

PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL
May 18, 2026

A regular meeting of the mayor and council of the City of Columbus, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on May 18, 2026, at 6:01 p.m. in the Columbus Community Building, Community Room, 2500 14 Street, Columbus, Nebraska. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Columbus Telegram on April 29, 2026, with a copy of the proof of publication being on file in the office of the city clerk. Notice of this meeting was given simultaneously to the mayor and members of the city council, with a copy of the acknowledgment of receipt of notice being on file in the office of the city clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the mayor and city council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

1. **STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS ACT:** Mayor Bulkley announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room. Present were Mayor James Bulkley and Council Members Cynthia Alarcón, Charlie Bahr, Troy Hiemer, Rich Jablonski, AJ Palensky, Prent Roth, and Ron Schilling. Council Member Kat Lopez was absent and excused. City staff members included City Attorney Neal Valorz, City Administrator Tara Vasicek, Director of General Services Betsy Eckhardt, City Clerk Shuraya Choat, City Engineer Rick Bogus, Public Works Director Chuck Sliva, Police Captain Jaymee Levander, Chief Building and Code Official Andy Woehrer, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator Jean Van Iperen, and Communications Manager Matt Lindberg.
2. **PRAYER:** Hiemer led in prayer.
3. **NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The National Anthem was played and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:** The following items are considered to be routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a city council member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from consent status and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The items on the consent agenda were approved as presented with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Bahr. Alarcón, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent.
 - 4.A. **Minutes of May 4, 2026, City Council meeting.**
 - 4.B. **Reappointments of Jeffrey C. Johnson, Connie Hellbusch, and Bryan Chochon to the Citizen's Advisory Review Committee for four-year terms.**
 - 4.C. **Bid from Central Sand and Gravel for one-year supply of gravel in the amount of \$32.47 per cubic yard if delivered or \$26.33 per cubic yard if picked up.**
 - 4.D. **Resolution No. R26-70 approving Lease to Hangar Aircraft with BJ Aviation LLC. (Board of Airport Commissioners recommends approval.)**

Resolution No. R26-70 is entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING LEASE TO HANGAR AIRCRAFT WITH BJ AVIATION LLC FOR HANGAR NO. 1240SE AT COLUMBUS MUNICIPAL AIRPORT.

4.E. Finance department report.

