

**CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
SPECIAL SESSION**

The Dubuque City Council met in special session at 5:30 p.m. on June 15, 2026, in the second-floor Council Chambers of the Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

Present: Mayor Cavanagh; Council Members: Leyendecker, Resnick, Roussell, Sprank, Staver, Wethal (Virtually); Assistant City Manager Burbach, City Attorney Brumwell.

Mayor Cavanagh read the call and stated this is a special session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting a work session on the 50% by 2030 greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal.

**WORK SESSION**

Greenhouse Gases Goal

Sustainable Community Coordinator Gina Bell, Climate Action Coordinator Michelle Kim, Lotas Engineering and Sustainability Senior Associate Rachel Meier, and Lotas Engineering and Sustainability Research Associate Emma Kaznowski provided an update on the progress towards meeting the 50% by 2030 greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal. All presenters responded to questions from council regarding best practices for meeting long-term, science-based targets now that the Federal and State funding sources have been removed.

There being no further business, Mayor Cavanagh declared the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

/s/Trish L. Gleason, Assistant City Clerk

**CITY OF DUBUQUE, IOWA  
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
REGULAR SESSION**

The Dubuque City Council met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on June 15, 2026, in the second-floor Council Chambers of the Historic Federal Building, 350 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

Present: Mayor Cavanagh; Council Members: Leyendecker, Resnick, Roussell, Sprank, Staver, Wethal; City Manager Van Milligen, City Attorney Brumwell.

Mayor Cavanagh read the call and stated this is a regular session of the City Council called for the purpose of conducting such business that may properly come before the City Council.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Leyendecker requested Item No. 12 be held for separate discussion. Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, and dispose of as indicated. Seconded by Roussell. Motion carried 7-0. Motion by Leyendecker to receive and file the documents and approve Item No. 12. Seconded by Resnick. Motion carried 7-0.

1 Minutes and Reports Submitted: City Council Proceedings for June 1; Airport Commission for April 22; Historic Preservation Commission for May 19; Zoning Board of Adjustment for April 23; Proof of Publication of City Council Proceedings of May 12, 18, 2026 Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

2. Notice of Claims and Suits: Dan and Beth Kennedy for property damage; Nicholas Holzer for property damage. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and referred to the City Attorney.

3. Disposition of Claims: City Attorney advising that the following claims have been referred to Public Entity Risk Services of Iowa, the agent for the Iowa Communities Assurance Pool: Austin Bodenhofer for vehicle damage; Shannon Brenner for personal injury and vehicle damage; Nicholas Holzer for vehicle damage; and Dan and Bet Kennedy for property damage. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and concurred.

4. Approval of City Expenditures: Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 229-26 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer / City Treasurer to make Certain Payments of bills that must be paid and Approved for Payment in Accordance with City Procedures was adopted.

5. Signed Contracts: AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for Consulting Services Agreement-FEMA BRIC Grant BCA Assistance; Cahoy Pump Service for Deep Well No. 8 Emergency Repair; Cook Appraisal for Property Appraisal Services Contract - Old Mill Road Lift Station Phase 4 Sanitary Interceptor Project; Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. for Small Government Enterprise Licensing Agreement Quote; FEH Associates, Inc. dba FEH Design for AIA Document - Design Agreement-Fire Headquarters

Bunkroom; Global Payments-TSYS Merchant Solutions, LLC for Updated Contract - Jule Transit Passport Parking; ImOn for Telephone Services Adjustment; Kinseth Hospitality Company, Inc. for Site Access Agreement; MSA Professional Services, Inc. for Lead Water Main Replacement Project Engineering Design; Opening Specialists Inc. for Public Improvement Contract-Electronic Strikes for Federal Building; Strand Associates, Inc. for Contract Addition Five Flags - Task Order Amendment; The East Central Intergovernmental Association for Agreement for Services-ACRES Updates; Tyler Technologies, Inc. for Amendment; Valentine Home Improvement for Vendor Service Agreement-Service Line Assistance 239 Plum; All Seasons Heating and Cooling for Master Services Agreement; All Star Environmental LLC for Master Services Agreement; Altorfer, Inc. for Master Services Agreement; CBD Utility Contractors for Master Services Agreement; Heiar Brothers Fencing Inc. for Master Services Agreement; Midwest Concrete for Master Services Agreement; Neiland Refrigeration for Master Services Agreement; Overhead Door Co. of Dubuque for Master Services Agreement; Racom Corporation for Master Services Agreement; Tri-State Shred, Inc. for Master Services Agreement. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

