
Palo City Council Meeting Agenda

November 17th, 2025, at 6:30 PM
City Council Chambers
2800 Hollenbeck Road

Welcome

Date & Time

Roll Call

1. **Approval of the Agenda**
2. **Consent Agenda**
 - A. Bill Approval
 - B. Treasurers Report
 - C. Financial Reports
 - D. Council Minutes October 20th, 2025
3. **Linn County Sheriff Report**
4. **Department Reports**
 - A. Clerk Report
 - B. Maintenance Report
 - C. Fire Department Report
 - D. Park & Rec Report
 - E. Mayor Report
5. **Agenda Related Audience Comments**
(No Discussion, 5 Minutes)
This comment period is for audiences to address topics on today's agenda
6. **Linn County Data Center Discussion - Charlie Nichols, Linn County Planning & Development Director**
7. **Speer Financial TIF Report**
 - A. Discussion
8. **Tax Increment Financing Palo, Palo Commercial, and Prairie Meadows Housing Urban Renewal Areas TIF Certification FY27**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725A**
9. **Annual Appropriation Prairie Vista Phase I**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725B**
10. **Annual Appropriation Prairie Vista Phase II**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725C**
11. **Annual Appropriation Cedar River Plaza**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725D**
12. **Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of Private School Revenue Bonds (Xavier School Project)**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725E**
13. **Palo Farmer's Market Request**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion
14. **Re-setting the Public Hearing for FY26 Budget Amendment #1**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725F**
15. **Re-setting the Public Hearing for Amending the Future Land Use Map**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725G**
16. **Annual Financial Report to the State**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725H**
17. **Compensation Review for Department Staff and Deputy Clerk**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725I**
18. **Annual gWorks accounting software renewal \$18,000**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725J**
19. **Proposal for new accounting software contract \$14,000 transition cost**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725K**

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20. **GIS software**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion
21. **Community Service Policy for No-Fee Rentals of Palo Facilities**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Possible Motion **Resolution 111725L**
22. **Consider An Ordinance No. 85-2025 Amending Chapter 99 (Sewer Service Charges) of the City Code of Ordinances of the City of Palo, Iowa**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Consider motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 85-2025
 - C. Consider motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 85-2025
 - D. Consider motion for final passage and adoption with respect to **Ordinance No. 85-2025 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 99 (SEWER SERVICE CHARGES) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALO, IOWA**
23. **Consider An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 26 “Utility Committee” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Palo, Iowa**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Consider motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 86-2025
 - C. Consider motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 86-2025
 - D. Consider motion for final passage and adoption with respect to **Ordinance No. 86-2025 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 26 “UTILITY COMMITTEE” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALO, IOWA**
24. **Consider An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 26 “Beautification Committee” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Palo, Iowa**
 - A. Discussion
 - B. Consider motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 87-2025
 - C. Consider motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate readings of Ordinance No. 87-2025
 - D. Consider motion for final passage and adoption with respect to **Ordinance No. 87-2025 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 26 “BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE” OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALO, IOWA**
25. **General Audience Comments**
(No Discussion, 5 Minutes)
This is an opportunity for the public to address the City Council on any subject pertaining to Council business.
26. **New/Old Council Business**
(No Discussion)
27. **Adjourn**

Mayor, Eric Van Kerckhove

Councilmembers, Angie Brekke, Pete Hagstrom, Doug Hanover, Jen Welton, Darren Stoltenberg

City Staff, Jennifer Fencl, City Clerk
Clark Robertson, Public Works
Michelle Cheever, City Engineer
Dan Morgan, City Attorney

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