4.F. Payroll and bills on file. B=Bnd Pymnts; CP=Capt'l Proj; E=Expns; G=Grnts; I=Insrnc; L=Lic; M=Mbrshp; P=Pymt; R=Rfnd; RT=Rent; S=Srcv & Supp; T=Trng; 5/22/26 payroll 906,801.61; 7M Cleaning 450.00 S; 911 Custom 3,670.00 S; A to Z Msgng 148.50 S; Ace Hdwr 857.10 S; Addept Media 60.00 S; Advnc Auto 179.22 S; Ag Spray Equip 78.82 S; All Star Auto 788.32 S; Amrcn Red Crss 384.00 T; AOI Corp 1,208.18 S; Aqua-Pure 9,820.24 S; Arnold Mtr Sup 551.93 S; AT&T 2,865.99 S; Auxiant 266,817.59 I; Beatrice Pub Lbry 13.76 S; Behlen Twng 1,800.00 S; Benchmark Gvrnmt 382.45 S; A Benesch 3,636.00 CP; BergankDV 28,400.00 S; Black Hills 2,713.41 S; Bound Tree Med 701.60 S; B Chochon 15,791.52 G; Canine Dev Grp 140.00 S; Casey's Mail Serv 5,913.74 S; Cntrl Pgrms 2,644.24 S; CVA 931.26 S; Chrome N Steel 615.00 S; City of Col 4,884.29 S; City-County Comm 400.00 M; Clay Hills Ag 1,178.50 S; Club Prophet 517.00 S; CNC Rpr 2,994.11 S; Col Chamber 1,040.00 S; CCH 2,273.51 S; Col Crdt Ser 241.32 S; Col Fam Rsrc Ctr 11,491.30 RT; Conner Psych Serv 1,568.90 S; Core & Main 5,647.44 S; CPPD 496.28 S; Culligan 332.00 S; D & K Prod 898.00 S; Dnls Prod 5,408.80 S; DEMCO 92.63 S; Dwny Drllng 48,918.00 S; D Dunbar 22,398.13 P; J Dunn 246.79 E; Eakes 632.32 S; EBSCO 1,780.40 S; Elctrnc Engrng 583.04 S; Envisionware .05 S; Fastenal 494.40 S; H Fiala 120.25 E; FNBO 27,565.61 S; Frontier 2,406.59 S; Frontline Cnslng 500.00 S; Galls 473.55 S; Gehring Const 1,039.03 S; G Steffy Ford 228.64 S; Gnrl Trffc Cntrls 390.00 S; Gerhold Cncrt 225.95 S; Godfather's 134.00 S; Grt Plns Comm 1,506.26 S; Hach 539.37 S; Hawkins 4,390.77 S; HDR 16,749.00 CP; Hrtlnd Ntrl Gas 3,207.84 S; Hrtlnd Clnrs 535.00 S; Hobby Lobby 43.89 S; Holiday Inn 1,100.00 S; Hotsy Equip 276.60 S; M Howerter MD 1,303.75 S; Hy-Vee 216.96 S; Indstrl Rpr Serv 420.00 S; Island Sup 62.00 S; Izaguirre Rntls 6,500.00 G; Jackson Serv 2,387.06 S; JEO 6,188.75 CP; J Bittner & S Terry 1,200.00 R; Jones & Brtlt Lrng 955.69 S; Jones Auto 902.50 S; J David De Leon 200.00 S; Kelly Sup 364.43 S; Kirkham Michael 28,352.64 CP; Koch Excvtng 537.11 S; Lacal Equip 939.66 S; Lakeview Small Eng 92.65 S; Language Ln Serv 255.91 S; P Laska 72.21 E; Lncln Jrnl Str 1,197.07 S; Lncln Wnwtr Wrks 4,147.48 S; Loup 100,647.32 S; Macqueen Equip 806.95 S; Madison Pub Schl 170.00 S; Mailbox 155.93 S; Menards 3,440.18 S; Mdwst Alarm 540.00 S; Mdwst Lab 1,587.00 S; Mdwst Tape 523.21 S; Mdwst Turf 1,320.64 S; Mike's Twng 2,100.00 S; Motion Ind 713.42 S; Napa Auto 776.31 S; Naughton Ind Serv 300.00 S; NE Fire Sprnklr 470.00 S; NE Golf & Turf 560.00 S; NE Hrvstr 1,654.58 S; NE Law Enf 432.00 S; NE Survey Rep 15.00 S; Nippon Sanso Matheson 335.37 S; Norfolk Daily News 625.00 S; NE NE Slid Wste 71,716.39 S; NWEA 600.00 T; Occ Health 3,860.00 S; Olson's Pest 578.00 S; One Call Cncpt 464.50 S; One Source 1,271.00 S; O'Reilly 162.15 S; Overdrive 990.00 S; Paper Tiger 38.00 S; Pete Lien 8,736.23 S; Petty Cash 216.59 S; PGA of America 664.00 M;

