

City of Granger  
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Mayor James opened the Public Hearing to consider amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Granger with respect to Zoning to amend to add Code Section 167.07(8) regarding a Storage Limitation of no more than 40% of the square footage of any building in the C-3 Zoning District at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center, 2200 Walnut Street, Granger, Iowa, 50109. With no written or oral comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:02 p.m. Opened at 7:02 p.m., the Mayor announced that this was the time and place for the Public Hearing and meeting on the matter of the authorization of a Loan Agreement and the issuance of not to exceed \$550,000 General Obligation Refunding Capital Loan Notes Anticipation Project Note, Series 2020, dated December 22, 2020 issued to pay costs of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, extending, remodeling, improving, repairing and equipping all or part of the Municipal Water Utility system, including those costs associated with improvements at the water treatment plant, for essential corporate purposes, and that notice of the proposed action by the Council to institute proceedings for the authorization of the Loan Agreement and the issuance of the Notes had been published as provided by Sections 384.24A and 384.25 of the Code of Iowa. With no written or oral comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

Action to appoint Kirk Bjorland as temporary Acting City Clerk was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Roll Call: Present: Backous, Danilson, Saak                      Not Present: Bermel, Brandt

Backous made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Matt Pontious – Action to approve the request to close Maplewood Drive from Aspen to Sunview Drive for a block party on July 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. was approved by Saak, seconded by Backous. All Ayes. The City will provide road closed signs.

Jason Engnell – Walter’s Sanitary Service, Inc. – Action on Resolution 2023-23 – amending the Agreement for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal with Walter’s Sanitary Service, Inc. effective August 1, 2023, was approved by Saak, seconded by Backous. All Ayes. Action to approve increasing the City garbage rates to match the increase by Walter’s Sanitary Service, Inc. was approved by Saak, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

City Building Official Update – The certificate of occupancy should be issued next month for the property at 1806 State Street.

City Administrator Report – There will be a meeting tomorrow on the Public Safety Building in regards to the second level. Preliminary cost estimates of the project will be announced on the 21st which will be brought back to the August meeting.

City Engineer Report - Ironwood Estates Plat 4 - Action on Resolution 2023-24 - approving Construction Plans for Ironwood Estates Plat 4 was approved by Saak, seconded by Backous. All Ayes. Action on Resolution 2023-25 - to approve the L.I.G. Estates Plat of Survey was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes. Action on Resolution 2023-26 - to approve the Plat of Crouse Brothers Farm was approved by Saak, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes. State Street Improvements - DOT Agreement for August meeting. Water Main Connection on Main Street will be brought back at the August meeting. Water Tower Overflow Design - going to bid for 250,000, 300,000, and 400,000 gallons. Need the artwork of the new water tower by the end of September. Birch Street Alternatives - budget for FY2025 estimated at \$280,000 to widen Birch Street. New Urban Renewal Areas - direct the staff to establish the two urban renewal plans and identify what projects will be funded. Veenstra suggested Fareway and SE Development as the two areas. Motion to direct staff to establish the two urban renewal areas was approved by Danilson, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Plan & Zoning Report – Action to approve Ordinance 416 regarding Storage Limitations in the C-3 District, first reading was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Police Report – The Police had 76 calls in June: 3 alarms; 2 animal complaints; 2 broadcasts; 1 civil disputes; 2 disturbances; 2 domestics; 2 harassment/threats; 4 fireworks; 4 follow-up investigations; 1 illegal burn; 1 information; 1 livestock complaint; 4 medical/ambulance trips; 2 motorist assists; 4 ordinance violation; 1 public assist; 5 return phone calls; 3 scams; 4 suspicious; 1 theft; 4 traffic complaints; 1 traffic hazard; 16 traffic stops; 1 property report; 2 violation of protection orders; 2 welfare checks; and 1 noise complaint. Action to approve the hiring of Jared Manning as Police Officer in the amount of \$48,000 effective July 31, 2023, was approved by Saak, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

EMS Report – Action to approve resignation of Charles White was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes. Action to approve the hiring of Trevor Tuel as part-time EMT effective immediately was approved by Saak, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes. Action to approve part-time base pay scale backdated to July 1, 2023, was approved by Saak, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes. Action to approve going out for bid for the sale of the 2009 Ambulance was approved by Saak, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

