

AGENDA

City of University Heights, Iowa
 City Council Meeting
 February 10, 2026
 Community Center OUP
 1302 Melrose Avenue
 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Meeting called by Mayor Louise From

	TOPIC	OWNER
7:00 Call to Order Regular Meeting	Roll Call	Louise From
	Approval of Minutes January 13, 2026, and January 27, 2026.	Louise From
7:05 Public Input	Comments from members of the public	Louise From
Administration		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor 	Mayor's Report	Louise From
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Attorney 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Legal Report</u></p> <p>Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 26-07</u> Authorizing and approving a certain Loan Agreement, providing for the issuance of \$1,500,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026, and providing for the levy of taxes to pay the same.</p> <p>First Consideration of <u>Ordinance No. 258</u>, amending Ordinance No. 235 to conform Community Police Relations Ordinance to changes in State law.</p> <p>First Consideration of <u>Ordinance No. 259</u>, amending Ordinance No. 52 to reduce the number of members of the Tree Board from 5 to 3.</p>	Steve Ballard
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Administrator 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>City Administrator Report</u></p> <p>Paul Kruse, from IPAIT will speak about investment opportunities for the City.</p>	Troy Kelsay
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Clerk 	<u>City Clerk Report</u>	Mike Haverkamp
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> City Treasurer 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>City Treasurer Report / Payment of Bills</u></p> <p>Consideration of <u>Resolution No. 26-08</u> Approving financial institutions as official depositories and specifying limits on the maximum amount that may be deposited at each institution.</p>	Jon Brown
Committee Reports		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance 	<p style="text-align: center;">Committee Report</p> <p>Discussion of <u>Proposed Tax Levy Rate for FY27</u>.</p>	Nick Herbold Jon Brown
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Protection 	<u>Police Chief Report & Committee Report</u>	Chris Akers Mackenzie Dwyer
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streets & Sidewalks 	<u>Engineer's Report & Committee Report</u>	Ryan Foley Doug Swailes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building, Zoning, Sanitation 	Committee Report	Tim Schroeder
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> eGovernment 	<u>Committee Report</u>	Liesa Moore
Announcements		
9:00 Adjournment		Louise From

Next Regular City Council Meeting is March 10, 2026, at the Community Center - OUP, 1302 Melrose Avenue. If you wish to participate in the meeting electronically, please email admin@university-heights.org for instructions.

February '26 – City Attorney's Report

1. **2026 General Obligation Borrowing.** The Council will consider Resolution No. 26-07, which approves a loan agreement and provides for the sale and issuance of \$1,500,000.00 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026, and provides for the levy of taxes to pay those bonds. Resolution No. 26-07 is attached.
2. **Amending to Conform to Changes in State Law.** The Council will have first consideration of Ordinance No. 258, which amends Ordinance No. 235, the City's Community Police Relations Ordinance to conform to changes in State law. Specifically, Ordinance No. 258 disbands the Citizens' Advisory Board and modify direction to UHPD concerning collection and reporting of data. City Administrator Kelsay will provide context and explain the reasons for these proposed changes. Ordinance No. 258 is attached.
3. **Reducing Tree Board Membership.** The Council will have first consideration of Ordinance No. 259, which amends Ordinance No. 52 to reduce the City Tree Board's membership from 5 to 3. Mayor From and City Administrator Kelsay will provide context and explain the reasons for this proposed change. Ordinance No. 259 is attached.
4. **Designating Additional Official City Depositories.** The Council will consider Resolution No. 26-08, which designates financial institutions where the City may deposit funds. Iowa law requires Cities to designate official depositories where they will keep funds, and the City of University Heights has periodically done so. The City may designate as many depositories as it desires and is not obligated to keep funds at a particular institution simply because the institution is included on the list. Naming several institutions gives the City flexibility to avail itself of market-driven rates and other account features. Resolution No. 26-08 adds Nicolet National Bank, which is acquiring MidWestOne Bank, to the list of official depositories. The Resolution is attached.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-07

Resolution Authorizing and Approving a Certain Loan Agreement, Providing for the Issuance of \$1,500,000.00 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026, and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay the Same

WHEREAS, the City of University Heights (the “City”), in Johnson County, State of Iowa heretofore proposed to enter into a General Obligation Loan Agreement (the “Loan Agreement”), pursuant to the provisions of Section 384.24A of the Code of Iowa, and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$4,370,000.00 for the purpose of paying the costs, to that extent, of (a) constructing street, water system, sanitary sewer system, sidewalk and storm water drainage improvements; and (b) acquiring and installing street lighting, signage and signalization improvements (the “Projects”), and pursuant to law and a notice duly published, the City Council has held a public hearing on such proposal on December 9, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a Preliminary Official Statement (the “P.O.S.”) has been prepared to facilitate the sale of the General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026 (the “Bonds”) in evidence of the obligation of the City under the Loan Agreement, and the City has made provision for the approval of the P.O.S. and has authorized its use by Speer Financial, Inc. as municipal advisor to the City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to advertisement of sale, bids for the purchase of the Bonds were received and canvassed on behalf of the City and the substance of such bids noted in the minutes; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to make final provision for the approval of the Loan Agreement and to authorize the issuance of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, upon final consideration of all bids, the bid of D.A. Davidson & Co., Denver, Colorado (the “Purchaser”), was determined to be the best, such bid proposing the lowest interest cost to the City for the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Purchaser has executed a certain official bid form/sale agreement (the “Sale Agreement”) with respect to the Loan Agreement and the Bonds, and the City Council has previously approved the Sale Agreement and has made provision for its execution and delivery; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to make final provision for the approval of the Loan Agreement and to authorize the issuance of the Bonds,

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the City Council of the City of University Heights, as follows:

Section 1. The City shall enter into the Loan Agreement with the Purchaser, in substantially the form as has been placed on file with the City

Council, providing for a loan to the City in the principal amount of \$1,500,000.00, for the purpose or purposes set forth in the preamble hereof.

The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Loan Agreement on behalf of the City, and the Loan Agreement is hereby approved. The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute and deliver any necessary documents to carry out the purposes of this resolution, including without limitation closing and tax certificates.