Phenova 720.73 T; Platte Cnty 4,267.54 S; Platte Cnty Reg of Dds 34.00 S; Port-A-Johns 450.00 S; Preferred Plmbng 24.92 S; Price Chopper 1,762.89 S; Principal Life Ins 13,070.50 I; Provantage 719.00 S; Psychlgcl Res 750.00 S; Quadiant 1,000.00 S; Reardon Lawn 53.98 S; Rensenhous 1,489.31 S; Rvrsd Prtbls 110.00 S; C Rogers 51.65 R; Sackett Elctr 507.77 S; Sapp Bros 19,740.15 S; Schieffer Sgns 675.00 S; G Sealock 900.00 S; Scrty Equip 672.00 CP; Scrty Shredding 200.00 S; Shrwn Wllms 30.98 S; Shvln Sup 710.55 S; Shirts R Us 216.00 S; Sipple, Hansen, 9,002.10 S; SRF Cnsltng 5,441.32 CP; Starfish Aqctcs 100.00 S; Starguard Elite 840.00 T; State Dept of Rev 63,326.36 P; Super Svr 31.40 S; Sysco 8,518.12 S; The Fltr Shop 955.10 S; The Glf Shp 3,378.37 S; Tire Outlet 930.00 S; TK Elevator 272.17 S; Tractor Sup 78.98 S; Trane U.S. 738.00 S; Tritch Sftwr 135.00 S; Truck Cntr 1,255.04 S; True Ag & Turf 137.59 S; Twin Rvrs Vet 256.94 S; Ty's Outdoor 180.52 S; UPS 44.99 S; USA Blue Bk 191.98 S; C Van Dyke 175.00 S; Vandenberg Elec 1,377.30 S; Wahoo Heritage Inn 197.94 S; Waste Conn 691.53 S; Waterprk Spec 4,675.00 S; World Trade Press 735.84 S; Wunderlich's 15,000.00 G. Total \$1,863,903.24.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Included in Consent Agenda

6. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

6.A. **Proclamation declaring the week of May 17, 2026, as National Public Works Week.** The mayor read the proclamation and thanked the staff in the Public Works department for all they do.

7. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

7.A. **Public hearing - Application from Advanced Consulting Engineering Services on behalf of Keyes Development, LLC for final plat of Sock Pond Addition (14th Street west of 48th Avenue). (Planning Commission recommends approval.)** Vasicek provided baseline facts regarding the final plat for Sock Pond Addition, clarifying that annexation only applies to the land within the addition and does not include the four existing lots in K&S Subdivision. She explained that the roadway through K&S Subdivision will consist of a 24-foot-wide street with an abutting four-foot-sidewalk on the north side, all centered within the existing 40-foot-right-of-way, and no on-street parking will be allowed until the road transitions to the city standard width of 33-feet with 4-foot sidewalks on each side, all within the proposed development of Sock Pond Addition. The developer will fund all 14th Street concrete paving from 48th Avenue through K&S Subdivision to the cul-de-sac, along with extensions of water and sewer infrastructure. Vasicek noted that the reduced roadway width is unique to this subdivision and is justified due to the limited right-of-way width and previous special use permits that allowed structures to be built closer to the roadway. John Zwingman, Advanced Consulting Engineering Services on behalf of the applicant, explained the plat is substantially consistent with the preliminary plat approved on April 6, 2026, and noted that residents' preferences regarding sidewalk placement will be considered during street design. He further explained that water and sewer

infrastructure will extend from 48th Avenue through Sock Pond Addition and storm sewer inlets will be routed through two filtration systems before entering Sock Pond. Zwingman also noted that the developers will do their best to preserve the existing tree line. Karen Blaser, 4829 14 Street, proposed an alternative traffic route to alleviate traffic and safety concerns. The public hearing closed with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Alarcòn. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

7.A.1. Public hearing - Determine whether Sock Pond Addition should be included within the corporate city limits. (Planning Commission recommends approval.) The public hearing closed with a motion by Schilling and a second by Palensky. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

7.A.2. Resolution No. R26-71 approving final plat, development agreement, and bringing said addition into the corporate city limits. Resolution No. R26-71 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, ACCEPTING THE DEED OF DEDICATION TO A PARCEL OF LAND LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: LOTS 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, AND 12, K&S SUBDIVISION, LOCATED IN THE NE1/4, SE1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 17 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA; HEREINAFTER TO BE KNOWN AS SOCK POND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA; APPROVING THE PLAT THEREOF; APPROVING INCLUSION OF SAID PLAT INTO THE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS; AND APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AND KEYES DEVELOPMENT, LLC, WHICH SETS FORTH THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES INCLUDING THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF SAID OWNER/SUBDIVIDER WITH RESPECT TO SAID ADDITION; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO SERVE THIS ADDITION was adopted with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