Parks and Recreation Report – Get bids to address parking lot. Landscape Architect putting design together for park and WG Soccer Club has raised \$2,128 to be used for soccer field updates and maintenance. Registrations open for adult coed softball, fall bags league, morning

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yoga, flag football, youth volleyball and FOTH stem event. Fundraising account is at \$683.13. Casino night will be December 3rd. There will be a tentative home run derby fundraiser for scoreboards on August 19th. Grant was submitted to the Iowa Living Roadway Trust Fund. Partners of the Parks will run the dunk tank and the Park Board will have a tent at Granger Days.

Public Works Report - Aaron will work with Ben to amend the irrigation meter ordinance. Aaron would like to get equipment to mow right of ways and ditches using RUT money and get on next City Council agenda for possible approval.

Granger Days Report - Action to approve the 5k walk/run/bike and parade routes was approved by Saak, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes. Action to authorize Bud's Pub to close street from State Street to the edge of Bob Gross' building on Main Street for Granger Days starting Noon on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup> through Noon on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> for band performances was approved by Backous, seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

Action on Resolution 2023-26 – instituting proceedings to take additional action for the issuance of Not to Exceed \$550,000 General Obligation Refunding Capital Loan Notes was approved by Danilson, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Action to approve resignation of Cory Brown from the Plan and Zoning Commission effective June 7, 2023, was approved by Danilson, seconded by Backous. All Ayes.

Action to approve appointment of Gavin Scroggin to Plan and Zoning Commission for term ending December 31, 2024 (taking over remaining term of Cory Brown) was approved by Backous, seconded by Saak. All Ayes.

Finance Committee member Backous reported that everything is in order. Action to approve the Finance Committee Report was approved by Saak and seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

Action to approve the bills for payment was approved by Saak and seconded by Danilson. All Ayes.

Mayor's Report - Mayor James mentioned that he had complaints regarding the fireworks ordinance which currently allows fireworks July 1st through July 8th. His suggestion is to reduce down to July 3rd and July 4th only. City Council members present had mixed emotions, need to talk to other Council members that were not present and bring back for August meeting for further discussion. Received TEAP study from DOT and will get comment and questions together to send back to DOT.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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Tony James, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kirk Bjorland, Acting City Clerk

**JUNE 2023 CLAIMS**

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
515 Axe	Granger Days Axe Throwing	\$ 1,200.00
A King's Throne	Granger Days Portable Bathrooms	\$ 580.00
Access Systems	IT Support	\$ 548.01
Access Systems Leasing	Copier Lease + Usage	\$ 558.87
Access Systems Leasing	Server Lease	\$ 248.52
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 482.15
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 393.00
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 548.50
Agsource Laboratories	Wastewater tests + UPS shipping charges	\$ 266.50

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Ahlers & Cooney, PC	Fareway URP	\$ 231.00
Amazon Business	Hammermill Printer 11x17 Paper	\$ 46.72
Amazon Business	16" Travel Backpack	\$ 41.99
Amazon Business	Tide Liquid Laundry Detergent	\$ 19.94
Amazon Business	Bic Black and Blue Retractable Ballpoint Pens	\$ 14.90
Amazon Business	Hammermill Printer 8.5x11 Paper	\$ 39.99
Amazon Business	Staples	\$ 3.12
Amazon Business	Hammermill Printer 8.5x11 Paper	\$ 48.86
Amazon Business	Pickleball Net Set	\$ 110.48
Amerigroup Iowa, Inc.	Ambulance Bill Overpayment Reimbursement	\$ 45.07
Anliker, Kelly	Reim for Parks & Rec Chacuterie Board Class	\$ 70.00
Atura Architecture	Public Safety Bldg. Design Development Services Thru 6/3/23	\$ 39,875.00
Atura Architecture	Public Safety Bldg. Design Development Services Thru 7/7/23	\$ 29,321.06
Awards Program Service	Helmet/Locket Name Tags	\$ 112.00
Background Investigation Bureau	Background Checks - Eslick/Tuel	\$ 28.90
Background Investigation Bureau	Background Checks - Coaches	\$ 144.50
Badger Meter	Beacon Mobile Hosting Serv for June 2023	\$ 49.32
Banleaco	Folder/Inserter Lease	\$ 154.22
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 457.69
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 319.82
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 306.48
Barnes & Noble	Books	\$ 280.67
Barnes & Noble	EGC Certs	\$ 35.00
Barnes & Noble	EGC Certs/Wordsearch Books	\$ 65.20
Barnes & Noble	Hot Wheels/Scentsorys/Boggle/Jenga/Putty/Wordsearch Puzzles/Legos/Phone Stands/ Selfie Halo Lights/Desktop Cornhole/Shuffleboard/Ty Beanie Boos/Sew Pens/EGC Certs	\$ 243.72
Bilbo, Jessica	Chair Yoga	\$ 35.00
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Bjorland, Kirk	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Bomgaars	Propane Torch	\$ 69.99
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Electrodes	\$ 22.90
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Sensors	\$ 77.97
Brown, Fagen & Rouse	Legal Serv for July 2023	\$ 2,800.00
Capital City Equipment	Oil/Hydraulic Fluid	\$ 132.94
Capital City Equipment	Assembly Roller	\$ 17.03