6. Dubuque Golf & Country Club July 4 Fireworks Permit to Lance Marting of the Dubuque Golf & Country Club for a fireworks display on July 4, 2026, at the Dubuque Golf & Country Club. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

7. Dubuque Jaycees and Radio Dubuque July 3 Fireworks Permit to Perry Mason with Radio Dubuque for a fireworks display on July 3, 2026, along Volunteer Drive. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

8. Annual U.S. Census Bureau Boundary and Annexation Survey (BAS). The City of Dubuque, along with other units of government across the country, received notice in January to participate in BAS. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

9. Approval of the 28E agreement with Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing for performance of food and hotel licensing, inspections, and enforcement with respect to retail food establishments. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

10. Notice of a Stipulation of Settlement for the 2025 property tax appeal filed by Theisen's Warehouse LLC for their property located at 6201 Chavenelle Road. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

11. Allocation of funds previously committed by the City Council to support Dubuque Main Street's SWAP Grant Program to recipients: Troy Froistad - 1838 Central Ave., Damyrah McDaniels / Nail Vixens – 1810 Central Ave., Korrin Schriver / ReEvolution Farms - 2418 Central Ave., Joseph Unga - 1527 Central Ave., and Eric Whitfield / Bluff Street Books – 409 Bluff Street. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

12. Approval to submit a proposal for the Jeffris Family Foundation Capital Campaign Challenge Grant and authorize the Mayor to sign the proposal on behalf of the City of Dubuque. Planning Services Director Wally Wernimont responded to questions from the council. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

13. Approval of the submittal of the grant application and funding request to the Urban Sustainability Directors Network Catalyst Grant Fund Program. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 230-26 Retroactively Authorizing the Filing of an Application for the Catalyst Fund with Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN) was adopted.

14. Love Your Block Grant Application: authorization to submit the City of Dubuque's application for the Bloomberg Center for Public Innovation Love Your Block 2026–2028 grant. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

15. Mayor Cavanagh transmitting a letter of support for the City of Dubuque's application for the Love Your Block 2026–2028 grant. Upon motion the documents were received and filed.

16. Approval of a letter of support for the Crescent Community Health Center's application for a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Fruit and Vegetable Incentive Program under the Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

17. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 231-26 Approving a Letter of Support to the Iowa Economic Development Authority Workforce Housing Tax Incentive Program to Extend the Compliance Period for Contract No. 26-Whitip-026 on Behalf of Millwork Flats, L.L.C. for a Project at 1065 Jackson Street was adopted.

18. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Contracted Services Agreements presented by Housing and Community Development Director Maddy Haverland for Community Solutions of Eastern Iowa, Four Mounds HEART, and Hawkeye Area Community Action Program, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contracts on behalf of the city. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

19. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Contracted Services Agreements, presented by Economic Development Director Jill Connors for the Dubuque Area Labor - Management Council, Dubuque Dream Center, Dubuque Main Street, the Fountain of Youth Program, Four Mounds Foundation to manage the Dubuque Winter Farmers Market, the Greater Dubuque Development Corporation, Travel Dubuque, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contracts on behalf of the city. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

20. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Contracted Services Agreements presented by Economic Development Director Jill Connors for the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque; Envision Dubuque and Project HOPE and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contracts on behalf of the City. Upon motion the documents were received, filed, and approved.

21. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Purchase of Service Agreements as recommended by the Community Development Advisory Commission (CDAC) at their May 20, 2026, meeting with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, Community Solutions of Eastern Iowa, Opening Doors Emergency Shelter Program, Opening Doors Extended Stay

Program, and Opening Doors Transitional Housing Program, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the contracts on behalf of the City. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 232-26 Authorizing Execution of FY27 Purchase of Services Grant Agreement to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Dubuque, Resolution No. 233-26 Authorizing Execution of FY27 Purchase of Services Grant Agreement to Community Solutions of Eastern Iowa, Resolution No. 234-26 Authorizing Execution of FY27 Purchase of Services Grant Agreement to Opening Doors Emergency Shelter Program, Resolution No. 235-26 Authorizing Execution of FY27 Purchase of Services Grant Agreement to Opening Doors Extended Stay Program, and Resolution No. 236-26 Authorizing Execution of FY27 Purchase of Services Grant Agreement to Opening Doors Transitional Housing Program was adopted.

