

March 10, 2026

Proceedings of the City Council of University Heights, Iowa, held at the Community Center, 1302 Melrose Avenue, subject to approval by the Council at a subsequent meeting. All votes are unanimous unless otherwise stated.

COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor From called the March 10, 2026, regular meeting of the University Heights City Council to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Mayor Louise From. Council Members: Mackenzie Dwyer, Nick Herbold, Liesa Moore, Tim Schroeder. Staff present: City Administrator Troy Kelsay, City Attorney Steve Ballard, City Clerk Mike Haverkamp, Engineer Ryan Foley, Police Chief Chris Akers, City Treasurer Jon Brown via Zoom, City Financial Consultant Steve Kuhl.

Absent: Council Member Doug Swailes.

Also present: Mandi Remington, Greg Stiltner.

The minutes of the February 10 regular council meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

Public Comments: The following addressed the council with their concerns: Greg Stiltner of the Marriott Hotel announced that a new restaurant replacing The Bistro will open in June.

Legal Report: A written report was presented.

Motion by Moore, seconded by Dwyer, to approve second consideration of Ordinance No. 258, amending Ordinance No. 235 to conform Community Police Relations Ordinance to changes in State law.

Carried.

Dwyer	Aye	Schroeder	Aye
Herbold	Aye	Swailes	Absent
Moore	Aye		

Motion by Moore, seconded by Schroeder, to approve second consideration of Ordinance No. 259, amending Ordinance No. 52 to reduce the number of members of the Tree Board from 5 to 3 and to reduce the term of office from 5 years to 3.

Carried.

Dwyer	Aye	Schroeder	Aye
Herbold	Aye	Swailes	Absent
Moore	Aye		

Motion by Moore, seconded by Dwyer, to approve Resolution No. 26-08 approving financial institutions as official depositories and specifying limits on the maximum amount that may be deposited at each institution.

Carried.

Dwyer	Aye	Schroeder	Aye
Herbold	Aye	Swailes	Absent
Moore	Aye		

Motion by Moore, seconded by Dwyer, to approve Resolution No. 26-11 specifying authorized signatories on City financial accounts.

Carried.

Dwyer	Aye	Schroeder	Aye
Herbold	Aye	Swailes	Absent
Moore	Aye		

City Administrator’s Report: A written report was presented.

Clerk’s Report: A written report was presented.

Treasurer’s Report: A written report was presented. All bills were approved for payment by unanimous consent.

Warrants
February 11, 2026 – March 10, 2026

NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Akers, Christopher M	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	3031.95
Jazvin, Edis	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	1981.48
Schmerbach, Adam P	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	1371.08
Van Brogen, Matthew D	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2574.16
Yassin, Rafeek J	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2166.41
Akers, Christopher M	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	3031.95
Cox, Nicholas J	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	138.51
Dahm, Ryan J	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	157.82
Jazvin, Edis	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2168.19
Macke, Matthew C	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	713.80
Schmerbach, Adam P	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2436.91
Tucker, Darryl J	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	58.91
Van Brogen, Matthew D	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2244.06
Yassin, Rafeek J	Bi-Weekly Officer Paycheck	2706.24
Jensen, Brian A	Monthly Rental Inspector Paycheck	1069.03
Brown, Michael J	Monthly City Treasurer Paycheck	346.13
WELLMARK	Health Insurance	6715.65
IPERS	IPERS Contributions	6763.92
Internal Revenue Service	Federal 941 Payroll Taxes	9409.72
Internal Revenue Service	Federal 941 Payroll Taxes	1381.10
MidAmerican Energy	Community Center Utilities	475.12
MediaCom	Online Service	399.95
Terry Goerd	January Building Inspection Services	2000.00
Louise From	Reimbursement for Letters	104.23
Hawkeye Construction	January Snow Removal	9972.43
Office of Auditor of State	Annual Exam Filing Fees for 2023 & 2024	350.00
Russ Boyer Construction	Maintenance	1460.00
Kieck's Career Apparel	Ballistic Vest	1641.00
Johnson County Refuse, Inc.	February Garbage/ Recycling Service	8473.40
Resultant	Workspace Business Renewal License	1071.00
Shive Hattery	February Engineering Services	20,543.60
Dorsey & Whitney LLP	2025-26 GO Bond Services	13,500.00
IAMU	Water Dues & Research Assess for 2026-7	843.00
Iowa City Press-Citizen	Publishing Minutes December - February	522.80
Leff Law Firm, L.L.P.	February Legal Services	9912.50
Galls LLC	Police Uniforms	77.00
AT&T Mobility	Wireless Service for Police Car	308.44
City of Iowa City	Bus, Animal and Trash/Recycling Services	6223.59
Visa	Car Wash, Google Suite, Grasshopper, Amazon	1742.15
MidAmerican Energy	Street Lights	593.78
Speer Financial	Service for issuance of bonds	8715.00
UMB Bank NA	Bond Administration Fees	300.00
General Fund - \$116,607.66	Employee Benefits Fund - \$13,479.57	Road Use Tax - \$593.78
Capital Projects - \$23,865.50	Debt Service - \$ 9015.00	
Total Receipts - \$80,723.75	Total Warrants - \$163,561.51	

Finance: City Financial Consultant Steve Kuhl reviewed the FY27 budget timeline and highlighted increases in the budget for FY27. Council will hold three special meetings on March 31: a public hearing on the proposed tax levy, to discuss the FY27 budget, and to set a public hearing for adoption of the full budget.

Community Protection: Chief Akers presented a written report.

Streets and Sidewalks: Engineer Foley presented a written report.

Building, Zoning, Sanitation: The rental housing inspector submitted a written report.

eGovernment: Council Member Moore presented a written report.

Announcements:

Leaf vacuuming is scheduled for April 6. Details are on the City website.

Curtis Schoenthaler will be overseeing the City Garden on Melrose Avenue this year. This project does not receive any City funding. Donations are appreciated.

The meeting was adjourned **by unanimous consent at 8:14 p.m.**

Attest: Michael Haverkamp, City Clerk

Approved: Louise A. From, Mayor