7.B. Public hearing - Application from Keyes Development, LLC to rezone property located in Lots 1-32, Sock Pond Addition Original City of Columbus, Platte County, Nebraska from "R-1" (Single Family Residential) to "R-2" (Two-Family Residential) and to amend the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan (14th Street west of 48th Avenue). (Planning Commission recommends approval.) Katie Sharp, attorney on behalf of the applicant, explained that rezoning from "R-1" to "R-2" would allow the developer to construct (16) two-unit townhomes resulting in a total of 32 units. The units will be stick built with approximately 1482 square feet of living space and each featuring three bedrooms, two bathrooms, no basement, and attached two-car garage. It was noted that some of the units

will be zero entry. She also clarified that the engineer of record completed traffic calculations for the area, estimating a maximum of approximately 256 vehicles per day. According to the Board of Classification Standards and the Columbus Land Development Ordinance, local city streets are intended to accommodate between 250-1000 vehicles per day, placing 14th Street well within the standards for a local street designation. Karen Blaser, 4829 14 Street, expressed concerns regarding the proposed rezone stating that the addition of 32 units would increase traffic volume in the area. The public hearing closed with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Alarcòn. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

7.B.1. Ordinance No. 26-09 approving rezoning. The rules were suspended and Ordinance No. 26-09 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE COLUMBUS LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, ZONING CHAPTER, PASSED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 18, 2024, AS THE ZONING CODE FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, BY ORDINANCE NO. 24-32, AND AS AMENDED THEREAFTER, TO REZONE AND RECLASSIFY THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, TO-WIT LOTS 1-32, SOCK POND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, CONTAINING 7.56 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, FROM THE PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF "SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL" (R-1) TO "TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL" (R-2); TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP WHICH HAVE BEEN ADOPTED AND MADE A PART OF SAID CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TO SHOW SAID REZONING AND RECLASSIFICATION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE was read by number only with a motion by Jablonski and a second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent. Ordinance No. 26-09 was adopted with a motion by Jablonski and a second by Alarcòn. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

7.C. Public hearing - Application from Keyes Development, LLC to rezone property located in Lots 1-12, Block A and Lots 1-7, Block B, Dubas Addition, Original City of Columbus, Platte County, Nebraska from "R-1" (Single Family Residential) to "R-2" (Two-Family Residential) and to amend the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan (Habitat Drive and 44th Avenue). (Planning Commission recommends approval.) Sharp explained that rezoning from "R-1" to "R-2" would allow the developer to construct (9) two-unit townhomes, resulting in a total of 18 units. The homes will be stick built with approximately 1482 square feet of living space and each

featuring three bedrooms, two bathrooms, no basement, and attached two-car garage. The public hearing closed with a motion by Hiemer and a second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent.

7.C.1. Ordinance No. 26-10 approving rezoning. The rules were suspended and Ordinance No. 26-10 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE COLUMBUS LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, ZONING CHAPTER, PASSED AND ADOPTED NOVEMBER 18, 2024, AS THE ZONING CODE FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, BY ORDINANCE NO. 24-32, AND AS AMENDED THEREAFTER, TO REZONE AND RECLASSIFY THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, TO-WIT: LOTS 1-12, BLOCK A, AND LOTS 1-7, BLOCK B, DUBAS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FROM THE PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF “SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL” (R-1) TO “TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL” (R-2); TO AMEND THE ZONING MAP AND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP WHICH HAVE BEEN ADOPTED AND MADE A PART OF SAID CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TO SHOW SAID REZONING AND RECLASSIFICATION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE was read by number only with a motion by Bahr and a second by Hiemer. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent. Ordinance No. 26-10 was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Palensky. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent.

8. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None

9. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES: Finance department report included in Consent Agenda

9.A. Update on Nebraska Department of Transportation Loup River South Bridges project. Bogus reported that consistent progress is being made and the project remains on schedule for Fall 2027 completion.

9.B. Columbus in Focus - Building and Infrastructure. Sliva presented on behalf of the Building and Infrastructure Leadership Group which includes Bogus, Woehrer, Sliva, and Vasicek. He provided a 90-day update for the engineering, public works, and community development departments.

10. REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

10.A. Public Property, Safety, and Works Committee - May 18, 2026.

10.A.1. Request from Keyes Development, LLC to vacate 14th Street public road right-of-way and all public utility easements located in Lots 3 through 12,

K&S Subdivision as they will be in conflict with Sock Pond Addition (14th Street west of 48th Avenue and west of existing houses) The committee recommended approval. The report was adopted with a motion by Schilling and second by Hiemer. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

10.A.2. Permanent utility easement located along 33rd Avenue for North Well No. 20 project. The committee recommended approval. The report was adopted with a motion by Hiemer and second by Alarcòn. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

11. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None

12. REPORTS ON LEGISLATION: None

13. NEW BUSINESS:

13.A. Appointment of Quelbin Izaguirre to the Citizen's Advisory Review Committee for four-year term. The mayor's appointment of Quelbin Izaguirre to the Citizen's Advisory Review Committee was ratified with a motion by Jablonski and second by Roth. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

13.B. Comments from mayor and city council members. Bulkley reminded the public that he will be at the Columbus Public Library on Saturday, May 23, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., as part of "Open House with the Mayor".

14. RESOLUTIONS:

14.A. Resolution No. R26-72 approving permanent utility easement located along 33rd Avenue for the North Well No. 20 project. Resolution No. R26-72 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING A 10-FOOT-WIDE PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR UTILITY PURPOSES LOCATED IN THE NW1/4 SECTION 6, T17N, R1E, OF THE 6TH P.M., PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SW CORNER NW1/4 SECTION 6, T17N, R1E, OF THE 6TH P.M., PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA AND ASSUMING THE WEST LINE OF THE NW1/4 OF SAID SECTION 6, TO HAVE A BEARING OF N 0°03'49" W; THENCE N 0°03'49" W AND ON SAID WEST LINE 200.02 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF COLUMBUS; THENCE S 89°19'08" E AND ON SAID SOUTH LINE 33.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 0°03'49" W AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE SAID NW1/4, 1544.32 FEET TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF COLUMBUS; THENCE S 89°51'00" E AND ON SAID NORTH LINE 10.00 FEET; THENCE S 0°03'49" E AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE SAID NW1/4, 1544.41 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF COLUMBUS; THENCE N 89°19'08" W AND ON SAID

SOUTH LINE, 10.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 0.35 ACRES MORE OR LESS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH was adopted with a motion by Schilling and second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

14.B. Resolution No. R26-73 accepting Deed of Dedication for McDonald Subdivision (33rd Avenue south of Weil Drive). (Planning Commission recommends approval.) Resolution No. R26-73 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, ACCEPTING THE DEED OF DEDICATION TO A PARCEL OF LAND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN PART OF OUTLOT 5, OF THE ORIGINAL CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT 1, OUTLOT 6, THENCE N 88°40'00" W, A DISTANCE OF 200 FT. TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUING N 88°40'00" W, A DISTANCE OF 250.47 FT. TO THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF 33RD AVENUE, THENCE SOUTH S 00°03'00" W A DISTANCE OF 122 FT., THENCE S 89°40'00" E, A DISTANCE OF 250.5., THENCE N 00°00'00" E, A DISTANCE OF 117.65 FT., TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. HEREINAFTER TO BE KNOWN AS MCDONALD SUBDIVISION TO THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA was adopted with a motion by Hiemer and second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

14.C. Resolution R26-74 authorizing the mayor to sign the letter of funding commitment to the United States Department of Transportation for the Safe Streets and Roads for All Implementation Grant application. Bogus explained this is a request for federal grant funding to assist with improvements along the Howard Boulevard corridor. If approved, the grant would cover 80 percent (80%) of the project costs. He noted that completion of the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) study now qualifies the City to apply for SS4A implementation grants, which would not have been possible without first completing the federal prerequisites. Resolution No. R26-74 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE LETTER OF FUNDING COMMITMENT TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE SAFE STREETS FOR ALL (SS4A) IMPLEMENTATION GRANT OF THE HOWARD BOULEVARD AND DOWNTOWN CORRIDORS, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH was adopted with a motion by Palensky and second by Schilling. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