22. Approval of transfer of funds for capital projects and other expense reimbursements. Iowa Administrative Rules Code 545-2.5(5), which implements Iowa Code Section 384.18, was amended to require that all transfers of moneys from one budgeted fund to another budgeted fund must be approved by a resolution beginning April 13, 2019. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 237-26 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to make the Appropriate Interfund Transfers of Sums and Record the same in the Appropriate Manner for the FY 2026 for the City of Dubuque, Iowa was adopted.

23. Acceptance of the public improvements and giving authorization for the payment of the final contract amount of \$178,120.00 to Eastern Iowa Asphalt Maintenance, Inc., for the Public Works Concrete Banding and Crack Sealing Project. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 238-26 Accepting the Public Works Concrete Banding and Crack Sealing Project and Authorizing Final Payment to the Contractor was adopted.

24. Acceptance of the Grant of Easement for Sanitary Sewer Utility from CCI5, LLC for a public sanitary sewer extension as part of the Joel Callahan apartment complex development on 150 Cedar Cross Road in Dubuque (known as The Landings on Cedar Cross). Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 239-26 Accepting a Grant of Easement for Sanitary Sewer Utility Through, Under, and Across Part of Lot 1 Cedar Ridge Commercial Park, in the City of Dubuque, Iowa was adopted.

25. Acceptance of the improvements and authorize the final payment for the Well No.7 Rehabilitation Project 2024 – Phase 2 to Peerless Well & Pump in the amount of \$308,115. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 240-26 Accepting the Well No.7 Rehabilitation 2024 - Phase 2 Project and Authorizing Final Payment to the Contractor was adopted.

26. Approval of the Plat of Survey of Tamarack S.E. Fifth Subdivision as submitted, subject to waiving the street frontage requirement for Lot 2 as recommended by the Zoning Advisory Commission. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 241-26 Authorizing Approval of the Plat of Survey of Tamarack S.E. Fifth Subdivision, Dubuque County, Iowa was adopted.

27. Approval of the Final Plat of Bucks Run Subdivision as submitted, subject to waiving the lot frontage requirement for Lots 2 and 3 as recommended by the Zoning Advisory

Commission. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 242-26 Authorizing Approval of the Final Plat of Bucks Run Subdivision, Dubuque County, Iowa was adopted.

28. Approval of the Final Plat of Bluff Strokes subject to waiving the minimum lot size and front yard setback requirements for Lot 1 and the front and side yard setbacks and maximum lot coverage requirements for Lot 2 as recommended by the Zoning Advisory Commission. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 243-26 Authorizing Approval of the Final Plat of Bluff Strokes in the City of Dubuque, Iowa was adopted.

29. Authorization of city staff to submit the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) State Recreational Trails grant application for the White Street cycle track project. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 244-26 Authorizing the Filing of a Grant Application with the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) State Recreational Trails Grant Assist with Funding the White Street Cycle Track Project was adopted.

30. Approval of retail alcohol licenses as submitted. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 245-26 Approving applications for retail alcohol licenses, as required by City of Dubuque Code of Ordinances Title 4 Business and License Regulations, Chapter 2 Liquor Control, Article B Liquor, Beer and Wine Licenses and Permits was adopted.

31. Approval of retail tobacco permit and device retailer permits as submitted. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 246-26 Approving Applications for Retail Tobacco and Device Retailer Permits, as Applicable and Required by Iowa Code 453A.47A and 453E.3 was adopted.

