'.
 - B. Report of Treasurer.
The Treasurer Report is in the packet.
Motion to accept the Treasurer Report was made by Alderman Vogt and seconded by Alderman Hopkins.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, and Most voting 'aye'.
 - C. Report of Building Inspector / Code Administrator. The report is in the packet.
 - D. Report of Subdivision and Zoning Administrator. The report is in the packet.
 - E. Report of Deputy Director of Public Works. No report.
 - F. Report of Director of Public Works.
The city recently received three public notifications for six violations related to the delayed submission of water samples. Two letters arrived last week, and one was received today. Our mission continues to provide safe and high-quality drinking water for our citizens and users. We are actively working to identify the causes behind these delays.
 - G. Report of Chief of Police. No report.
 - H. Report of City Attorney. No report.
 - I. Report and Communication by Mayor.
 1. Waterloo Beautification Check Presentation to Tina Carrico, for Chantilly Corner, in the amount of \$2,013.15. This item was withdrawn from the agenda.
8. Report of Standing Committees. None.
9. Report of Special Committees. None.

10. Presentation of Communications, Petitions, Resolutions, Orders and Ordinances by Aldermen.

A. Consideration and Action on Resolution No. 25-10 in Support of the Illinois America250 Commemoration.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Hopkins to accept Resolution No. 25-10 in Support of the Illinois America250 Commemoration.

Comments: This is a formal resolution to the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission and the Illinois America250 Commission that Waterloo is supporting the celebration of America's 250th anniversary.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, and Trantham voting 'aye'.

B. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1914 Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement between the City of Waterloo, IL, Thomas Albert Sternau and Taylor Marie Sternau in Regard to a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately 5.06 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 1602 Lakeview Drive.

Motion made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Charron to approve Ordinance No. 1914 Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement between the City of Waterloo, IL, Thomas Albert Sternau and Taylor Marie Sternau in Regard to a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately 5.06 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 1602 Lakeview Drive.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Kyle Buettner, Riley Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, and Charron voting 'aye'.

C. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1915 Authorizing the Annexation and Zoning of Property owned by Thomas Albert Sternau and Taylor Marie Sternau for a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately 5.06 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 1602 Lakeview Drive.

Motion made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Charron to approve Ordinance No. 1915 Authorizing the Annexation and Zoning of Property owned by Thomas Albert Sternau and Taylor Marie Sternau for a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately 5.06 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 1602 Lakeview Drive.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Kyle Buettner, Riley Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, and Charron voting 'aye'.

D. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1916 Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement between the City of Waterloo, IL, Nicole A. Castle and David B. Castle, Jr. in Regard to a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately .55 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 745 North Market Street.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve Ordinance No. 1916 Authorizing the Execution of an Annexation Agreement between the City of Waterloo, IL, Nicole A. Castle and David B. Castle, Jr. in Regard to a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately .55 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 745 North Market Street.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, and Trantham voting 'aye'.

E. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1917 Authorizing the Annexation and Zoning of Property owned by Nicole A. Castle and David B. Castle, Jr. for a Tract of Land Comprising Approximately .55 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 745 North Market Street.

Motion made by Alderman Riley and seconded by Alderman Kyle Buettner to approve Ordinance No. 1917 Authorizing the Annexation and Zoning of Property owned by Nicole A. Castle and David B. Castle, Jr. for a Tract of Land Comprising

Approximately .55 Acres, more or less, Contiguous to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Waterloo, IL, and more commonly known as 745 North Market Street.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, and Kyle Buettner voting ‘aye’.

F. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1918 Regarding Access Control for Rogers Street.

Motion made by Alderman Most and seconded by Alderman Kyle Buettner to approve Ordinance No. 1918 Regarding Access Control for Rogers Street.

Comments: This ordinance aligns with Monroe County’s on access control along Rogers Street. It was previously approved by the Ordinance Committee before moving forward to the City Council.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, and Riley voting ‘aye’.

G. Consideration and Action on Ordinance No. 1919 Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailers’ Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the City of Waterloo, IL.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Hopkins to approve Ordinance No. 1919 Implementing a Municipal Grocery Retailers’ Occupation Tax and a Municipal Grocery Service Occupation Tax for the City of Waterloo, IL.

Comments: This topic has come up several times in Utility Meetings. At tonight's Ordinance Committee Meeting, a motion was made and seconded to approve the implementation of the Municipal Grocery Taxes. However, the committee voted two in favor and three against, so the ordinance did not receive enough support for a favorable recommendation.

The Aldermen voted as follows:

AYE – Charron, Kyle Buettner, Vogt, Matt Buettner, and Hopkins.

NAY –Riley, Most, and Trantham.

ABSTAIN – None.

ABSENT – None.

Motion Passed by a vote of 5/3/0/0.

11. Unfinished Business. None.

12. Miscellaneous Business.

A. Consideration and Action on Solicitation Request from the Knights of Columbus for their 2025 Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll) Fund Drive to be held on September 19, 20 and 21, 2025 at the Intersections of Mill / Main and Rogers / Hamacher.

Motion made by Alderman Riley and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve a Solicitation Request from the Knights of Columbus for their 2025 Intellectual Disabilities (Tootsie Roll) Fund Drive to be held on September 19, 20 and 21, 2025 at the Intersections of Mill / Main and Rogers / Hamacher.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, and Kyle Buettner voting ‘aye’.

B. Consideration and Action on Approval of Huebner Concrete Contracting as Low Bidder, in the Amount \$253,579.50, for the 2025 Street, Curb, Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Improvement Program.

Motion made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Charron on Approval of Huebner Concrete Contracting as Low Bidder, in the Amount \$253,579.50, for the 2025 Street, Curb, Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Improvement Program.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, and Charron voting ‘aye’.

C. Consideration and Action on the Purchase of a New Standby Generator for the Northeast Sanitary Sewer Lift Station from Altorfer CAT in the amount of \$49,170.00.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve the Purchase of a New Standby Generator for the Northeast Sanitary Sewer Lift Station from Altorfer CAT in the amount of \$49,170.00.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, and Trantham voting ‘aye’.

13. Discussion of Matters by Council Members Arising After Agenda Deadline.
14. Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Most and seconded by Alderman Riley.
Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.
Mayor Darter adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Mechelle Childers – City Clerk