- 14.D. Resolution No. R26-75 amending award of Community Development Block Grant funds to the amount of \$30,000 to Yonni Izaguirre for downtown revitalization.** Van Iperen noted that the original grant application, which included window replacements, was rejected by the State Historical Society. As a result, Mr. Izaguirre obtained revised bids for the compliant replacement windows, which significantly increased overall project costs. Resolution No. R26-75 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF PROCEEDS IN THE AMENDED AMOUNT OF \$30,000 FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT NO. 23-DTR-003 TO YONNI IZAGUIRRE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT BOARD, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS REFERENCE; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY was adopted with a motion by Roth and second by Jablonski. Alarcón, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent.
- 14.E. Resolution No. R26-76 approving loan assumption agreement with Valley Drive Properties, LLC regarding economic development loan with K Herman Development, LLC for work force housing development projects.** Van Iperen explained that the City had originally entered into an LB840 loan agreement with K Herman Development, LLC; however, following the disbursement of funds and commencement of construction activity related to the Vitality Village homes, K Herman passed away. Since that time, ownership and responsibility for the Vitality Village project has been transferred to his son. Mr. Herman, member of Valley Drive Properties, LLC, will now be assuming responsibility for repayment of the LB840 loan and compliance with all associated terms and requirements related to the project. Resolution No. R26-76 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, APPROVING A LOAN AUSSUMPTION AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY DRIVE PROPERTIES, LLC REGARDING THE CITY’S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LOAN WITH K HERMAN DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR WORK FORCE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, A COPY OF SAID AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE SAME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTION THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH was adopted with a motion by Alarcón and second by Hiemer. Alarcón, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted “Aye” and none voted “Nay”. Lopez was absent.
- 14.F. Resolution No. R26-77 amending City of Columbus Recognition Program.** Resolution No. R26-77 entitled: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AMENDING THE CITY OF COLUMBUS RECOGNITION PROGRAM TO REMOVE ANNUAL AWARDS AND ADD A “LIFE SAVER” AWARD; A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY THIS

REFERENCE; AND TO REPEAL ALL RESOLUTIONS OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH was adopted with a motion by Jablonski and second by Bahr. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

15. ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

15.A. Ordinance No. 26-11 vacating 14th Street public road right-of-way and all public utility easements located in Lots 3 through 12, K&S Subdivision (14th Street west of 48th Avenue and west of existing houses) The rules were suspended and Ordinance No. 26-11 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, TO VACATE THE 40-FOOT PUBLIC ROAD RIGHT OF WAY AS PLATTED WITHIN K&S SUBDIVISION ADJACENT TO LOTS 3-12 AND CERTAIN EASEMENTS IN LOTS 3-12 AND CERTAIN 4-FOOT AND 5-FOOT UTILITY EASEMENTS IN LOTS 3-12 OF K&S SUBDIVISION, COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA was read by number only with a motion by Bahr and a second by Palensky. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent. Ordinance No. 26-11 was adopted with a motion by Bahr and a second by Hiemer. Alarcòn, Bahr, Hiemer, Jablonski, Palensky, Roth, and Schilling voted "Aye" and none voted "Nay". Lopez was absent.

16. ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING:

16.A. Ordinance No. 26-08 amending city code section 50.35 to add regulations regarding handling of solid waste. Vasicek noted that additional changes were included to clarify how violations will be enforced. On its second reading, Ordinance No. 26-08 entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA, AMENDING COLUMBUS CITY CODE (ORDINANCE NO. 24-01) SECTION 50.35 OF CHAPTER 50 OF TITLE V, TO ADD REGULATIONS REGARDING HANDLING OF SOLID WASTE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS ORDINANCE IN PAMPHLET FORM was read by number only.

17. ORDINANCES ON THIRD READING: None

18. PAYROLL AND BILLS ON FILE: Included in Consent Agenda

19. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

20. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Presented and approved this 1st day of June 2026.

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