### **ITEMS SET FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents, adopt the resolutions, and set all five public hearings for a meeting to commence at 6:30 p.m. on July 6, 2026, in the Historic Federal Building. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

1. Assignment of Development Agreement with Gronen Development, Inc. to 5th & Main, LLC. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 247-26 Intent to Dispose of an interest in City of Dubuque Real Estate by Approving an Assignment of Development Agreement by and between the City of Dubuque and Gronen Development, Inc. to 5<sup>th</sup> & Main, LLC, Fixing the date for a Public Hearing of the City Council of the City of Dubuque, Iowa on the Assignment of Development Agreement and Providing for the Publication of Notice thereof was adopted setting the public hearing as indicated.

2. Issuance of Not to Exceed \$50,000 Water Revenue Capital Loan Notes Planning and Design Loan (State Revolving Loan Fund Program) Lead Water Main Replacement Project. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 248-26 To fix a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposal to enter into a Water Revenue Loan and

Disbursement Agreement and to Borrow Money Thereunder in a Principal Amount not to Exceed \$50,000 was adopted setting the public hearing as indicated.

3. Well No. 7 Rehabilitation - Phase 3 Project and Initiate Public Bidding. Due to timing of the project, the funding for this project will be subject to the first budget amendment in FY27. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 249-26 Well No. 7 Rehabilitation - Phase 3 Project, Preliminary Approval of Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost; Setting Date of Public Hearing on Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost; and Ordering the Advertisement for Bids was adopted setting a public hearing as indicated.

4. Dubuque Fire Headquarters Bunkroom Remodel Project Initiate Public Bidding with an estimated construction cost of \$640,354.00, and specifications. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 250-26 Dubuque Fire Headquarters Bunkroom Remodel Project, Preliminary Approval of Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost; Setting Date of Public Hearing on Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost; and Ordering the Advertisement for Bids was adopted setting the public hearing as indicated.

5. Proposed Second Amendment to Development Agreement with Kinseth Hospitality Company, Inc. for development of a SpringHill Suites by Marriott hotel in the Port of Dubuque. Gleason noted that public input was provided for this item. Upon motion the documents were received and filed, and Resolution No. 251-26 Fixing the date for a Public Hearing of the City Council of the City of Dubuque, Iowa on a Second Amendment to Development Agreement by and between the City of Dubuque, Iowa and Kinseth Hospitality Company, Inc., Including the Proposed Issuance of Urban Renewal Tax Increment Revenue Obligations Relating thereto, and Providing for the Publication of Notice thereof was adopted setting the public hearing as indicated.

## **BOARDS/COMMISSIONS**

1. Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Commission: Two, 3-Year terms through June 30, 2028 (Vacant Arts Representative term of Ochoa and Expiring Arts Representative term of Donald) Applicants: Douglas Donald, 2920 Arbor Oaks Ct. Qualifies for Arts Representative Gail Chavenelle, 1155 Kelly Ln. Qualifies for Arts Representative. Motion by Sprank to appoint Donald and Chavenelle to the terms. Seconded by Resnick. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Board of Library Trustees: Two, 3-Year terms through July 1, 2029 (Expiring terms of Bland and Gregory) Applicants: Andrew Bland, 1227 Timber Hyrst Ct. Tasha Rosenbaum, 1205 Adeline St. Paul Uzel, 61 North Algona St. Upon roll call vote, Bland and Rosenbaum were appointed to the terms. Bland was unanimously appointed. Rosenbaum received 4 votes (Staver, Leyendecker, Resnick, and Cavanagh) and Uzel received the remaining 3 votes for the other 3-year term.

3. Building Code Advisory and Appeals Board: One, 3-Year term through January 1, 2027 (Vacant Commercial Construction Professional term of Beard) Applicant: Rod Schumacher, 3552 Eclipse Cir. Qualifies for Commercial Construction Professional. Motion by Sprank to appoint Schumacher to the term. Seconded by Rousell. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Cable Television Commission: Three, 3-Year terms through July 1, 2029 (Expiring terms of Guerrero, Maloney and Tigges) Applicants: Georgina Guerrero Galvan, 245 Princeton Pl., Scott Goedert, 2042 Deborah Dr. - Additional Applicant, Pauline Maloney, 506 Saint George St., Ronald Tigges, 4927 Wild Flower Dr. - Additional Applicant. Upon first roll call vote, Guerrero-Galvin was appointed to the term. Goedert received 1 vote (Staver) and Tigges Received 1 vote (Wethal) and Guerrero-Galvin received the remaining 5 votes. Upon second roll call vote, Maloney was appointed to the term. Goedert received 2 votes (Staver and Leyendecker) and Maloney received the remaining 5 votes. Upon third roll call vote, Tigges was appointed to the term. Goedert received 2 votes (Staver and Leyendecker) and Tigges received the remaining 5 votes.