Section 2. The Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of \$1,500,000.00, are hereby authorized to be issued in evidence of the City's obligations under the Loan Agreement. The Bonds shall be dated February 25, 2026, shall be issued in the denomination of \$5,000.00 each or any integral multiple thereof and shall mature on June 1 in each of the years, in the respective principal amounts, and bear interest at the respective rates as follows:

Date	Principal	Interest Rate	Date	Principal	Interest Rate
2027	\$125,000	4.00%	2032	\$150,000	4.00%
2028	\$130,000	4.00%	2033	\$160,000	4.00%
2029	\$135,000	4.00%	2034	\$165,000	4.00%
2030	\$140,000	4.00%	2035	\$170,000	4.00%
2031	\$145,000	4.00%	2036	\$180,000	4.00%

Section 3. UMB Bank, n.a., West Des Moines, Iowa, is hereby designated as the Registrar and Paying Agent for the Bonds and may be hereinafter referred to as the "Registrar" or the "Paying Agent." The City shall enter into an agreement (the "Registrar/Paying Agent Agreement") with the Registrar, in substantially the form as has been placed on file with the City Council; the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Registrar/Paying Agent Agreement on behalf of the City; and the Registrar/Paying Agent Agreement is hereby approved.

The City reserves the right to optionally prepay part or all of the principal of the Bonds maturing in the years 2034 to 2036, inclusive, prior to and in any order of maturity on June 1, 2033, or on any date thereafter upon terms of par and accrued interest. If less than all of the Bonds of any like maturity are to be redeemed, the particular part of those Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Registrar by lot. The Bonds may be called in part in one or more units of \$5,000.00.

If less than the entire principal amount of any Bond in a denomination of more than \$5,000.00 is to be redeemed, the Registrar will issue and deliver to the registered owner thereof, upon surrender of such original Bond, a new Bond or Bonds, in any authorized denomination, in a total aggregate principal amount

equal to the unredeemed balance of the original Bond. Notice of such redemption as aforesaid identifying the Bond or Bonds (or portion thereof) to be redeemed shall be sent by electronic means or mailed by certified mail to the registered owners thereof at the addresses shown on the City's registration books not less than 30 days prior to such redemption date. Any notice of redemption may contain a statement that the redemption is conditioned upon the receipt by the Paying Agent of funds on or before the date fixed for redemption sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Bonds so called for redemption, and that if funds are not available, such redemption shall be cancelled by written notice to the owners of the Bonds called for redemption in the same manner as the original redemption notice was sent. All of such Bonds as to which the City reserves and exercises the right of redemption and as to which notice as aforesaid shall have been given and for the redemption of which funds are duly provided, shall cease to bear interest on the redemption date.

Accrued interest on the Bonds shall be payable semiannually on the first day of June and December in each year, commencing December 1, 2026. Interest shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. Payment of interest on the Bonds shall be made to the registered owners appearing on the registration books of the City at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding the interest payment date and shall be paid to the registered owners at the addresses shown on such registration books. Principal of the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America to the registered owners or their legal representatives upon presentation and surrender of the Bond or Bonds at the office of the Paying Agent.

The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the City with the official manual or facsimile signature of the Mayor and attested with the official manual or facsimile signature of the City Clerk, and shall be fully registered Bonds without interest coupons. In case any officer whose signature or the facsimile of whose signature appears on the Bonds shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of the Bonds, such signature or such facsimile signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery.

The Bonds shall be fully registered as to principal and interest in the names of the owners on the registration books of the City kept by the Registrar, and after such registration payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon shall be made only to the registered owners or their legal representatives or assigns. Each Bond shall be transferable only upon the registration books of the City upon presentation to the Registrar, together with either a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar or the assignment form thereon completed and duly executed by the registered owner or the duly authorized attorney for such registered owner.

The record and identity of the owners of the Bonds shall be kept confidential as provided by Section 22.7 of the Code of Iowa.

The Bonds shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the Certificate of Authentication thereon shall have been signed by the Registrar.

Section 4. Notwithstanding anything above to the contrary, the Bonds shall be issued initially as Depository Bonds, with one fully registered Bond for each maturity date, in principal amounts equal to the amount of principal maturing on each such date, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (“DTC”). On original issue, the Bonds shall be deposited with DTC for the purpose of maintaining a book entry system for recording the ownership interests of its participants and the transfer of those interests among its participants (the “Participants”). In the event that DTC determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or the City determines not to continue the book entry system for recording ownership interests in the Bonds with DTC, the City will discontinue the book entry system with DTC. If the City does not select another qualified securities depository to replace DTC (or a successor depository) in order to continue a book entry system, the City will register and deliver replacement bonds in the form of fully registered certificates, in authorized denominations of \$5,000.00 or integral multiples of \$5,000.00, in accordance with instructions from Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC. In the event that the City identifies a qualified securities depository to replace DTC, the City will register and deliver replacement bonds, fully registered in the name of such depository, or its nominee, in the denominations as set forth above, as reduced from time to time prior to maturity in connection with redemptions or retirements by call or payment, and in such event, such depository will then maintain the book entry system for recording ownership interests in the Bonds.

Ownership interests in the Bonds may be purchased by or through Participants. Such Participants and the persons for whom they acquire interests in the Bonds as nominees will not receive certificated Bonds, but each such Participant will receive a credit balance in the records of DTC in the amount of such Participant’s interest in the Bonds, which will be confirmed in accordance with DTC’s standard procedures. Each such person for which a Participant has an interest in the Bonds, as nominee, may desire to make arrangements with such Participant to have all notices of redemption or other communications of the City to DTC, which may affect such person, forwarded in writing by such Participant and to have notification made of all interest payments.

The City will have no responsibility or obligation to such Participants or the persons for whom they act as nominees with respect to payment to or providing of notice for such Participants or the persons for whom they act as nominees.

As used herein, the term “Beneficial Owner” shall hereinafter be deemed to include the person for whom the Participant acquires an interest in the Bonds.

DTC will receive payments from the City, to be remitted by DTC to the Participants for subsequent disbursement to the Beneficial Owners. The ownership interest of each Beneficial Owner in the Bonds will be recorded on the

records of the Participants whose ownership interest will be recorded on a computerized book entry system kept by DTC.

When reference is made to any action which is required or permitted to be taken by the Beneficial Owners, such reference shall only relate to those permitted to act (by statute, regulation or otherwise) on behalf of such Beneficial Owners for such purposes. When notices are given, they shall be sent by the City to DTC, and DTC shall forward (or cause to be forwarded) the notices to the Participants so that the Participants can forward the same to the Beneficial Owners.

Beneficial Owners will receive written confirmations of their purchases from the Participants acting on behalf of the Beneficial Owners detailing the terms of the Bonds acquired. Transfers of ownership interests in the Bonds will be accomplished by book entries made by DTC and the Participants who act on behalf of the Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interest in the Bonds, except as specifically provided herein. Interest and principal will be paid when due by the City to DTC, then paid by DTC to the Participants and thereafter paid by the Participants to the Beneficial Owners.

