



CITY OF CLEAR LAKE

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February 7, 2014

HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

City
Administrator
SCOTT
FLORY

The Clear Lake City Council will conduct a **special** City Council meeting c Monday, **February 10, 2013**, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at City Hall. Please refer to the attached agenda for the items discussed below.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

DANA
BRANT
Ward 1

ITEM #6A. **FY 15 Municipal Budget proposal.** The proposed tax rate for the City of Clear Lake for the 2015 fiscal year, which begins July 1, 2014, and end June 30, 2015, is \$10.54/\$1,000 of taxable valuation. This marks the 4th consecutive year that the City's tax rate has remained unchanged, since the \$0.50/\$1,000 of taxable valuation rate increase in FY 12 made necessary as the result of the voter-approved \$2.3 million general obligation bond referendum for the fire station building project. Prior to FY 12, the tax rate had remained unchanged at \$10.04/\$1,000 of taxable valuation for five (5) consecutive fiscal years. Once again, Clear Lake will feature one of the lowest tax rates in Iowa for cities with a population of greater than 5,000 in population.

TONY
NELSON
Ward 2

The taxable valuation for FY 15 (1/1/13) continues the positive trend of growth in the Community. The taxable valuation for FY 15 is \$501,810,176, which is a 2.8% increase from FY 14. The proposed FY 15 budget reflects total expenditures among the various programs of \$14,827,906; of which \$7.2 million is directed towards operations & maintenance; \$6.4 million towards capital; and \$1.25 million towards debt service. The remaining schedule for budget consideration is as follows:

JIM
BOEHNKE
Ward 3

MIKE
CALLANAN
At Large

GARY
HUGI
At Large

February 17th

City Council adopts a "preliminary" budget and sets a public hearing date for March 3rd.

February 19th

Notice of public hearing is published in the newspaper.

March 3rd

Conduct public hearing and adopt a final budget



March 15th

Certify budget to County Auditor.

ITEM #6B. **Consolidated Urban Renewal Area Plan**. The Council will review for an additional time and conduct a public hearing necessary to approve an amendment to the "Clear Lake Consolidated Urban Renewal Area Plan". The proposed amendment is necessary to comply with provisions of House File 2460 adopted by the State legislature in 2012, requiring Urban Renewal Plans to be amended or modified to reflect any new urban renewal project. The Plan is being amended to reflect a potential new economic development project on Lots 6 & 7 in the Luker Memorial Industrial Park.

In November, 2003, the Clear Lake City Council adopted the "Downtown Urban Renewal Area Plan". In March, 2004, the City Council consolidated the following urban renewal areas: Apple Valley Urban Renewal Area; Downtown Urban Renewal Area; Industrial Expansion Urban Renewal Area; and the Northwest Urban Renewal Area, into the "Clear Lake Consolidated Urban Renewal Area". In May, 2007, the Council amended the "Clear Lake Consolidated Urban Renewal Plan" to include an area known as the Larry Luker Memorial Industrial Park.

On January 23, 2014, the Council adopted a Resolution setting the date for a public hearing on the proposal to once again amend the City's Consolidated Urban Renewal Area Plan. Council then directed city staff to prepare the final draft of the proposed amendment for consideration at a special Council meeting on February 10th. Notice of the public hearing was published, on January 29th, in the newspaper, as required by law.

A consultation process was conducted with the affected taxing entities, as required by Chapter 403.5 of the Code of Iowa. Prior to the meeting, the affected taxing entities were mailed copies of the proposed amendment and notice of the public hearing. The required consultation meeting was held on January 27th.

The previously adopted Ordinances providing for division of taxation and the separation of incremental taxes authorized by Iowa Code Section 403.19 remain unaffected by this proposed amendment. The City of Clear Lake's current outstanding general obligation debt is \$4,929,500 and its applicable constitutional debt limit is \$41,000,000.

Smart Quote: "**History is the unfolding of miscalculation.**" -- Barbara W. Tuchman, American historian

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about any of the agenda items.

Scott Flory
City Administrator

TENTATIVE AGENDA
CLEAR LAKE CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL – 15 N. 6TH STREET
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014
CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SPECIAL MEETING
6:30 P.M.

1. Call To Order by Mayor Nelson P. Crabb.
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Citizen's opportunity to address the Council on items not on the agenda:
 - In conformance with the City Council's Rules of Procedure, no action can occur on items presented during the Citizens Forum.
 - Please walk to the lectern, state your name (spell last name), address, and subject of your discussion.
 - Speakers are limited to a maximum of five (5) minutes per person.

4. Unfinished Business:

5. New Business:

A. FY 2015 Municipal Budget proposal:

- Review by Scott Flory, City Administrator.
- Discussion and questions by City Council.

B. Clear Lake Consolidated Urban Renewal Area Plan:

- Review by Scott Flory, City Administrator.
- Public Hearing.
- **Motion** to close public hearing by City Council.
- Discussion and consideration of **Motion** by City Council.
- **Motion** to approve **Resolution #14-15**, “A Resolution to approve 2014 Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Clear Lake Consolidated Urban Renewal Area.”
- Discussion and consideration of **Motion** by City Council.

7. Mayor’s Report:

- 13th Annual Color-the-Wind Kite Festival February 15th.
- Appointment of interim Police Chief (subject to Council approval).

8. Other Business:

9. Adjournment.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 17, 2014