



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 14, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Council Chambers - 331 First Street East

AGENDA

RULES OF PROCEDURE

Meeting is live-streamed on the Indytel Local Access Channel, YouTube, and Facebook. Per the Rules of Procedure for Conduct of City Council Business, the length of any meeting shall be limited to three (3) hours. This limitation may be extended for any particular meeting by a super majority (two-thirds (5 out of 7)) vote to suspend the rules and extend the meeting by the time required. The Mayor shall be responsible for enforcing this rule.

MEETING OPENING

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. Approve the Agenda

The agenda may be amended to remove items during this time, but no items may be added to the agenda.

4. Public Comment

*Welcome to Visitors: 5-minute time limitation for speaking, no profanity will be tolerated, and no personal attacks against Council Members or City Staff will be allowed. **The Council is unable to respond or take any action at this time.** Please state your name and address before addressing the Council for the official record.*

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Accept and Approve Consent Agenda
 - a. The minutes of the June 23, 2025, regular meeting.
 - b. Independence BrewBQ Special Class C Retail Alcohol License application with a tentative effective date of August 22, 2025, through August 26, 2025.
 - c. Chuong Garden Special Class C Retail Alcohol License renewal with a tentative effective date of July 11, 2025, through July 10, 2026.
 - d. Request to hunt within City limits from Kent Young Jr. for the October 1, 2025, to January 10, 2026, bowhunting season.
 - e. Request to hunt within City limits from Daniel Young for the October 1, 2025, to January 10, 2026, bowhunting season.

All items listed under the Consent Agenda will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a request is made prior to the time the Council Votes on the motion.

FINANCIALS

6. Approve the Claims
7. Bank Reconciliation – *Information Only*
8. Revenues and Expenses to date – *Information Only*

INDEE STORAGE URBAN RENEWAL AREA

9. Public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Independence Urban Renewal Area
10. Resolution to Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.4 of the Code of Iowa and Approve Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Expanded Independence Urban Renewal Area
11. An Ordinance Providing for the Division of Taxes Levied on Taxable Property in the July, 2025 Addition to the Independence Urban Renewal Area, Pursuant to Section 403.19 of the Code of Iowa
12. Resolution Setting a Date of Meeting at Which it is Proposed to Approve a Development Agreement with Indee Storage, LLC, Including Annual Appropriation Tax Increment Payments

RESOLUTIONS

13. Resolution Extending Moratorium on Enforcement of Certain Sign Regulations
14. Resolution to approve Pay Application #2 for the 8th Avenue NW - IPF Area Stormwater Improvements Project
15. Resolution to Assess Property Owner(s) for Chapter 52 Mowing of Properties - Failure to Comply
16. Establish a date and time for a Public Hearing to consider a Rezoning Request from C-2 Commercial to C-1 Commercial within the City of Independence, Buchanan County, Iowa

OTHER BUSINESS

17. Vehicle (Pickup) – Authorization for Purchase
18. Extrication Tool - Authorization for Purchase
19. Signal Upgrade – 150 Hwy and Enterprise Dr.
20. Derelict Properties

REPORTS

Reminder to Council that reports is not for group discussion on items not on the agenda. This is the time to give shout-outs to people or groups. If you would like to talk about an item for a future meeting, you can ask for it here but there can not be further discussion on the item as it could lead to an open meeting law violation.

21. PD Monthly Reports
22. FD Monthly Reports
23. Building Department Monthly Reports
24. ILPT Reports
25. Council Members
26. Staff/Other
 - City Manager
 - Mayor
 - Other Department Heads / Staff

ADJOURNMENT

This agenda is subject to change.