Section 5. The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form:

(Form of Bond)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF IOWA
JOHNSON COUNTY
CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BOND, SERIES 2026

No. _____ \$ _____

RATE	MATURITY DATE	BOND DATE	CUSIP
_____ %	June 1, 20__	February 25, 2026	91428T _____

The City of University Heights (the "City"), in Johnson County, State of Iowa, for value received, promises to pay on the maturity date of this Bond to

Cede & Co.
New York, New York

or registered assigns, the principal sum of

THOUSAND DOLLARS

in lawful money of the United States of America upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at the office of UMB Bank, n.a., West Des Moines, Iowa (hereinafter referred to as the “Registrar” or the “Paying Agent”), with interest on said sum, until paid, at the rate per annum specified above from the date of this Bond, or from the most recent interest payment date on which interest has been paid, on June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing December 1, 2026, except as the provisions hereinafter set forth with respect to redemption prior to maturity may be or become applicable hereto. Interest on this Bond is payable to the registered owner appearing on the registration books of the City at the close of business on the fifteenth day of the month next preceding the interest payment date and shall be paid to the registered owner at the address shown on such registration books. Interest shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the Certificate of Authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Registrar.

This Bond is one of a series of General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026 (the “Bonds”) issued by the City to evidence its obligation under a certain loan agreement, dated as of February 25, 2026 (the “Loan Agreement”), entered into by the City for the purpose of paying the costs, to that extent, of (a) constructing street, water system, sanitary sewer system, sidewalk and storm water drainage improvements; and (b) acquiring and installing street lighting, signage and signalization improvements.

The Bonds are issued pursuant to and in strict compliance with the provisions of Chapters 76 and 384 of the Code of Iowa, 2025, and all other laws amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and in conformity with a resolution of the City Council adopted on February 10, 2026, authorizing and approving the Loan Agreement and providing for the issuance and securing the payment of the Bonds (the “Resolution”), and reference is hereby made to the Resolution and the Loan Agreement for a more complete statement as to the source of payment of the Bonds and the rights of the owners of the Bonds.

The City reserves the right to optionally prepay part or all of the principal of the Bonds maturing in each of the years 2034 to 2036, inclusive, prior to and in any order of maturity on June 1, 2033 or on any date thereafter upon terms of par and accrued interest. If less than all of the Bonds of any like maturity are to be redeemed, the particular part of those Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Registrar by lot. The Bonds may be called in part in one or more units of \$5,000.00.

If less than the entire principal amount of any Bond in a denomination of more than \$5,000.00 is to be redeemed, the Registrar will issue and deliver to the registered owner thereof, upon surrender of such original Bond, a new Bond or Bonds, in any authorized denomination, in a total aggregate principal amount

equal to the unredeemed balance of the original Bond. Notice of such redemption as aforesaid identifying the Bond or Bonds (or portion thereof) to be redeemed shall be sent by electronic means or mailed by certified mail to the registered owners thereof at the addresses shown on the City's registration books not less than 30 days prior to such redemption date. Any notice of redemption may contain a statement that the redemption is conditioned upon the receipt by the Paying Agent of funds on or before the date fixed for redemption sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Bonds called for redemption, and that if funds are not available, such redemption shall be cancelled by written notice to the owners of the Bonds called for redemption in the same manner as the original redemption notice was sent. All of such bonds as to which the City reserves and exercises the right of redemption and as to which notice as aforesaid shall have been given and for the redemption of which funds are duly provided, shall cease to bear interest on the redemption date.

This Bond is fully negotiable but shall be fully registered as to both principal and interest in the name of the owner on the books of the City in the office of the Registrar, after which no transfer shall be valid unless made on said books and then only upon presentation of this Bond to the Registrar, together with either a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar or the assignment form hereon completed and duly executed by the registered owner or the duly authorized attorney for such registered owner.

The City, the Registrar and the Paying Agent may deem and treat the registered owner hereof as the absolute owner for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal hereof, premium, if any, and interest due hereon and for all other purposes, and the City, the Registrar and the Paying Agent shall not be affected by any notice to the contrary.

And It Is Hereby Certified and Recited that all acts, conditions and things required by the laws and Constitution of the State of Iowa, to exist, to be had, to be done or to be performed precedent to and in the issue of this Bond were and have been properly existent, had, done and performed in regular and due form and time; that provision has been made for the levy of a sufficient continuing annual tax on all the taxable property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on this Bond as the same will respectively become due; and that the total indebtedness of the City, including this Bond, does not exceed any constitutional or statutory limitations.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the City of University Heights, Iowa, by its City Council, has caused this Bond to be executed with the duly authorized facsimile signature of its Mayor and attested with the duly authorized facsimile signature of its City Clerk, all as of February 25, 2026.

CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, IOWA

By: (DO NOT SIGN)
Mayor

Attest:

(DO NOT SIGN)
City Clerk

Registration Date: (Registration Date)

REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds described in the within-mentioned resolution.

UMB BANK, N.A.
West Des Moines, Iowa
Registrar

By: (Signature)
Authorized Officer

ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations, when used in this Bond, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM	- as tenants in common	UTMA _____ (Custodian)
TEN ENT	- as tenants by the entireties	As Custodian for _____ (Minor)
JT TEN	- as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common	under Uniform Transfers to Minors Act _____ (State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the list above.

ASSIGNMENT

For valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned assigns this Bond to

(Please print or type name and address of Assignee)

PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF ASSIGNEE

and does hereby irrevocably appoint _____, Attorney, to transfer this Bond on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution.

Dated: _____

Signature guaranteed:

(Signature guarantee must be provided in accordance with the prevailing standards and procedures of the Registrar and Transfer Agent. Such standards and procedures may require signatures to be guaranteed by certain eligible guarantor institutions that participate in a recognized signature guarantee program.)

NOTICE: The signature to this Assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears on this Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

Section 6. The Bonds shall be executed as herein provided as soon after the adoption of this resolution as may be possible and thereupon they shall be delivered to the Registrar for registration, authentication and delivery to or on behalf of the Underwriter, as determined by the City Council, upon receipt of the loan proceeds, (\$1,558,652.25) including the original issue premium (\$58,652.25), (the "Loan Proceeds"), and all action heretofore taken in connection with the Loan Agreement is hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects.

A portion of the Loan Proceeds (\$16,300.00) shall be retained by the Underwriter as the Underwriter's Discount.

A portion of the Loan Proceeds (\$1,519,237.25) received from the sale of the Bonds shall be deposited in a dedicated fund (the "Project Fund"), which is hereby created, to be used for the payment of costs of the Projects and to the extent that any such proceeds (the "Project Proceeds") remain after the full payment of the costs of the Projects, such Project Proceeds, shall be transferred to the Debt Service Fund for the payment of interest on the Bonds.

