

Mayor  
NELSON P. CRABB  
August 29, 2025

HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

City Administrator  
STEVEN DIERS  
The next regular meeting of the Clear Lake City Council is scheduled for Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, at 12 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at City Hall. Please refer to the attached agenda for the items discussed below:

COUNCIL  
MEMBERS

MARK  
EBELING  
Ward 1

**ITEM #6A. Automated License Plate Reading (ALPR) Cameras - Purchase:** At the August 18<sup>th</sup> council meeting Chief Colby presented on the ALPR Cameras. The camera purchase was budgeted in our current FY26 budget and as Chief Colby explained, FLOCK is offering a discount of free installation of equipment and setup (savings of \$6k-\$7k) if we approve an agreement by the end of September 2025. Total cost would then be approximately \$34,000 paid annually for 11 cameras. The ALPR cameras will be used for identifying license plates only and used for such cases as finding missing individuals and vehicles.

BENNETT  
SMITH  
Ward 2

**ITEM #6B. Purchase of Front-End Wheel Loader/Public Works.** Enclosed is quote summary for front end wheel loaders that Jeremy Korenberg has obtained. Three requests were made and two bids received, one from Murphy Tractor & Equipment- Waterloo, IA (John Deere) = \$224,500 after trade and one from Zeigler Cat Mason City (Cat) = \$251,152.70 after trade. Titan Machinery, Des Moines (CASE) did not provide a quote. We recommend moving forward with the **John Deere for \$224,500**. Budgeted amount for purchase is \$315,000 for FY26. Piece traded in will be the 2003 Case 621.

BETH ANN  
SCHUMACHER  
Ward 3

CREIGHTON  
SCHMIDT  
At Large

**ITEM 12 – City Administrator Report – Discussion/Review of Fire Chief Transition Plan –** Enclosed is the letter of resignation from FD Chief Doug Meyers. As you are aware Doug is planning to retire after serving 50 years as a fire fighter and 26 of those years as chief. Doug's last day as chief will be January 5, 2026. Doug has also presented a plan for transitioning the department into new leadership and suggested modifications to operational structure. The key points of that being the establishment of a Part-Time EMS Captain position to serve as "Co-EMS Service Director". As you may know Doug has extensive experience in both Fire Services and EMS Services, which has been quite a benefit to the city. The incoming Fire Chief does not have that level of expertise in EMS, and given the complexity of providing EMS services, which are the majority of our calls, it would be very beneficial to have someone in a role to assist in supervising EMS. The recommendations are to 1) Create an EMS Captain position as a part-time position to serve under the Fire Chief but be there to help manage EMS; 2) look to promote an existing FT paramedic into this role where they could serve in this capacity but also work their regular paramedic shift. This position would then be compensated with a slightly higher hourly wage and a stipend; 3) speaks to maintaining the current organizational structure. Chief Meyers will be present on Tuesday to walk through this discussion

DANA  
BRANT  
At Large

CITY OF CLEAR LAKE

★ Steve Diers  
CLEAR LAKE City Administrator

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following governmental body will meet at the date, time, and place herein set out. The tentative agenda for said meeting is as follows:

TENTATIVE AGENDA  
CLEAR LAKE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY HALL – 15 N. 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025  
NOON

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Nelson P. Crabb
2. Approval of Agenda.
3. Approval of Consent Agenda, including the following:
  - A. Approval of City Council meeting minutes of August 18, 2025.
  - B. Approval of the bills & claims.
  - C. Approval of fall Large Item “Drop-off” October 9<sup>th</sup> (8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.); October 10<sup>th</sup> (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.); and October 11<sup>th</sup> (8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) at the Public Works Site, 1419 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave S. and “curbside” **appliance only** pickup for October 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - D. Approval of proposal from Veenstra & Kimm to conduct a Surf District Traffic Study in an amount not-to-exceed \$15,000.
  - E. Appointment of Creighton Schmidt to the North Iowa Cultural Center & Museum Board of Directors as the City representative.
  - F. Licenses & Permits:
    - Cigarette Permit:** Mega Saver, (new).
    - Liquor License:** Class C Retail Alcohol License, Lake View Pub, (new); Class E Retail Alcohol License, Mega Saver, (new); Class C Retail Alcohol License, Rumorz Bar & Grill, (new).
    - Tree Trimmer’s License:** Reaper Tree Service, (new).
4. Citizens opportunity to address the Council on items **not** on the agenda:
  - In conformance with the *City Council’s Rules of Procedure and Iowa Open Meetings law*, no action or discussion 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.
5. Unfinished Business:

6. New Business:

A. Purchase of Automated License Plate Reading (ALPR) Cameras from FLOCK Safety:

- Introduction and review of request by Mike Colby, Chief of Police.
- **Motion** to approve agreement with FLOCK Safety for the purchase of Automated License Plate Reading (ALPR) Cameras.
- Discussion and consideration of **Motion** by City Council.

B. Purchase of Front-End Wheel Loader for the Public Works Department:

- Review of competitive quotes by Jeremy Korenberg, Public Works Director.
- **Motion** to approve purchase of front-end wheel loader from Murphy Tractor & Equipment in the amount of \$224,500 by City Council.
- Discussion and consideration of **Motion** by City Council.

7. Chief of Police's Report:

8. Public Works Director's Report:

9. City Engineer's Report:

10. Director of Finance & Administrative Services Report:

11. Mayor's Report:

12. City Administrator's Report:

- Discussion/Review of Fire Chief Transition Plan

13. Motion to Adjourn.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING –MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.

This notice is given pursuant to Chapter 21.4(1) of the Code of Iowa and the local rules of said governmental body