



**Agenda
City Council Meeting
Monday, March 4, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.**

**City Council Chambers
201 East Pleasant Street
Maquoketa, IA 52060**

The Monday, March 4, 2024, Council meeting may be attended thru Zoom as allowed by Section 21.8 of Iowa Code. Anybody that would like to attend the meeting may do so thru the following means, and the meeting will rebroadcast over the local access channel:

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Web link: <https://zoom.us/j/96488987917>
Phone call: 312 626 6799
Meeting ID: 964-8898-7917

- 1. Call to order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Roll call**
- 4. Approval of the Agenda**
- 5. Public Participation**
- 6. Consent agenda**
 - a. Minutes – February 19, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting**
 - b. Bills Payable through March 4, 2024 in the amount of \$222,441.08**
 - c. Renew class "C" alcohol license filed by Jackson County Fair Association**
 - d. Alcohol license amendment for Kwik Star #894 and #212**
- 7. Old Business**

a. Ordinance No. 1215 - An ordinance rezoning 311 S 2nd Street, 307 S 2nd Street, and 305 S 2nd Street from R-1 Residential to R-2 Residential and amending current City zoning map of the City of Maquoketa – third reading

City Manager Summary: This the third ordinance consideration to the current zoning of 300 S 2nd St. In short, 311 S 2nd St has new owners that have been welcomed into the community and wish to open a bed and breakfast with the beautiful structure that is 311 S 2nd St. The current zoning (R-1) is conflict with the goals of the home/business plan but R-2 zoning is very close nearby. Thus, the solution is to extend R-2 zoning to 305-311 S 2nd Street.

This action comes recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Council support is recommended.

b. Ordinance No. 1216 - An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Maquoketa, Iowa, by adding a new stop sign on South Otto Street – third reading

City Manager Summary: This the third reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1216 and would authorize the install of a Stop Sign on South Otto St at East Locust. Several weeks ago, City Staff received a tip that an intersection in town simply does not have any yield or stop signage at South Otto Street and East Locust. This occasionally causes near-miss accidents and continuously concerns more than one neighbor. City Staff consulted the Public Safety Committee members seeking consensus on this item and also to ask if there were any other intersections in the City that were not at all protected by vehicle traffic signs. No other locations were identified therefore this is a single item ordinance alteration for a stop sign to become effective on South Otto Street at the T-intersection of East Locust St.

Council support is recommended.

8. New Business

a. Resolution pledging 10% local match support for the Iowa Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Program

City Manager Summary: This Resolution seeks to pledge 10% City support in the event the City of Maquoketa receives a valuable Energy Efficiency grant. The application is due March 18th. Results should be expected in April & May 2024.

A link to the Iowa Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Program is available [here](#).

The City's energy consumption and subsequent electric payments are stubbornly high. In early 2022, City Staff worked with MMEU and their parent provider, WPPI Energy, to produce a City-wide lighting inventory and energy efficiency recommendation. This was executed and shortly thereafter, the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) was signed into law by the Federal Government. The IRA is a significant environmental and energy efficiency package thus City Staff felt it would be best to delay any possible energy improvement proposals until IRA supported incentives cascade down to the State/City level. We are now at that point.

Since the City owns the lighting inventory and all of the steps completed to apply for this program, ECIA and the City both passionately believe the City is in a strong position to apply for this program compared to other jurisdictions. No match is required however City Staff is recommending a 10% cost match to help ensure success in our application.

For a City-wide lighting modernization, the anticipated cost is \$90,455 across all facilities. This was estimated by a local provider and is a reliable figure. Excluding the YMCA, the full payback is only 7.53 years which speaks to the level of energy savings the City would experience now and in the future. The City's financial liability in the 10% recommendation is \$9,045 if the application is successful. This would be shared among applicable Department Capital Improvement Plans relative to the investment cost in each building. Staff is excited to present this information and hopefully can deliver good news at a later time.

Council support is recommended.

9. Reports and Communications

a. Council Member Reports

b. City Manager Report

10. Adjournment