The remainder of the Loan Proceeds (\$23,115.00) (the "Cost of Issuance Proceeds"), received from the sale of the Bonds shall be deposited in the Project Fund, and shall be used for the payment of costs of issuance of the Bonds, and to the extent that Cost of Issuance Proceeds remain after the full payment of the costs of issuance of the Bonds, such Cost of Issuance Proceeds shall be transferred to the Debt Service Fund for the payment of interest on the Bonds.

The City shall keep a detailed and segregated accounting of the expenditure of, and investment earnings on, the Loan Proceeds to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, as hereinafter defined. The foregoing amounts may be modified as necessary by the City in its final closing certificate delivered at the time of closing on the Bonds.

Section 7. For the purpose of providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due, there is hereby ordered levied on all the taxable property in the City the following direct annual tax for collection in each of the following fiscal years:

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$201,000.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2027,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$185,000.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2028,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$184,800.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2029,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$184,400.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2030,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$183,800.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2031,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$183,000.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2032,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$187,000.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2033,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$185,600.00;

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2034,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$184,000.00; and

For collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2035,
sufficient to produce the net annual sum of \$187,200.00.

Section 8. A certified copy of this resolution shall be filed with the County Auditor of Johnson County, and the County Auditor is hereby instructed to enter for collection and assess the tax hereby authorized. When annually entering such taxes for collection, the County Auditor shall include the same as a part of the tax levy for Debt Service Fund purposes of the City and when collected, the proceeds of the taxes shall be converted into the Debt Service Fund of the City and set aside therein as a special account to be used solely and only for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds hereby authorized and for no other purpose whatsoever. Any amount received by the City as accrued interest on the Bonds shall be deposited into such special account and used to pay interest due on the Bonds on the first interest payment date.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 76.4 of the Code of Iowa, each year while the Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid, any funds of the City which may lawfully be applied for such purpose may be appropriated, budgeted and, if received, used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same become due, and if so appropriated, the taxes for any given fiscal year as provided for in Section 7 of this Resolution, shall be reduced by the amount of such alternate funds as have been appropriated for said purpose and evidenced in the City's budget.

Section 9. The interest or principal and both of them falling due in any year or years shall, if necessary, be paid promptly from current funds on hand in advance of taxes levied and when the taxes shall have been collected, reimbursement shall be made to such current funds in the sum thus advanced.

Section 10. It is the intention of the City that interest on the Bonds be and remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes pursuant to the appropriate provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury Regulations in effect with respect thereto (all of the foregoing herein referred to as the "Internal Revenue Code"). In furtherance thereof, the City covenants to comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code as they may from time to time be in effect or amended and further covenants to comply with the applicable future laws, regulations, published rulings and court decisions as may be necessary to insure that the interest on the Bonds will remain excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes. Any and all of the officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions as may be necessary to comply with the covenants herein contained.

The City hereby designates the Bonds as "Qualified Tax Exempt Obligations" as that term is used in Section 265(b)(3)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 11. The Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") has promulgated certain amendments to Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 C.F.R. § 240.15c2-12) (the "Rule") that make it unlawful for an underwriter to participate in the primary offering of municipal securities in a principal amount of \$1,000,000.00 or more unless, before submitting a bid or entering into a purchase contract for such securities, an underwriter has reasonably determined that the issuer or an obligated person has undertaken in writing for the benefit of the holders of such securities to provide certain disclosure information to prescribed information repositories on a continuing basis so long as such securities are outstanding or unless and to the extent the offering is exempt from the requirements of the Rule.

On the date of issuance and delivery of the Bonds, the City will execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Certificate pursuant to which the City will undertake to comply with the Rule. The City covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Certificate. Any and all of the officers of the City are hereby authorized and directed to take any and all actions as may be necessary to comply with the Rule and the Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

Section 12. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 13. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval, as provided by law.

Passed and approved February 10, 2026.

Upon motion by _____, and seconded by _____, the vote was as follows:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Dwyer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Herbold	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moore	_____	_____	_____	_____
Schroeder	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swailles	_____	_____	_____	_____

Upon Roll Call thus recorded, the Resolution is declared adopted this 10th day of February, 2026.

 Louise A. From, Mayor

ATTEST:

 Mike Haverkamp, City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 258

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 235 TO DISBAND
THE CITY'S CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD BASED
UPON CHANGES IN STATE LAW.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY
HEIGHTS, JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA:

PART I. FINDINGS:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of University Heights, Iowa, in 2019 adopted Ordinance No. 235, which prohibits racial and other profiling, provides for implicit-bias training, directs the collection and reporting of certain data, and establishes the Citizens' Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, since adoption of Ordinance No. 235, Iowa law has changed and now prohibits and precludes Cities from implementing and maintaining certain boards related to law enforcement oversight; and

WHEREAS, the City Council remains committed to the principles set forth in Ordinance No. 235 but desires to conform the terms of that Ordinance to the provisions, prohibitions, and dictates of State law; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator, Chief of Police, and City Attorney recommend that the City Council amend Ordinance No. 235 as set forth below.

PART II. AMENDMENTS:

Based upon these Findings, Ordinance No. 52 is amended as follows (additions are shown by underline, deletions by ~~strike-through~~, and omissions by "****"):

~~Section 4. Citizens' Advisory Board. Reserved.~~

- ~~1. The Council shall establish a citizens' advisory board to review complaints of profiling, discriminatory policing practices, and allegations of prohibited disparate treatment made against a law enforcement officer and to review the below-referenced data~~

~~collected by UHPD on an annual basis, to the extent the subsets of data are available to the public. The board shall be chosen by two city council members and the President, or his or her designee, of the local area NAACP and consist of the following persons, with a majority (2 out of 3) making the selection if it is not unanimous:~~

~~(a) a minimum of three (3) residents of University Heights;~~

~~(b) a resident or nonresident of University Heights who holds or held a position in law enforcement of no less than five (5) years; and~~

~~(c) a resident or nonresident of University Heights who is a member of the NAACP.~~

~~2. The Council shall decide what training is appropriate for board members chosen pursuant to Section 4, and the board members shall receive the training to continue serving on the board.~~

~~3. Not later than six months following the effective date of this Ordinance, the board shall propose to the University Heights City Council procedures to carry out the functions of the board pursuant to this Ordinance, including procedures, forms, and the public notice for persons to file complaints of profiling/discriminatory policing practices.~~

~~4. UHPD shall post information on the UHPD website explaining the above-referenced procedures, upon such procedures being adopted by Council.~~

~~5. Within 90 days of receiving a complaint, the board shall review and investigate complaints or refer the complaint to the NAACP.~~

~~6. Upon completion of the investigation, the board shall report a summary of the facts found by the board and its determination of recommended changes in procedure or other actions to the Council. If the stop or arrest appears to have been in violation of this Ordinance, the board shall provide a written determination of its findings to the Council. If the officer's conduct, performance, etc. is under review, the officer shall have the right to a closed session of the City Council, and shall have the protection of all other rights under UHPD and University Heights personnel policies and under Iowa law.~~

- ~~7. For complaints and investigations not individually reported to Council, the board shall compile a monthly report of all complaints received and investigated for profiling, disparate treatment, and discriminatory policing practice and submit the report to the Council by the time of the regular meeting each month. The report shall contain: (a) the number of meetings held by the board, (b) the number of complaints brought to the board, and (c) the number of complaints that resulted in a finding that there was police contact in violation of Section 3. No other information shall be disclosed in this report, and any additional information regarding the board's findings shall only be disclosed to the public or made a public record if required by Iowa law.~~
- ~~8. The board shall research and recommend training options to the Chief of Police for the Chief's consideration under Section 6, below.~~

Section 5. Data Collection and Analysis.