5. Historic Preservation Commission: One, 3-Year term through July 1, 2029 (Expiring Architect At-Large term of Monk) One, 3-Year term through July 1, 2029 (Expiring Living within the Langworthy District term of Witthoeft) One, 3-Year term through July 1, 2027 (Vacant Living within the Old Main District term of Gustafson) Applicants: Matthew Kline, 220 West 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Qualifies for Living within the Old Main District; Christina Monk, 2770 Van Buren Ave. Qualifies for Architect At-Large; Chad Witthoeft, 430 Alpine St. Qualifies for Living within the Langworthy District. Motion by Roussell to appoint Matthew Kline to the Living within the Old Main District term, Christina Monk to the Architect At-Large term, and Chad Witthoeft to the Living within the Langworthy District term. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

6. Long Range Planning Advisory Commission: Two, 3-Year terms through July 1, 2029 (Expiring terms of Rabagia and Ward) Applicants: Aaron Higgins, 3589 Crescent Ct. - Additional Applicant, Carolyn Kelly, 515 Sunset Rdg - Additional Applicant, Mark Ward, 2758 Tiffany Ct. Upon first roll call vote, Higgins was appointed to the term. Kelly received 3 votes (Staver, Wethal, and Roussell), and Higgins received the remaining 4 votes. Upon second roll call vote, Ward was appointed to the term. Kelly received 1 vote (Staver), and Ward received the remaining 6 votes.

7. Park and Recreation Advisory Commission: Two, 3-Year terms through June 30, 2029 (Expiring terms of Axtell and Kennicker) Applicants: Ron Axtell, 1895 Norland Dr. Robin Kennicker, 2929 Elm St. Motion by Sprank to appoint Axtell and Kennicker to the terms. Seconded by Roussell. Motion carried 7-0.

8. Zoning Advisory Commission: One, 3-Year term through July 1, 2029 (Expiring term of Christ) Applicant: Jake Koch, 1537 Irving St. Gleason noted that Koch submitted written input in support of his application. Motion by Resnick to appoint Koch to the term. Seconded by Leyendecker. Motion carried 7-0.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Approval of Development Agreement with Greater Dubuque Impact Investment Fund for the redevelopment and sale of the property at 455 East 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 252-26 Approving the Sale of Real Property Owned by the City of Dubuque by Sale to Greater Dubuque Impact Investment Fund Pursuant to a Development Agreement by and between the City of Dubuque and Greater Dubuque Impact Investment Fund. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 6-0 with Cavanagh abstaining.

2. Municipal Services Center Roof and HVAC Replacement Project. Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 253-26 Municipal Services Center Roof and HVAC Replacement Project, Approval of Plans, Specifications, Form of Contract, and Estimated Cost. Public Works Director Arielle Swift responded to budget questions from council. Seconded by Wethal. Motion carried 7-0.

## **PUBLIC INPUT**

Kim Mangers, 9421 Laudeville Rd. and Marybeth Decker, 9111 Laudeville Rd., both county residents, spoke in opposition of allowing Data Centers to be built in Dubuque.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025, Annual Comprehensive Financial Report and Finance Manager Brian DeMoss made a presentation. Mauldin and Jenkins Partner David Irwin, Certified Public Accountant, provided a comprehensive report of the City's 2025 audit. Irwin noted the auditors' opinion on the financial statements as unmodified, sometimes referred to as a "Clean" audit. This is the highest level of assurance auditors can provide over financial statements. Irwin stated that this report provides Council and management confidence that the financial information presented in these financial statements can be used as a reliable basis for informed decision making. DeMoss and Irwin responded to questions from the Council. Irwin specifically addressed questions regarding the city's processes regarding recharges, sighting that the process the city follows is an acceptable and lawful process. City Attorney Brumwell further explained the lawfulness of the process the city follows. Motion by Resnick to receive and file and listen to the presentation. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Awarding the Public Improvement Construction Contract for the Asbury, Carter, and Chaney Traffic Signal Improvement Project to Portzen Construction in the amount of \$348,287.98, which is 17% above the estimate of probable cost. Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 254-26 Awarding Public Improvement Contract for the Asbury, Carter, and Chaney Traffic Signal Improvement Project. Seconded by Leyendecker. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Awarding of the Public Improvement Construction Contract for the North Schmitt Island Collection System Project - Contract #2 to Tschiggfrie Excavating Co. in the amount of \$225,133.80, which is 45% above the estimate of probable cost. Motion by Sprank to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 255-26 Awarding Public Improvement Contract for the North Schmitt Island Collection System Project - Contract #2 Project. City Engineer Gus Psihoyos responded to questions from Council. Seconded by Leyendecker. Motion carried 7-0.

