

CITY OF HASTINGS, NEBRASKA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Monday, July 14, 2025

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hastings, Nebraska was conducted at the Hastings Municipal Airport, 3300 West 12th Street, on July 14, 2025.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in Regular Session by Mayor Beckby with the following members present: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong, Maggie Esch, Larry Consbruck, Brad Consbruck. Absent: None. The following City Officials were present: City Administrator, Mark Funkey; City Attorney, Jesse Oswald; City Clerk, Tyler Ficken; Fire Chief, Troy Vorderstrasse; Police Chief, Adam Story; Parks & Recreation Director, Jeff Hassenstab; Utility Manager, Derek Zeisler; Director of Engineering, Lee Vrooman; City Planner, Ember Batelaan; Development Services Director, Kevin Kubo; Library Director, Kelly Reisig; Director of Finance/City Treasurer, Roger Nash; Technology Director, Erik Nielsen; Public Information Manager; Tony Herrman; Information Technology, Kirk Layton; Safety Director, Trent Clark.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited.

Moved by Steve Huntley seconded by Michael Anderson to adopt the current agenda. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

PUBLIC NOTICE - Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on Friday, July 11, 2025. Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material which will be discussed at today's meeting is available for public review and a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted and accessible to members of the public.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION:

Councilmember Rowan stated that he attended the Community Theater over the weekend and enjoyed the experience. He has met the new Library Director, Kelly Reisig, and asked her to introduce herself which she did. He attended the City-County meeting where a good discussion was held; it's good to learn lessons from each other and share successes.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

Service Anniversaries: Jeffery Campbell, Electric 40; Donald Hegemann, Operations, 15; Lori Vorderstrasse, Clerk, 40; Lindsey Stone, IT, 20; Dustyn John, IT, 5.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. All Consent Items.

Moved by Brian Hoffman seconded by Maggie Esch to approve the consent agenda. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(a) Approval of the minutes of the Council Meeting of June 23, 2025

(b) Approval of the minutes of the Worksession of June 16, 2025

(c) Approval of claims and payroll

(d) Approval of the request of Hastings College to utilize city property for the Melody Round-Up Parade on September 27, 2025

(e) Approval of the request of the United Way of South Central Nebraska to utilize city property for the Plane Pull event to be held at the Hastings Municipal Airport on September 27, 2025

(f) Approval of Work Order GA-387, new four inch medium pressure gas main on 23rd Street, Elm Avenue to Hudson Way; Hudson Way, 23rd Street to 22nd Street to west property line of Outlot A, Block 1

REGULAR AGENDA:

2. Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting.

None.

3. Public Hearings.

(a) Public hearing regarding change of zoning for properties currently zoned R-3G, Multiple-Family Residential Garden Apartment District to R-3, Multiple-Family Residential District. Ordinance No. 4808 amending the Zoning District Map to rezone properties currently zoned R-3G, Multiple-Family Residential Garden Apartment District to R-3, Multiple-Family Residential District. Mayor Beckby opened the public hearing. Mayor Beckby closed the public hearing following no comments from the public. Ember Baletaan

reported that the rezoning generally conforms with the comprehensive plan, there is adequate infrastructure to serve the properties, the proposed zoning fits the character of the neighborhood and densities are compatible with nearby properties. The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to recommend approval to rezone the properties. Moved by Brian Hoffman seconded by Steve Huntley to approve Ordinance No. 4808 and to amend the Official Zoning District Map to rezone properties currently zoned R-3G, Multiple-Family Residential Garden Apartment District to R-3, Multiple-Family Residential District. Councilmember B. Consbruck inquired about the old zoning type. Ember Baletaan provided the R-3G zone type originated from 1968 and was repealed in 2009; the change was intended previously but did not occur due to changes in staffing. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried. Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Brian Hoffman to suspend the rules on Ordinance No. 4808 and take to the second and final reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried. The motion to suspend the rules was adopted by three fourths vote of the Council and the statutory rule was declared suspended for consideration of said ordinance. The ordinance is declared to be lawfully adopted upon publication as required by law.

4. General Business.

(a) Approval of the Final Plat for the Cedar Park Subdivision. Moved by Matt Fong seconded by Steve Huntley to approve the Final Plat for the Cedar Park Subdivision. Ember Baletaan reported that the final plat would divide the property into twelve lots to include ten town homes units and four apartment buildings for 58 total units. The request conforms with the 2025 comprehensive plan for Medium Density Residential land use, conforms to applicable zoning regulations, there is appropriate access, and the public infrastructure meets standards. The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to recommend approval of the final plat. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

(b) Approval of administration agreement with South Central Economic Development District, Inc. for Community Development Block Grant #24-ED-003 (Bruckman Rubber Company project). Moved by Huntley seconded by Fong to approve authorizing Mayor to sign administration agreement with South Central Economic Development District, Inc. for Community Development Block Grant #24-ED-003 (Bruckman Rubber Company project). Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck,

Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

5. Ordinances and Resolutions.

(a) Ordinance No. 4798 amending Section 2-1501 of the Official Hastings City Code establishing term limits and restrictions on multiple appointments to the City Boards and Committees (Second and possible Final Reading.) Moved by Larry Consbruck seconded by Michael Anderson to approve the amended Ordinance No. 4798 amending Section 2-1501 of the Official Hastings City Code establishing term limits and restrictions on multiple appointments to the City Boards and Committees on Second Reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Larry Consbruck, Marc Rowan, Jay Beckby. Nays: Brad Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Absent: None. The motion carried.

6. Final Passage of Ordinances.

(a) Ordinance No. 4803 extending the boundaries and including within the corporate limits of and annexing to the City of Hastings property generally located southeast of the intersection of Fisherman Lane and Outrigger Avenue in Cimarron Meadows 13th Addition. Moved by Steve Huntley seconded by Larry Consbruck to approve Ordinance No. 4803 to annex property generally located southeast of the intersection of Fisherman Lane and Outrigger Avenue, in the City of Hastings, Adams County, Nebraska on Final Reading. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Marc Rowan, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion carried.

7. Appointments.

None.

8. Miscellaneous and Other Business.

None.

9. Possible Closed Session (if necessary or requested).

None.

Moved by Steve Huntley seconded by Michael Anderson there being no further business before the Council to adjourn at 6:28 p.m. Roll Call: Ayes: Steve Huntley, Michael Anderson, Brad Consbruck, Larry Consbruck, Maggie Esch, Brian Hoffman, Matt Fong. Nays: Marc Rowan. Absent: None. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

George J.J. Beckby, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

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