- ~~1. Not later than six months following the effective date of this Ordinance, the Chief of Police shall:
 - ~~a) direct the UHPD to collect data;~~
 - ~~b) update the UHPD policy and procedures department manual to require that the new data collection methods shall be utilized for all contacts as soon as reasonably possible following the contact;~~
 - ~~c) post the data compiled under this section on the City website and provide in the Chief's report to Council, each year or as otherwise directed by Council;~~
 - ~~d) maintain all data collected under this section for not less than five years;~~
 - ~~e) Provide for the protection of privacy of the persons whose data is collected in the following manner:
 - ~~1. Information released by the UHPD shall not provide individual names and identifying information about either the particular law enforcement officer(s) who made the stop or the person(s) stopped.~~
 - ~~2. UHPD shall not use or disclose the data collected under this Ordinance except pursuant to the purposes set forth in this Ordinance, and~~~~~~

~~subject to the limitations of this Section. Nothing in this section is intended to make any information part of a public record that is not required to be public pursuant to Iowa law.~~

2. UHPD shall collect data in relation to police contacts consistent with the data capabilities of the Iowa City Police Department as of the adoption of this Ordinance. Such data collection includes, but is not limited to, the following information:

- a) Age
- b) Gender
- c) Race/Ethnicity
- d) Residency
- e) Reason for contact
- f) Consent obtained
- g) Property searched
- h) Pat downs
- i) Search type
- j) Use of force
- k) Outcome
- l) Arrest outcome
- m) Arrest non-discretionary options
- n) Officer comments

Section 6. Training. The Chief of Police shall ensure training for himself and all officers on issues related to the prohibition of profiling and disparate treatment including implicit bias training; and on data collection and reporting methods. Every law enforcement officer must participate in two annual trainings pursuant to this Section. The Chief has discretion to decide the specific training, and the Chief shall report the training chosen to the Council on an annual basis. ~~The NAACP is anticipated to provide these two trainings each year that would fulfill the requirements of this provision.~~

PART III. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of University Heights, Iowa, on this ___ day of _____, 2026, and approved this his ___ day of _____, 2026.

Louise A. From, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Mike Haverkamp, City Clerk

STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

On the ___ day of _____, 2026, before me, a notary public in and for the state of Iowa, personally appeared Louise A. From, Mayor, and Mike Haverkamp, Clerk of the City of University Heights, Iowa, to me personally known, and who, being by me duly sworn, did say that they are the Mayor and City Clerk, respectively, of the City of University Heights, Iowa; that the seal affixed to this instrument is the corporate seal of the City; and that this instrument was acknowledged and sealed on behalf of the City, and that Louise A. From and Mike Haverkamp acknowledged the execution of this instrument to be their voluntary act and deed and the voluntary act and deed of the City, by it and by them voluntarily executed.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa

STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

I, Mike Haverkamp, being first duly sworn, certify that the above ordinance was published in the Iowa City Press-Citizen the ___ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Haverkamp

Signed and sworn to before me on the _____ day of _____, 2026, by Mike Haverkamp, Clerk of the City of University Heights, Iowa.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa

UH - Ordinance 258 amending 235 to disband Citizens' Advisory Board

ORDINANCE NO. 259

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 52 REGULATING THE PLANTING, CARE, AND MAINTENANCE OF TREES AND SHRUBBERY UPON AND ADJOINING PUBLIC PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, JOHNSON COUNTY, IOWA:

PART I. FINDINGS:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of University Heights, Iowa, created the City Tree Board by adopting Ordinance No. 190, amending Ordinance No. 52, in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City Tree Board as originally created and constituted comprises five (5) members; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Staff recommend that the City Council change the number of City Tree Board members to three (3).

PART II. AMENDMENTS:

Based upon these Findings, Ordinance No. 52 is amended as follows (additions are shown by underline, deletions by ~~strike-through~~):

Section 6. City Tree Board

1. **Creation and Establishment of a City Tree Board.** A City Tree Board is created and established. The Board shall consist of ~~five (5)~~ three (3) residents of the City who shall be appointed by the mayor.

PART III. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of University Heights, Iowa, on this ___ day of _____, 2026, and approved this his ___ day of _____, 2026.

Louise A. From, Mayor

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

Mike Haverkamp, City Clerk

STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

On the ___ day of _____, 2026, before me, a notary public in and for the state of Iowa, personally appeared Louise A. From, Mayor, and Mike Haverkamp, Clerk of the City of University Heights, Iowa, to me personally known, and who, being by me duly sworn, did say that they are the Mayor and City Clerk, respectively, of the City of University Heights, Iowa; that the seal affixed to this instrument is the corporate seal of the City; and that this instrument was acknowledged and sealed on behalf of the City, and that Louise A. From and Mike Haverkamp acknowledged the execution of this instrument to be their voluntary act and deed and the voluntary act and deed of the City, by it and by them voluntarily executed.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa

STATE OF IOWA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF JOHNSON)

I, Mike Haverkamp, being first duly sworn, certify that the above ordinance was published in the Iowa City Press-Citizen the ___ day of _____, 2026.

Mike Haverkamp

Signed and sworn to before me on the _____ day of _____, 2026, by Mike Haverkamp, Clerk of the City of University Heights, Iowa.

Notary Public in and for the
State of Iowa

City Administrator Summary Report – February 2026

Respectfully submitted by Troy Kelsay

Business and updates:

1. Melrose Av Complete Streets Project

- Ongoing work toward acquiring necessary rights-of-way and easements with the City Attorney's Office and the City Engineer.
- Detailed exterior/interior site review/discussion of 1000 Melrose Av to determine electrical needs with the City Engineer and property owner.
- *[written update provided by Blake Petersen and included with Engineer's Report]*

2. Winter Weather Items

Water main break. On February 2, water began flowing into/through Stella (1000 Melrose Av). On February 4, and only after bringing in a specialist and equipment from out-of-state, a broken main was located under the street in front of 1217 Melrose Av. To make repairs, water service was shutoff for several hours, affecting some residents on Melrose Av, Koser Av, and George St. The City of Iowa City is working with the property owner of 1000 Melrose Av for recompensation of damages and associated costs.