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Capital City Equipment	Bolt Blade/Spring/Cover	\$ 100.58
Cardio Partners	Electrode Pads	\$ 123.00
Casey's Business MasterCard	Fuel	\$ 1,973.59
Central Iowa Distributing	Hand Soap/Toilet Paper	\$ 206.00
Central Iowa Distributing	Garbage Bags/Toilet Paper	\$ 155.00
Culligan Water of Adel	Bottled Water + Cooler Rental	\$ 75.09
Dallas Co. ISU Extension	Art Extravaganza Registration Fees	\$ 450.00
Daniels Filter Service	Air Filters	\$ 189.84
Demco	Paperfold Adjustable Jackets/Vistafoil Laminate 4-Mil Gloss Finish	\$ 124.34
Empowerment Solutions	Quarterly Hosting Fee	\$ 225.00
ESO Solutions, Inc.	Application for Tracking Non-Response Activities/Daily Log/Online Scheduling/Reporting for Fire/EMS 7/1/23-6/30/24	\$ 1,122.70
ESO Solutions, Inc.	Web-Based Asset Management and Apparatus Checklist for Fire/EMS 7/28/23-7/27/24	\$ 1,479.96
Fire Recovery EMS	May Billing	\$ 533.23
Fire Recovery EMS	June Billing	\$ 609.18
First Medical	Electrode Snap Monitoring/Exam Gloves/Alcohol Pads/Tourniquet/Suction Tube/Yankauer	\$ 129.26
First Medical	Irrigation Solvent Sterile Water	\$ 16.80
Frank Smith Law Office	Annexation Matter Professional Services	\$ 12,627.10
General Fire Safety	Hydro-Test & Update Kitchen Fire Suppression System/Inspection	\$ 1,219.00
General Fire Safety	Alarm System Testing	\$ 175.00
Hach Company	Ammonia Test Strips/Singlets	\$ 175.86
Hansen Mechanical	Pump Solids out of the WWTP Conveyor Pit	\$ 375.00
Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine/Sodium Permanganate/LPC-4	\$ 5,484.45
Hawkins, Inc.	Chlorine/Sodium Permanganate	\$ 3,265.89
Heard, Hunter	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
IMFOA	Annual Membership Dues 4/1/23-3/31/24	\$ 100.00
Iowa Co. Attorneys Association	Iowa Acts of Interest Registrations - Armstrong/Cox	\$ 150.00
Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources	FY24 Annual Water Supply Fee	\$ 181.99
Iowa League of Cities	FY24 Annual Membership Dues	\$ 1,303.00
Iowa One Call	811 Emails	\$ 52.20
JP Party Rentals	Granger Days Inflatables	\$ 5,652.25
Johnson, Jenni	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Keystone Laboratories	Water Tests	\$ 71.50
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Linde Gas & Equipment	Oxygen	\$ 506.33