4. Awarding of the Public Improvement Construction Contract for the Southwest Arterial / US 52 ITS Corridor Project to Eastern Iowa Directional Drillers, LLC in the amount of \$1,593,173.08. Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 256-26 Awarding Public Improvement Contract for the Southwest Arterial / US 52 ITS Corridor Project. Seconded by Resnick. Motion carried 7-0.

5. Awarding of the Greyhound Park Road Water Main Loop Project contract to Eastern Iowa Excavating & Concrete, LLC of Cascade, Iowa in the amount of \$204,993.75, which is 29.5% lower than the estimate. Motion by Resnick to receive and file the documents and adopt Resolution No. 257-26 Awarding the Public Improvement Contract for the Greyhound Park Road Water Main Loop Project. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

6. Ordinance Amendment - Off-Premises Sign Regulations Moratorium Extension: Approval to extend the Temporary Building Permit Moratorium until September 21, 2026. Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and that the requirement that a proposed ordinance be considered and voted on for passage at two Council meetings prior to the meeting at which it is to be passed be suspended. Planning Services Director Wally Wernimont responded to questions from the council. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Roussell for final consideration and passage of Ordinance No. 27-26 Amending City of Dubuque Code of Ordinances Title 14 Building and Development, Chapter 2 Building Construction, Demolition and Moving, Section 14-2-4 Moratorium for Construction or Other Work on Certain Streets, Areas, or Facilities by Extending the Off-Premises Sign Moratorium Effective Date to September 21, 2026. Seconded by Sprank. Motion carried 7-0.

7. Removal of the fire cost recovery ordinance from the June 15<sup>th</sup> agenda and placed on the agenda for a Council meeting in July. City Attorney Brumwell noted the agreement must be renegotiated to mirror the revisions to the ordinance before it can be presented to Council. Motion by Roussell to receive and file the documents and approve. Seconded by Resnick. Motion carried 7-0.

8. Approval of the Request for Proposals of City Manager Executive Recruitment Services. City Attorney Brumwell responded to questions from Council and explained a possible timeline. Motion by Resnick to receive and file, approve scheduling a special meeting for the review and hiring of the firm that will facilitate the process of the new city manager candidates by the end of August. Seconded by Roussell. Motion carried 7-0.

## **COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS**

Council Member Roussell reported planting trees through the Branching Out Program, working on the Hill Street Orchard, meeting with Friends of Dubuque Parks, Dubuque Trees, Dubuque Main Street, Attended Dubuque Pride Fest and a church food give-a-way.

Mayor Cavanagh reported on attending the US Conference of Mayors where the focus of discussion was on data centers and affordable housing, Trip to Washington DC along with Council Members Resnick, Leyendecker, and Sprank, staff and community members to advocate for Dubuque needs with Congressional members, thanked everyone for their patients and hard work during the storm clean up, and attended the Iowa League of Cities Legislative Policy meeting in Bennett Iowa.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Wethal to convene in closed session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss Purchase or Sale of Real Estate – Chapter 21.5(1)(j) Code of Iowa. Seconded by Resnick. Mayor Cavanagh

stated for the record that the attorney who will consult with City Council on the issues to be discussed in the closed session is City Attorney Brumwell. Motion carried 7-0.

The City Council reconvened in open session at 8:37 p.m. stating that staff had been given proper direction.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor Cavanagh declared the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

*/s/Trish L. Gleason, Assistant City Clerk*