3. Compliance/Nuisance Issues

101 Highland Dr. We are continuing to work to address the remaining issues. The owner will be reimbursed for a 2-panel fence that was erected by the owner after consultation with city staff – the fence needs to be removed as it is in violation of ordinance and should not have been approved/allowed.
[no action taken in January]

4. OUP-S/N HOA

- OUP-S HOA Board meeting to discuss the following:
 - Replacement of wood siding. Decision made to replace all existing wood siding with a concrete faux board with costs assessed to owners as a special assessment – owners given the option of paying in installments. The Board inquired as to the City's plans for the green space outside of City Hall (currently the play area), and specifically the need/cost for replacement of the wood fence that currently is the same material/color as the building's siding; is the fence still desired or would the City prefer the space to be open, and if a fence/barrier is still wanted, is a different type preferred?
 - Proposed budget and related dues increase (~6%).
- General membership meetings for OUP-S.
 - Discussed siding replacement and special assessment, and the budget and dues increase.
 - The OUP-S commercial space owners present expressed dismay/frustration over rising costs of ownership, and voiced concern about sustaining a profitable business at this location.

5. Swisher Tract Trails Development.

- Bolton/Menk amended their agreement/contract with the City per our request. The amended agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney, and the City will execute the agreement. Bolton/Menk also updated the project timeline as indicated below:
 - Notice to Proceed: ~~January~~ February 2026
 - Project Initiation: ~~January~~ February 2026
 - Schematic Design (30% Submittal): ~~February~~ March 2026
 - Design Development (60% Submittal): ~~March~~ April 2026
 - Construction Documents: (90% Submittal): ~~April~~ May 2026
 - Final Design (100% Submittal): ~~May~~ June 2026
 - Bid letting: ~~June~~ July 2026
 - Contract award: Summer 2026

[The trail development has been designed as a phased project – the tentative timeline is predicated on the City choosing to do all phases at once, rather than spreading the phases over several years.]

- I discussed the proposed project with the City Manager of the City of Iowa City, specifically the ~24 acres of Board of Regent property that is within the Iowa City city limits, not University Heights. After conferring with his City Attorney, the Iowa City City Manager conveyed to me that the City of Iowa City had no concerns regarding any aspect of our development/maintenance of the proposed trail system (to include naming).

6. Tree Board

- Tree Board membership and term discussion.
This is a carryover item from last month's report and reduces the number of Tree Board members to three and reduces the term from five to three years.
*[From December 2025 report:
Tree Board membership and term discussion. I suggest that the Council consider reducing the membership requirement and length of appointment. I have spoken with the current board members, the Mayor, and the City Attorney regarding the merits of reducing the size of the Tree Board. Currently, the board is required to have five members, each serving a 5-year appointment. In practice, this has sometimes created logistical difficulties for the all-volunteer advisory board. A current board member suggested this, and after weighing the pros/cons, I think there is merit to the idea, especially since the current board has opted to meet so frequently. I very much appreciate such an engaged board; however, I also think it is a big ask of a person (let alone five people) for a volunteer position.]*
- The Board had directed me to check for grant funding through MidAmerican Energy's program, Trees Please! As the deadline for application was near, I completed an application. My application outlined a different community-involved site selection process with oversight by the Tree Board. While I hope that it will be well-received, it is different from what has been done in the past.
- The Spring Hike in UH Swisher Track with District Forester Mark Vitosh has been rescheduled for May 30, 2026, at 10am. This event is being organized by the Tree Board as part of the criteria for designation by the Arbor Day Foundation of University Heights as a Tree City, USA.

7. Citizens' Advisory Board

This is a carryover item from last month's report to make changes to the City Ordinance to align the ordinance with current State law and departmental practices.

[From December 2025 report:

I believe Council should consider modifying Ordinance 235 (UH Community Police Relations Ordinance) to reflect recent law changes made at the State level prohibiting police review boards. I do not suggest eliminating the existing ordinance as I think it was ground-breaking, and much of it still has merit/application. I only propose to modify (delete) the sections relating to the review board and annual reporting. This would bring the City in line with current state law and departmental practices while preserving substantive portions of the original ordinance which prohibits biased-based policing, requires demographic data collection by police, and mandates annual training for all officers on issues related to the prohibition of profiling and disparate treatment including implicit bias training.]

8. Items related to recent bonding

- Dorsey provided proceedings and related materials for review, adoption by Council, and execution to finalize the loan agreement and issuance of the General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2026.
- I asked our agent with Speer Financial about permitted/suggested short-term placement of bond revenue pending spenddown. She informed me that as a League of Cities member, University Heights had access to the services provided by the Iowa Public Agency Investment Trust [IPAIT], and I spoke with Paul Kruse of IPAIT. After speaking with Paul, and with the Mayor's consent, I asked Paul to briefly present to Council at tonight's meeting.

9. LRS – Refuse/Recycling

I received two complaints regarding uncollected items (bagged/tagged compost and appropriately tagged mattress). Although each resident tried to resolve their issue on their own by contacting the LRS call center, they found the out-of-state call-taker unable to assist. I contacted a regional supervisor who I have networked with previously, and he promised to contact a local supervisor to address the issues.

Meetings/events since the last regular Council meeting

- January 20. Metropolitan Planning Organization of Johnson County [MPOJC] – Transportation Technical Advisory Committee meeting.
- January 20. OUP-S HOA owner's meeting.
- January 27. Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management – Introduction to Substantial Improvement & Substantial Damage training.
- January 27. Special City Council meeting.
- January 29. MPOJC – Safe Streets & Roads for All committee meeting and review of Safety Action Plan.
- February 4. The Mayor and I met with Tom Cilek and Minda Hamann of West Bank regarding establishing a banking relationship with West Bank.
- February 4. Met with the eGovernment Chair regarding our domain provider, Google Workspace, the City's webpage, and related issues.
- February 4. Worked with the Mayor, an electrician, and the Chief of Police for installation of a wall monitor in the Council Chambers, and repair of the water dispenser.
- February 6. Detailed exterior/interior site review of 1000 Melrose Av with the City Engineer and property owner regarding electrical service changes associated with the Melrose Complete Streets Project.
- February 8. Requalification training.

Clerk's Report February 2026

Building Permits 2026

There have been no permits issued since the January council meeting.

