

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING/WORK SESSION MINUTES
Webster City, Iowa March 6, 2024 – 5:30 p.m.

The City Council met for a special Public Meeting/Work Session at the City Hall, Webster City, Iowa at 5:30 p.m., on March 6, 2024, upon call of the Mayor and the advance agenda.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Hawkins and roll being called there were present in Council Chambers the following: Mayor John Hawkins and Council Members Abbie Hansen, Megan McFarland, Matt McKinney and Logan Welch.

2. It was moved by McFarland and seconded by Hansen to approve the agenda.

ROLL CALL: Hansen, Hawkins, McFarland, McKinney and Welch voting aye.

3. Mayor John Hawkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. A Work Session was held on the 2024-2025 proposed Budget. Also in attendance for the Work Session were Interim City Manager John Harrenstein, Finance Director Dodie Wolfgram and City Clerk Karyl Bonjour. Bob Oliver of the Daily Freeman Journal was also present along with a couple members from the public.

Finance Director Wolfgram provided details of the proposed FY2025 Property Tax Levy which included use of some reserves for Benefits. Consensus of Council was to move forward with the proposed levy of 18.14, which is a decrease from the 19.74 levy last year, and to proceed in setting the required public hearing.

Interim City Manager John Harrenstein provided working draft documents and overviews of the following: General Fund, Road Use Tax Fund, Capital Improvement Reserve Fund/Sales Tax Fund (LOSST), Electric Fund, Water Fund and Sewer Fund. Discussion was held with Council on the current and future status of equipment purchases, improvements and projects from the various funds. There was a consensus of Council to proceed with a revision to the Wastewater Facility Assessment to be completed within six months.

Interim Harrenstein also presented information on request from the Chamber of Commerce for additional funding above what the City is currently contributing.

It was moved by McKinney and seconded by Hansen that Council adjourn.

ROLL CALL: Hawkins, McFarland, McKinney, Hansen and Welch voting aye.

The March 6, 2024 Special Public Meeting/Work Session stood adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

John Hawkins, Mayor

Karyl K. Bonjour, City Clerk