



CITY OF LANSING
Council Chambers
800 1st Terrace
Lansing, KS 66043

COUNCIL AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 15, 2018
7:00 P.M.

WELCOME TO YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular meetings are held on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7 pm and are televised on Cable Television Channel 2 on Monday 7 pm, Tuesday 10 am & 7 pm, Friday 5 pm, Saturday 1 pm and Sunday 7 pm.

Any person wishing to address the City Council, simply proceed to the microphone in front of the dais after the agenda item has been introduced and wait to be recognized by the Mayor. When called upon, please begin by stating your name and address. A time designated "Audience Participation" is listed on the agenda for any matter that does not appear on this agenda. The Mayor will call for audience participation. Please be aware that the city council and staff may not have had advance notice of your topic and that the city council may not be able to provide a decision at the meeting. If you require any special assistance, please notify the City Clerk prior to the meeting.

Call To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of Minutes

NEW BUSINESS:

Audience Participation

Presentations:

2. Arbor Day Proclamation

Council Consideration of Agenda Items:

3. Charter Ordinance 1-2018 – Lansing Community Library
4. Ordinance No. 966 – Re-zone Request 15915 Eisenhower Road

Reports:

Department Heads: City Attorney; City Engineer; City Administrator; Councilmembers

Proclamations:

5. Fair Housing Month

Other Items of Interest:

6. Department Vehicle and Equipment Mileage Reports

Adjournment



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City Administrator's Report

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Agenda Items:

An Arbor Day proclamation is on the agenda. This is one of the criteria for Lansing to retain our Tree City USA recognition. A ceremonial tree will be planted at City Hall on April 5th at 10am.

The Library has submitted Charter Ordinance No. 1-2018 for the agenda Thursday evening. This charter ordinance ensures proper accreditation. Charter ordinances require a super-majority of the governing body. Additionally, the Mayor votes on charter ordinances, as well.

The proposed rezone for 15915 Eisenhower Road (SW corner of Eisenhower & New Lawrence) from B-3 (commercial business) to Agriculture was formally recommended 6-0 by the Planning Commission. The current use of the property has been mostly consistent with when the property was originally annexed into the City, which is residential with some livestock. The property owner plans on constructing a new home on the property due to the existing residence being within the County's Eisenhower Road widening project, but was unable to construct a new home in a B-3 zone. This will be on the Council's agenda for March 15th.

Mr. Ricketts has not submitted a No Rise Certificate from Department of Water Resources (DWR) to the City, so the rezoning request is not on the agenda for Thursday evening. Once we receive the approved No Rise Certificate from DWR, we will schedule the rezone on the agenda and re-inform citizens who expressed interest in the application.

Wastewater:

The design engineer for Wastewater Master Plan Project #1 continues to work on plans, and are waiting for the aerial photography from Leavenworth County GIS. WWMP#1 is the project that would go through Twin Oaks and Great Life to upsize sewer lines to accommodate future growth in the Eisenhower Crossings area.

Engineering proposals for Master Plan Project #4 were due on March 9th. The selection committee will review and rank the proposals later in March. This is the project to upsize smaller lines to accommodate future growth north of Fairway Estates.

Two cleaning crews continue to work through the neighborhoods. Upcoming locations include the Meadows, Hillbrook, Fawn Valley, Rock Creek, Southern Hills, and areas in between. Maps showing the areas are posted to the website, and staff deliver door hangers to each property ahead of the work.



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Library:

The Library's statistics have been submitted to the State Library. We had another year of growth. Our patron visits increased by 11%, with a total of 38,774 people coming through the doors. Program attendance for all ages increased by 30% with 3,491 people attending programs. We had 48,487 print and media items checked out of the library, which was an 11% drop. However, we did see a 265% increase in the digital checkout and streaming of digital materials, equating to 2,111 digital items checked out or streamed. Public access computers and Wi-Fi usage increased 93% with 23,251 people using the library's technology.

The Friends of the Lansing Library group has scheduled a fundraiser at IHOP for the summer reading program on March 26th from 4pm-10pm. The Paint & Sip fundraiser on March 30th at the Community Center has sold out!

Community & Economic Development/March 29 Work Session:

We have four items on the March 29th work session; of note, we may discuss a policy to waive permit fees and wastewater fees for new home construction in existing subdivisions in Ward One. Staff views this as a way to help create new construction and clean up neighborhoods in older parts of town. Additionally, several months ago we discussed the Transient Guest Tax rebate to local hotels. I have spoken with the two businesses who regularly apply for this rebate that the project may sunset and neither business expressed concern. Eliminating the guest tax rebate to hotels frees up funds for other potential projects. We will also discuss recognition signs along K7 and possibly moving the Mayor's Christmas Tree to a different location at the work session.

Staff is working with the President of the Historical Society to ensure both the City and LHS are on the same page with operations at the museum. We look forward to working with the Historical Society and their volunteers to continue our great museum. If any council members would like to volunteer to be the liaison to the LHS, please let me know.

Meetings & Announcements:

Parks & Recreation Director Jason Crum has been working hard on the Highland Park playground improvements. We have a bid packet ready for submission and are currently planning a community meeting with the neighborhood to talk about the improvements. Final approval of any improvements would go before the council in the next 2-3 months.

Spring is around the corner and many residents will be doing some spring cleaning. To assist in this endeavor, Leavenworth County is holding the Annual Clean Up at the Leavenworth County Transfer Station on E. Gilman Road for all Leavenworth County residents. The Clean Up will run from Saturday, April 14 and will conclude on Saturday, April 28. Residents are allowed to



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take one (1) load per household to the Transfer Station during this time at no cost. Residents must bring their driver's license with current residency to verify they are a resident of Lansing and/or Leavenworth County. If your driver's license does not reflect your residency, you may bring your current month's city of Lansing sewer and trash bill. Transfer Station officials will verify and record this information to ensure every household receives one (1) load at no cost. Any trip to the Transfer Station after the one time free drop off will be the responsibility of the resident. **LANSING RESIDENTS ONLY:** If you are disabled or age 65+, you may call Lansing City Hall at 913-727-3036 by Wednesday, April 18th to make an appointment to have your items picked up curbside.

We currently have openings on the Tree Board, Board of Zoning Appeals, Planning Commission, Library Board, and for the Cheerleading Commissioner on P.R.A.B.!

Staff is coordinating with CoreCivic and the Department of Corrections for a meeting to discuss the new correctional facility in Lansing. We are tentatively looking at April 19th for a discussion about the new facility.

- Thursday, March 15 City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Wednesday, March 21 Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, March 29 City Council Work Session, 7:00pm, City Hall
 - Misc Eco Devo policies, Christmas Tree, Recognition Signs
- Thursday, April 5 City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Friday, April 6-7 Citywide Garage Sale
- Saturday, April 14-28 Countywide Clean Up, Leavenworth County Transfer Station
- Wednesday, April 18 Planning Commission Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall
- Thursday, April 19 City Council Meeting, 7:00pm, City Hall

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Vandall