Depository Resolution

Resolution 26-08 will be up for consideration. This stems back to the Annual City Exam, where John Olson noted it had been a while since the City had last passed a resolution for bank depositories. The upcoming name change for Midwest One Bank is also addressed with this update.

Housing Report from Brian Jensen

Rental Summary January 2026

Complaints and General Enforcement

1145 Melrose – trash left at curb

Rental Inspections

16 Olive – no violations noted

1212 Melrose – no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 201 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 202 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 203 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 204 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 205 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 206 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose - 207 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 208 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 209 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 210 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 211 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 301 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 302 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 304 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 305 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 306 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 307 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 308 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 310 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 311 - no violations noted

1300 Melrose – 312 - no violations noted

2 Leamer – missing smoke alarms in bedrooms, furnace filter needs replaced

RESOLUTION NO. 26-08

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AS OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES AND SPECIFYING LIMITS ON THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT MAY BE DEPOSITED AT EACH INSTITUTION.

RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of University Heights Iowa, approves the following financial institutions to be official depositories of the City in the maximum amounts specified:

- A. Hills Bank and Trust Company, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.
- B. MidWestOne Bank, Nicolet National Bank, or their successors in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.
- C. Wells Fargo Bank, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.
- D. West Bank, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.
- E. GreenState Credit Union, f/k/a University of Iowa Community Credit Union, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.
- F. Collins Community Credit Union, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00
- G. Two Rivers Bank & Trust, or its successor in interest, not more than \$500,000.00.

Upon motion by _____, and seconded by _____, the vote was as follows:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Dwyer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Herbold	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moore	_____	_____	_____	_____
Schroeder	_____	_____	_____	_____
Swailles	_____	_____	_____	_____

Upon Roll Call thus recorded, the Resolution is declared adopted this 10th day of February, 2026.

Louise A. From, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mike Haverkamp, City Clerk

UH Resolutions/Resolution 26-08 approving city depositories 02 10 26

CITY NAME: UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS - PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

CITY #: 52-491

The City Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year City property tax levy as follows:

Meeting Date: Meeting Time: Meeting Location:

At the public hearing any resident or taxpayer may present objections to, or arguments in favor of the proposed tax levy. After the hearing of the proposed tax levy, the City Council will publish notice and hold a hearing on the proposed city budget.

City Website (if available)

City Telephone Number

Iowa Department of Management	Current Year Certified Property Tax 2025 - 2026	Budget Year Effective Property Tax 2026 - 2027	Budget Year Proposed Property Tax 2026 - 2027
Taxable Valuations for Non-Debt Service	92,086,985	91,990,342	91,990,342
Consolidated General Fund	755,656	755,656	754,863
Operation & Maintenance of Public Transit	48,535	48,535	58,829
Aviation Authority	0	0	0
Liability, Property & Self Insurance	14,813	14,813	16,049
Support of Local Emergency Mgmt. Comm.	0	0	0
Unified Law Enforcement	0	0	0
Police & Fire Retirement	0	0	0
FICA & IPERS (If at General Fund Limit)	71,299	71,299	99,222
Other Employee Benefits	70,928	70,928	93,832
Capital Projects (Capital Improv. Reserve)	0	0	0
Taxable Value for Debt Service	113,312,907	113,249,528	113,249,528
Debt Service	0	0	0
CITY REGULAR TOTAL PROPERTY TAX	961,231	961,231	1,022,795
CITY REGULAR TAX RATE	10.43830	10.44926	11.11849
Taxable Value for City Ag Land	0	0	0
Ag Land	0	0	0
CITY AG LAND TAX RATE	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000
Tax Rate Comparison-Current VS. Proposed			
Residential property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$100,000/\$110,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Residential	495	545	10.10
Commercial property with an Actual/Assessed Valuation of \$300,000/\$330,000	Current Year Certified 2025/2026	Budget Year Proposed 2026/2027	Percent Change
City Regular Commercial	2,152	2,544	18.22

Note: Actual/Assessed Valuation is multiplied by a Rollback Percentage to get to the Taxable Valuation to calculate Property Taxes. Residential and commercial properties have the same rollback percentage through \$150,000 of actual/assessed valuation.

Reasons for tax increase if proposed exceeds the current:

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University Heights Police Department
Chris Akers, Chief of Police
chris.akers@uhpolice.org

Staff/Police Report to Council – February 10, 2026

1. Staff /Police Report to Council-

- A. We are currently staffed by myself and four full-time officers. February 2, 2026, Sergeant Schmerbach joined the department in a full-time status.
- B. Part time (as needed). The current UHPD roster includes four part-time officers.

2. Other items:

- A. All full-time employees have completed their conflict-of-interest forms
- B. Radars in all police vehicles were re-certified.

3. Meetings and Events:

- A. January 14, 2026, I met with city Council Member Moore regarding computer/email access.
- B. January 22, 2026, Johnson County Crimestoppers meeting.
- C. January 23, 2026, I met with state representatives regarding Johnson County crime statistics at the Johnson Count attorney's office.
- D. January 27, 2026, City Council meeting regarding budget.
- E. February 3, 2026, I met with Council Member Moore regarding website changes including updating Sergeant Schmerbach's role with the department and adding information pertaining to golf cart licensing to the city website.

4. Training:

- A. All officers were provided with the following Police Legal Sciences online training:
 - 1. Overview of the First Amendment rights of Freedom of Speech and Freedom of Assembly.
 - 2. First Amendment Protections for Criticism and Filming of Police.
 - 3. First Amendment "Auditors".
- B. Officers Yassin, Officer Jazvin, Sergeant Schmerbach and I attended MATS, our yearly in-service training.

Activity last month

a. **Calls-for service** – 669

- 911 call – 4
- Admin/fingerprints – 0
- Assist other agency – 15
- Alarm -
- Animal/call general - 1
- Assault - 0
- Burglary - 1
- Community policing – 4
- Dist/fight - 0
- Disturbance/civil dispute – 0
- Disturbance/noise – 0
- Escort/relay – 0
- Extra patrol request – 100
- Fire Response - 2
- Foot patrol – 1
- House check – 212
- Info – 2
- Juvenile – 0
- MVA/hit & run – 0
- Mental Impairment - 1
- MVA/property damage accident – 3
- Out for invest/follow up - 0
- Out with subject – 1
- Paper service/warrant – 2
- Phone request – 75
- Property/found – 0
- Public assist – 56
- Solicitor – 0
- Special Assignment - 0
- Suspicious activity/person/vehicle – 3
- Motorist assist – 2
- Parking – 10
- Radar – 0
- Reckless driver - 0
- Road hazard – 2
- School patrol – 26
- Traffic/enforcement – 2
- Work school crossing – 65
- Traffic stop – 69
- Trespass - 0
- Unknown Problem – 0
- Vehicle Unlock - 0
- Walk-in – 10
- Welfare check – 3
- Medical – 1

b. **Enforcement Summary**

- Arrests – 4
- Charge/release – 1
- Traffic Citations – 12
- Traffic Warnings – 57

