

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 04, 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 and Mayor for the Day, Isaac Linker.
4. Correction or Withdrawal of Agenda Items by Sponsor. None.
5. Approval of Minutes as Written or Amended.
 - A. Approval of the 07-21-25 7:10 p.m., Public Hearing Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Alderman Most and seconded by Alderman Riley to approve the July 21, 2025, 7:10 p.m., Public Hearing Minutes.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, and Riley voting ‘aye’.
 - B. Approval of the 07-21-25 7:20 p.m., Public Hearing Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Alderman Most and seconded by Alderman Kyle Buettner to approve the July 21, 2025, 7:20 p.m., Public Hearing Meeting Minutes.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, and Riley voting ‘aye’.
 - C. Approval of the 07-21-25 City Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Kyle Buettner to approve the July 21, 2025, City Council Meeting Minutes.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, Most, Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, and Trantham voting ‘aye’.
6. Petitions by Citizens on Non-Agenda Items. None.
7. Reports and Communications from the Mayor and other City Officers.
 - A. Report of Collector / Budget Officer. No report.
 - B. Report of Treasurer. No report.
 - C. Report of Subdivision and Zoning Administrator. No report.
 - D. Report of Deputy Director of Public Works. No report.
 - E. Report of Director of Public Works.
 - The U.S. reached a new record for electricity consumption on July 28 and July 29.
 - While Ameren customers are seeing a rate increase, the City of Waterloo customers are not impacted by this large increase.
 - F. Report of Chief of Police. No report.
 - G. Report of City Attorney. No report.
 - H. Report and Communication by Mayor.
 1. Certificate of Recognition to Mayor for the Day, Isaac Linker.
 2. Appointment of Mark Herrmann as the Building Inspector / Code Administrator effective August 05, 2025.
Consent was approved unanimously with Aldermen Vogt, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Charron, Kyle Buettner, Riley, and Most voting ‘aye’.
 3. 2025 Yard of Distinction Contest Awards.
 4. Waterloo Beautification Check Presentation to Tina Carrico, Chantilly Corner at 131 W. Mill Street, in the amount of \$2,013.15.
 5. Waterloo Beautification Check Presentation to DKK Properties, Ella Kay Bridal at 712 N. Market Street, in the amount of \$15,000.00.
8. Report of Standing Committees. No report.
9. Report of Special Committees. No report.
10. Presentation of Communications, Petitions, Resolutions, Orders and Ordinances by Aldermen. None.
11. Unfinished Business. None.

12. Miscellaneous Business.

A. Consideration and Action on Warrant No. 652.

Motion made by Alderman Riley and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve Warrant No. 652.

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 Contract with AO Creatives for Digital Marketing Services at a cost of \$11,100.00 less 15% Discount through Discover Downstate Illinois Tourism Bureau for a Total Cost of \$9,435.00 to be paid out of the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.

Motion made by Alderman Charron and seconded by Alderman Kyle Buettner to approve a Contract with AO Creatives for Digital Marketing Services at a cost of \$11,100.00 less 15% Discount through Discover Downstate Illinois Tourism Bureau for a Total Cost of \$9,435.00 to be paid out of the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund.

Comments: This digital marketing service was presented at both the Utility Committee Meeting and the Economic Development Committee Meeting, where it received a favorable recommendation.

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

C. Consideration and Action on the Purchase of Equipment Attachments from Fabick CAT in the amount of \$58,662.40 for the newly purchased Street Department Skid Steer Loader.

Motion made by Alderman Hopkins and seconded by Alderman Vogt to approve the Purchase of Equipment Attachments from Fabick CAT in the amount of \$58,662.40 for the newly purchased Street Department Skid Steer Loader.

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

D. Consideration and Action on the Purchase of a 2025 F-150 Crew Cab Pickup Truck for the City's Power Plant Department from Sunset Ford of Waterloo in the amount of \$51,465.70.

Motion made by Alderman Hopkins and seconded by Alderman Charron to approve the Purchase of a 2025 F-150 Crew Cab Pickup Truck for the City's Power Plant Department from Sunset Ford of Waterloo in the amount of \$51,465.70.

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

E. Consideration and Action on Waiving Normal Bidding Procedures, due to the customized nature of the equipment, and Approving the Purchase of a New Natural Gas Odorizer for the city's natural gas system from RKA Applied Solutions in the amount of \$67,050.00.

Motion made by Alderman Most and seconded by Alderman Vogt to approve Waiving the Normal Bidding Procedures, due to the customized nature of the equipment, and Approving the Purchase of a New Natural Gas Odorizer for the city's natural gas system from RKA Applied Solutions in the amount of \$67,050.00.

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

13. Discussion of Matters by Council Members Arising After Agenda Deadline.

Alderman Vogt asked if there would be a water violation update at next week's Utility Meeting. The Director of Public Works confirmed that an update would be provided.

Alderman Hopkins welcomed and congratulated Mark Herrmann on his appointment as the new Building Inspector.

Mayor Darter gave an overview of the day he spent with Mayor of the Day Isaac Linker.

14. Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Vogt and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner. Motion passed with unanimous voice vote. Mayor Darter adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.