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MAFCO Buildings	Rock for Community Center Driveway	\$ 575.00
McLaughlin, Eric	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Menards	Tripod Impulse Sprinkler	\$ 49.99
Menards	Hose/Spray Nozzle	\$ 52.29
Menards	Interior Detailer Wipes/4x6 Nylon Flag	\$ 42.68
Menards	4 Cycle Gas 32 oz.	\$ 27.92
Menards	Spring Snap/AAA Duracell Batteries	\$ 10.28
MercyOne Clive Pharmacy	EMS Medications	\$ 12.81
MIPA	FY 24 Membership Dues	\$ 249.00
Miller Fidler & Hinke	Endorsement for INMRC Effective 4/1/23	\$ 50.00
Mullins, Aaron	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Oberholte, Nick	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
Oriental Trading	I Love Reading Dog Tag Necklaces/Stovepipe Hat Rubber Duckies/I Love Reading Stress Toy/I Love Reading Kit/Block Party Bubble Bottles/Icy Two-Tone Bouncing Balls	\$ 138.39
Oriental Trading	Patriotic Punch Balls/American Spirit Pinwheels/Ice Cream Cone Shooters/9 Bright Color Flying Discs	\$ 111.07
Oriental Trading	Bulk Small Bubble Wands/Bulk Bubble Tube/Block Party Bubble Bottles	\$ 186.55
Oriental Trading	Patriotic Foam Glasses/Star Pony Bead Necklace/Foam Patriotic Cool Treats Magnet/ Patriotic Animal Pals Craft Kit/Patriotic Turtle Foam Ornament/Tropical Shell Craft Kit/ Cool Safari Animal Magnet	\$ 214.74
Pink Stew Entertainment	Balloon Workshop	\$ 110.00
Quadient Finance USA	Postage	\$ 400.00
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Quick Oil Co.	55 Gal IOW30 Motor Oil	\$ 904.75
Racom	EDACS Access/BEON Access	\$ 508.70
Rogue Training Consulting	FF 1 Training	\$ 250.00
Sandry Fire Supply	Tru-ID Double Jacket Fire Hose	\$ 972.00
Schneider Graphics, Inc.	Decal Change on Community Center/Library Hours	\$ 207.99
Signature Sign & Graphic Studio	Field Signs	\$ 96.18
Sparklehoopdance	1 Hr. Hula Hoop Entertainment	\$ 50.00
State Hygienic Laboratory	Water Tests	\$ 27.00
Storey Kenworthy	#10 Window Envelopes	\$ 231.15
Strauss Security Systems	Quarterly Access Hosting Fees	\$ 167.85
Sylvan Learning Center	Lego Engineering 6/5-6/8/23	\$ 474.00

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Sylvan Learning Center	Bots Labs	\$ 790.00
Trzeciak, Kristy	Cell Phone Reimbursement	\$ 35.00
UPS	Shipping	\$ 12.00
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Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Highway 17 Utility Extensions	\$ 7,658.63
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for New Water Tower Design	\$ 9,430.00
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Voluntary Annexation Assistance	\$ 3,605.50
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Engineering Services for Landing at Oxley Creek West Plat 2	\$ 1,730.42
Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.	Building Permit Fees for May 2023	\$ 13,048.28
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Residential Garbage Reimbursement 6/1-6/30/23	\$ 10,468.20
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 112.09
Walter's Sanitary Service, Inc.	Container Rental/Pickup	\$ 262.28
Williams Scotsman	Police Trailer Rental	\$ 328.00
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	TOTAL	<b>\$175,415.50</b>
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**EXPENSE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 74,321.53
Road Use Tax Fund	\$ 35.00
Capital Project Fund	\$ 86,284.69
Water Fund	\$ 11,308.20
Sewer Fund	\$ 3,466.08
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TOTAL	<b>\$175,415.50</b>
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**REVENUE TOTALS PER FUND**

General Fund	\$ 71,482.69
Road Use Tax Fund	\$ 25,534.27
Employee Benefit Fund	\$ 3,271.14
Emergency Fund	\$ 213.82
Local Option Sales Tax Fund	\$ 36,677.46

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TIF Fund	\$ 241.86
Debt Service Fund	\$ 2,702.38
Water Fund	\$ 34,098.15
Sewer Fund	\$ 56,421.10
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TOTAL	<b>\$230,642.87</b>
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