Activity year end 2025

- **Calls-for service** – 6142
- 911 call – 53
- Admin/fingerprints – 24
- Assist other agency – 1113
- Alarm - 6
- Animal/call general - 40
- Assault - 1
- Burglary - 0
- Community policing – 60
- Dist/fight -3
- Disturbance/civil dispute – 1
- Disturbance/noise – 11
- Escort/relay – 4
- Extra patrol request – 1398
- Fire Response - 6
- Foot patrol – 5
- House check – 971
- Info – 4
- Juvenile – 1
- MVA/hit & run – 5
- Mental Impairment - 2
- MVA/property damage accident – 15
- Out for invest/follow up - 13
- Out with subject – 30
- Paper service/warrant – 7
- Phone request – 588
- Property/found – 11
- Public assist – 532
- Solicitor – 0
- Special Assignment - 3
- Suspicious activity/person/vehicle – 36
- Motorist assist – 20
- Parking – 307
- Radar – 10
- Reckless driver - 18
- Road hazard – 11
- School patrol – 332
- Traffic/enforcement – 10
- Work school crossing – 188
- Traffic stop – 1180
- Trespass - 03
- Unknown Problem – 4
- Vehicle Unlock - 13
- Walk-in – 77
- Welfare check – 14
- Medical – 38

- **Enforcement Summary**
- Arrests – 67
- Charge/release – 7
- Traffic Citations – 172
- Traffic Warnings – 1008
- OWI arrests – 15
- Iowa DOT inspections - 364

MEMORANDUM

TO: University Heights, Mayor, Council, and Staff
FROM: Ryan Foley, P.E.
DATE: February 9, 2026
RE: City Engineer Report – February 2026

(1) Melrose Complete Street Project

- a. The design team's monthly progress report is attached for reference.

(2) MS4 City Storm Sewer Permit

- a. The City has a permit with the Iowa DNR related to the operation and maintenance of the storm sewer system in University Heights (drains, street intakes, storm sewer piping). The permit requires an annual report submitted on February 28th each year that provides brief updates on any storm sewer related work that occurred the previous year. We will have the report submitted to the DNR by the end of the month.

(3) RRFBs at Sunset & Oakcrest

- a. The pole and RRFB equipment submittals were submitted, reviewed and returned to the contractor just after approval of the contract at the January Regular Council Meeting. These materials have been ordered by the contractor.
- b. We received an invoice from City of Iowa City for the right-of-way permit. Permit fee is \$50 and there is a \$100 refundable deposit for the permit. We coordinated with the City Treasurer to get this invoice paid online.
- c. *[January 10th Meeting]: We applied for a permit to work in the right-of-way to City of Iowa City for the installation of the RRFB on the east side of Sunset Street which is in Iowa City's jurisdiction.*

(4) Melrose Avenue Panel Replacements (East of Sunset Street)

- a. This project was included in the FY25/26 Streets and Sidewalks Budget, and the intent of the project is to repair surface damage to the pavement on Melrose that does not require full reconstruction during the Melrose Complete Streets Project.
- b. We sent a review set of plans to the Mayor and City Administrator to provide an update of the anticipated traffic control and detour during this work. We also sent the review plan set to the City of Iowa City to coordinate any underground utility work on sanitary sewer or water main. Plans will be updated as needed to include any utility work that Iowa City would like performed in coordination with this patching project.



(5) Sidewalk Inspection Program

- a. We will issue the sidewalk documents for quotation in the next two weeks with the intent to have quotations due the end of March and to award the contract at the April Council Meeting.
- b. The contract schedule will be set up so the sidewalk replacements cannot begin until June 8th, which coincides with ICCSD end of the school year. Work will be required to be completed prior to the start of school in August.

(6) 28E Agreement with Iowa City for Streets and Sidewalks

- a. The City Administrator and I met with City of Iowa City Public Works and Streets Department personnel to review updating and formalizing a 28E Agreement for streets and sidewalk work at or around the shared municipal boundaries. Based on this discussion, we will update exhibits and the division of responsibility matrix this month.

(7) Miscellaneous Items

- a. We reviewed and responded to a request from MPOJC to update the long-range planning projects and costs. There were no significant updates to the projects included in the long-range plan since the last update in 2022, but we updated estimated construction costs and estimated timelines for construction.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about these or any other items.
RMF

MEMO

TO: City of University Heights
Mayor, City Council, and Staff

FROM: Blake Peterson, PE

DATE: February 9, 2026

RE: Progress Report – February 2026
Melrose Avenue Complete Street Improvements Project

Shive-Hattery Progress:

- Ongoing progress on advancing project design
 - Adding detail and refinement to plan sheets
 - Modifications to added parking spaces at commercial based on feedback from owner
- Onsite meeting with commercial property owner to review electric service relocation impacts to building
- Sent information to City Council requesting feedback on lighting and retaining wall options
- Met with utility companies to discuss relocation needs along corridor for overhead to underground relocation

Shive-Hattery Action Items:

- Advance project design
 - Continue refinement of overall project design and plan sheets
 - Continue lighting design layout and fixture selection
 - Finalize design for proposed retaining wall product and locations/heights
- Coordinate with utility companies and City of Iowa City for utility relocation planning
 - Continue coordination with commercial building owner on electrical engineer's recommendations for sizes of relocated electric services – develop drawings for necessary work to be bid
 - Continue ongoing discussions with communications utilities for overhead to underground relocation
 - Send draft plan set to City of Iowa City for review and coordination with Iowa City utilities
- Continue land acquisition coordination
 - Finalize plats for right-of-way and easement acquisition areas, coordinate with impacted property owners
 - Finalize easement agreement language in coordination with City Attorney's office

Please feel free to contact me with any questions relating to these items or to the overall project.

BTP





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Liesa Moore, eGovernment Chair

- Chief Akers and I worked together to update the [Police Services](#) pages. Sergeant Schmerbach is now listed in the [UHPD directory](#).
- I updated personnel and term dates for the [Boards and Commissions](#).
- [Notify Me®](#) subscribers will receive reminders a few days in advance of 2026's two curbside refuse collection schedule changes:
Wednesday, [May 27](#) (due to Memorial Day)
Wednesday, [September 9](#) (due to Labor Day)
- Information about the February 4 water service disruption was on the website for the day.
- The website's [Resource Directory](#) has addresses and phone numbers useful to residents, such as the Iowa City Water Division's number for water emergencies.
- Residents who wish to report City-related concerns may use the online form in [Citizen Request Tracker®](#).